The International Society for the Comparative Study of Civilizations

Our 50th Anniversary Conference
Bucharest, Romania
June 25 to 28, 2020

ISCSC:

Mission: To provide means of cooperation among all persons interested in the advancement of the comparative study of civilizations.

Vision: Civilizations matter.

Goal: To achieve scholar recognition as the primary source of knowledge and wisdom on the comparative study of civilization.


The 50th ISCSC Conference will be held at the Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University in Bucharest, Romania, June 25 to 28, 2020.
Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University

Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University is one of the largest private universities in Romania, Europe. Professor Momcilo Luburici Ph.D., and Professor Corina Dumitrescu, Ph.D., the founders of Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University, have steadily financially and energetically supported this private academic entity so as to be included among the elite higher education institutions in the world. They also chose to name this university after Oimitrie Cantemir, the 18th century Prince philosopher, a representative scholar of the Enlightenment and member of Berlin Academy of Sciences over the educational and scientific research diligence, as the spiritual figure of the University.

Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University has its main headquarters in Bucharest and branches in Cluj-Napoca and Timisoara for faculties dedicated to law and economic studies. The eight faculties in Bucharest offer undergraduate and graduate programs: The Faculty of Legal and Administrative Sciences, The Faculty of Tourism and Commercial Management, The Faculty of International Economic Relations, The Faculty of Finance, Banking and Accountancy, The Faculty of Marketing, The Faculty of Education Sciences, The Faculty of Communication Sciences, and The Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures (programs for 10 foreign languages: English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Turkish, Japanese, Russian, Chinese, Arabic, and Korean (as an optional language).

Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University boasts of the following technical facilities: 12 modern amphitheaters (with 200 seats) equipped with all the multimedia facilities: video projector, screen, sound system, Wi-Fi access, sockets for portable equipment; 5 IT laboratories equipped with computers, interactive SMART boards and educational software; portable video projectors, laptops that can be used by the teaching staff and students; a reading room equipped with computers with access to the library databases; Microsoft Office 365 free access for teachers and students; an integrated audio-video conference system, a web platform that offers the possibility of live webcasting of the outgoing events within the University; an internal television station that was launched as a channel that allows teachers, students and university visitors to be aware of the latest educational or cultural-artistic events that took place in the university, as well as the possibility of broadcasting live events to the monitors throughout the campus of the university; Internet access with a 100MB guaranteed band, Wi-Fi coverage of the campus; a relaxation area with Wi-Fi access. Overall, there are 2742 seats in amphitheaters and laboratories.
Research activity

The scientific research activity at Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University is organized on two levels, namely:

• 14 research centers organized within each faculty according to the specificity of each faculty, the themes of the courses, the didactic, pedagogical, informational, innovative, and especially cognitive needs.

• 3 research institutes at the university level: The Institute for Multidisciplinary Scientific Research, The International Institute for Human Rights, and The Institute of History and Cantemirian Studies.

In accordance with the Scientific Research Strategy 2014-2020, Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University promotes and supports excellence, interdisciplinarity and competition in this field. The scientific research activities are carried out on the basis of partnerships with national and international academic, business and social representative institutions.

The scientific research activity of Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University also includes the provisions of corresponding editorial activities, supported by the publication of the research outcomes in volumes with national and international prestigious publishing houses and in the 17 internationally databases indexed scientific (on line and printed) journals.

Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University excels in organizing conferences, round tables and various scientific events. In this regard, economics and law fields are in a privileged position. The tradition of organizing conferences every year, the themes with a large cultural and academic horizon has stretched over the last two decades in the life of this high educational institutions. Here are some of the privileged scientific events of the university:

• International Conference on "European Culture on Human Rights. The Right to Happiness" (6 consecutive editions).
• International Conference on "Dimitrie Cantemir's Works - A Foundation of the Romanian Unitary State" (8 consecutive editions);
• International Conference on "Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunities - NEDES" (12 consecutive editions);
• International Conference on Culture of Peace and Sustainable Development in Education, as part of the Chaire UNESCO - Culture des droits de l'homme et education au developpement durable dans l'enseignement prescolaire et primaire, hosted by Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University (5 consecutive editions);
• International Conference on "Japan: Pre-modern, Modern, and Contemporary" (5 consecutive editions);
• International Conference on "Mapping Cultural Identities: Translations and Intersections," May 25-26, 2018
• International Conference on "Black Sea Regional Cooperation: Opportunities and Challenges," November 2-3, 2017

The hundreds of people who attended these successive international conferences over time, presented a significant number of scientific works which were published in volumes, as well as in the Dimitrie Cantemir Christian University "Cogito" and "Euromentor" scientific reviews, dedicated to the events.
Suggested trips

Romania lies in the South-East of Central Europe and borders Hungary in the North-West, Serbia in the South-West, Bulgaria in the South, the Black Sea in the South-East, Ukraine in the East and North and the Republic of Moldova in the East. Roughly the size of Oregon, Romania is the second largest country in the area, after Poland. Situated halfway between the Equator and the North Pole, Romania is the 12th largest country in Europe. Romania's territory features splendid mountains, beautiful rolling hills, fertile plains and many rivers and lakes. The Carpathian Mountains lie in the center of the country, bordered on both sides by foothills, and finally the great plains of the outer rim. Forests cover over one quarter of the country and the fauna is one of the richest in Europe. The legendary Danube River ends its eight-country journey at the Black Sea, after shaping the Danube Delta, one of the largest and most diversified wetlands in the world. About a third of the country consists of the Carpathian Mountains. Rich hills and plateaus with orchards and vineyards make up another third. The final third is a fertile plain, largely devoted to agriculture.

Bucharest, the capital, is a lively city with lots of greenery, cultural and tourist attractions, among which the House of Parliament (the second largest building in the world), the Romanian Atheneum - a Concert Hall, the Village Museum, the Romanian Peasant's Museum and other museums and palaces.

One day (suggested) trip to the mountains (2 hours away from Bucharest)

Peleș Castle, built during King Carol's reign, is a Neo-Renaissance castle in the Carpathian Mountains, near Sinaia, in the Prahova County, Romania, and it was inaugurated in 1883. Its architectural style is a romantically inspired Neo-Renaissance and Gothic Revival blend.

Azuga is another mountain resort in the Prahova Valley having the Rhein Cellars as an attraction and the Romanian wines are famous worldwide. In this area the wine tourism started to develop together with Halewood Winery, where the tourists can taste the delicious sparkling wine made by the traditional method used in Champagne.

Lunch

Cantacuzino Castle from Buteńi was built and inaugurated in 1911 at the wish of Prince Gheorghe Grigore Cantacuzino (also known as "the Nabob", Prime Minister of Romania between 1899-1900 and 1904-1907). Its great architectonic, historic and artistic value really impresses all the visitors.