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Main research fields

Philosophy

Education

2002–2011 PhD in Religious Studies at École Pratique des Hautes Études, Paris
Title: *Damascius et l'aporétique de l'ineffable. Récit de l'impossible discours*

2000–2008 PhD in Philosophy at the University of Bucharest
Title: *Neoplatonismul ca aporetică. Damascius*

Professional experience

2019–present: Researcher at the Institute for South-East European Studies

2015–present: Associate professor at the University of Bucharest, MA Program for Religious Studies

2011–2019: Researcher at the Institute for Philosophy “Alexandru Dragomir”, Romanian Society for Philosophy

2010–2011: Researcher at the Translation Center *Traditio* of the University “Alexandru Ioan Cuza”, Iași

Research projects and grants

2017–2019: member in the research team of the PCE project: “Theories of divination in Late Antiquity and Early Byzantium (2nd–7th centuries),” at the Institute for Philosophy “Alexandru Dragomir” / Romanian Society for Philosophy

2015–2017: project director of the UEFISCDI research grant “Self-Constitution and Discursive Mediation in Late Neoplatonism,” at the Institute for Philosophy “Alexandru Dragomir” / Romanian Society for Philosophy

2013–2016: member in the research team of the UEFISCDI project: “Theories and Practices of Prayer in Late Antiquity – 2nd–6th centuries,” at the Institute for Philosophy “Alexandru Dragomir” / Romanian Society for Philosophy

2013–2015: project director of the research grant: “Neoplatonic Heritages in the Corpus Dionysiacum,” at the Institute for Philosophy “Alexandru Dragomir” / Romanian Society for Philosophy

Fellowships

2011–2012: POSDRU post-doctoral fellowship, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca

2002–2005: Doctoral fellowship of *Agence Universitaire de la Francophonie*, Paris, EPHE

Prizes

2020: Prize Reinach de l'Association des Études grecques

Professional service (membership)

Editorial board of *Chora. Revue d'études anciennes et médiévales: philosophie, théologie, sciences*

International Plato Society

International Society for Neoplatonic Studies

Romanian Society for Byzantine Studies

Publications

Books (monographs, critical editions)

Damascius et l'ineffable. Récit de l'impossible discours. Paris, Vrin, 2019.

Dincolo de ființă. Neoplatonismul și aporiile originii inefabile, Buchares, Zeta Books, 2011.

Edited books

Marilena Vlad and Adrian Sandu (eds.), *Memorie și temporalitate. De la Platon la Derrida*. Bucharest, Zeta Books, 2006, 237 p., ISBN 978-973-87980-7-6.

Articles in journals

“Socrates’ Apology and the Philosophical Art of Divination: the Delphic Oracle.” *International Journal of the Platonic Tradition*, 14, 2020, p. 1-22.

“Damascius on self-constituted realities.” *Archiv für Geschichte der Philosophie*, 2020.

“Denys l’Aréopagite et le principe donateur de bien.” *Chora. Revue d'études anciennes et médiévales: philosophie, théologie, sciences* 15/ 2017, pp. 565-590.

“Parler de Dieu et parler à Dieu: Damascius et Denys l’Aréopagite sur le rôle de la discursivité.” *Freiburger Zeitschrift für Philosophie und Theologie*, 64 (2017) 2, pp. 395-412.

“Stepping into the Void: Proclus and Damascius on Approaching the First Principle.” *International Journal of the Platonic Tradition*, 11, No. 1/ 2017, pp. 44-68.

“Defying Words: Damascius and the Travail of the Unsayable.” *Chora. Revue d'études anciennes et médiévales: philosophie, théologie, sciences* 14/ 2016, pp. 223-250.

“Discourse and suppression of discourse in Damascius’ *De principiis*.” *Rhizomata. A Journal for Ancient Philosophy and Science* 2.2 (2014) pp. 187-233.

“Damascius et la divination du principe incoordonné.” *Revue Philosophique de Louvain*, vol. 111, no. 3, 2013, p. 469-490.

“Discours et suppression du discours dans le *De principiis* de Damascius.” *Historia philosophica. An International Journal*, vol. 10, 2012, Fabrizio Serra editore, Pisa – Roma, pp. 25-40.

“Inéluctable totalité : Damascius et l’aporie du principe au-delà du tout.” *Synthesis philosophica*, vol. 27 No. 1 (2012), pp. 141-157.

“Transcendance et causalité. Proclus sur le principe au-delà de l’être.” *Chora. Revue d'études anciennes et médiévales: philosophie, théologie, sciences*, nr. 7-8, 2009-2010, pp. 53-70.

“Transcendență și cauzalitate. Proclus despre principiul de dincolo de ființă.” *Revista de Filosofie*, 3-4, 2009, pp. 261-278.

- “De l’unité de l’intellect à l’un absolu: Plotin critique d’Aristote.” *Chora. Revue d’études anciennes et médiévales: philosophie, théologie, sciences*, nr. 5, 2007, pp. 121-140.
- “De la unitatea intelectului la unul absolut: critica lui Plotin la Aristotel.” *Revista de Filosofie*, LVI, nr. 5-6, 2007, pp. 607-628.
- “De principiis: de l’aporétique de l’Un à l’aporétique de l’Ineffable.” *Chora, Revue d’études anciennes et médiévales: philosophie, théologie, sciences*, nr. 2, 2004 pp. 125-148.

Articles in books

- “Invoquer, nommer, être présent. Pseudo-Denys l’Aréopagite sur la prière.” In Philippe Hoffmann, Andrei Timotin (ed.), *Théories et pratiques de la prière dans l’Antiquité tardive (II^e-VI^e s.)*. Turnhout, Brepols, coll. “Bibliothèque de l’École des Hautes Études”, 2020.
- “La divination du principe chez Damascius et le silence de Platon.” In P. Magdalino, A. Timotin (eds.), *Savoirs prédictifs et techniques divinatoires de l’Antiquité tardive à Byzance*. Seyssel, La Pomme d’or, 2019, pp. 99-126.
- “Dionysius the Areopagite on Angels. Self-constitution versus Constituting Gifts.” In Luc Brisson, Seamus O’Neill, Andrei Timotin (eds.), *Neoplatonic Demons and Angels*, Leiden-Boston, Brill, 2018, pp. 269-290.
- “Denys l’Aréopagite et l’image divine : symbole, empreinte, statue.” In Kristina Mitalaitė, Anca Vasiliu (ed.), *L’icône dans la pensée et dans l’art*. Turnhout, Brepols, 2017, pp. 64-88.
- “Parler de rien. Damascius sur le principe au-delà de l’un.” In L. Soares Santoprete, Ph. Hoffmann (ed.), *Langage des dieux, langage des démons, langage des hommes dans l’Antiquité*. Turnhout, Brepols, collection « Recherches sur les rhétoriques religieuses », 2017, pp. 263-280.
- “Jean-Luc Marion, lecteur de Denys l’Aréopagite.” In Cristian Ciocan, Anca Vasiliu (ed.), *Lectures de Jean-Luc Marion*. Paris, Cerf, 2016.
- “Damascius and Dionysius on prayer and silence.” In John Dillon, Andrei Timotin (eds.), *Platonic Theories of Prayer*. Leiden-Boston, Brill, 2015, p. 192-212.
- “Dincolo de ființă – o ‘transcendență uluitoare’ și interpretarea ei neoplatonică.” In G. Bondor, C. Bîlbă (eds.), *Adevăr hermeneutic și locuri obscure*, Colecția *Sofia*. Iași, Editura Universității “Alexandru Ioan Cuza”, 2008, pp. 115-144.
- “Strategii ale memoriei în dialectica platonice.” In Adrian Sandu, Marilena Vlad (eds.), *Memorie și temporalitate, De la Platon la Derrida*. Bucharest, Zeta Books, 2006, pp. 13-25.

Works in print or forthcoming

- “Dialectic and Philosophical Divination in Plato’s *Phaedrus*.” In K Larsen, V. Haraldsen, J. Vlasits (eds.), *New Perspectives on Platonic Dialectic*. London, Routledge 2021.
- “L’Être premier – entre Proclus et Denys l’Aréopagite.” In D. Calma (ed.), *Reading Proclus and the Book of Causes*. Leiden, Brill, 2021.
- “Le mystère ineffable dans la pensée de Damascius.” *Chora*, 2021.
- “Damascius. New Insights in the Platonic Tradition.” In S. Wear, F. Lauritzen (eds.) *Byzantine Platonists*, Franciscan University Press, Steubenville Ohio, 2021.