



International Conference

International Security in the Post-Pandemic Era: Threats and Opportunities

19-20 October 2023 (Babes-Bolyai University Cluj, Romania)

All times are Eastern European Summer Time (EEST)

19 October

Room Ferdinand, Institute of National History, Str. Napoca, no. 11

09.30 – 10.00	Arrival of Participants and Welcome Words
Panel 1: 10.00 – 11.40	Chair: Cristian Gazdac (Babes-Bolyai University Cluj) Discussant: Raluca Farcas (Babes-Bolyai University Cluj)
Author	Paper
Sorina Soare (University of Florence)	Populist parties and security: Insights from the Italian case
Lucía Granda-Ortells (University of Granada)	Domestic workers crossing the South European border during the post-COVID securization process: The case study of Melilla.
Angelos Stavropoulos (University of Glasgow)	Social trust, digital activism and online security during the COVID-19 pandemic: Evidence from Greece
Dragos Samsudean (Babes-Bolyai University)	Conspiracy theories and security on social media: Explaining young peoples' attitudes

11.40 – 12.00 Coffee break

Panel 2: 12.00 – 13.40	Chair: Barış Gülmez (University of Izmir) Discussant: Madalina Buse (Babes-Bolyai University)
Author	Paper
Umut Can Adisönmez (İzmir University of Economics) and	Public Diplomacy and Ontological Security: Power, Glory, and Nation Rebranding in Non-Western Contexts



Bahar Rumelili (Koç University)	
Senem B. Çevik (Woodbury University) and Barış Gülmez (University of Izmir)	From Mega Projects to Nostalgic Grandeur: Unraveling the Role of Glory in Public Diplomacy
Paul Tap (Babes-Bolyai University)	Competence vs intrusiveness: How Romanian citizens perceive state surveillance
Reina Zenelaj (Epoka University Tirana)	The missing link between crisis management strategy and a transformative human security approach in Albania during and post COVID-19

13.45 - 15.00 Lunch

Panel 3: 15.00 - 16.40	Chair: Antonio Momoc (University of Bucharest) Discussant: Aurelian Giugal (University of Bucharest)
Author	Paper
Daniel Nica (University of Bucharest)	Security and Biopolitics in the Time of COVID-19: the Curious Case of Giorgio Agamben
Ionut Butoi (University of Bucharest)	Who's checking the fact-checkers? A critical perspective on the fact-checking industry
Enache Tuşa (University "Ovidius" Constanța)	COVID-19 public health restrictions impact on population natural mobility and social life
Antonio Momoc and Aurelian Giugal (University of Bucharest)	Reactions and attitudes in the academia about the media coverage of the COVID-19 health restrictions
Corina Buzoianu and Monica Bîră (SNSPA Bucharest)	Exploring New Methods and Practices for Reading Crisis

16.40 - 17.00 Coffee Break





Panel 4: 17.00 – 18.40

Chair: Ioan Marius Bucur (Babes-Bolyai University)
Discussant: Ionut Moldovan (Babes-Bolyai University)

Author

Paper

Andrew Judge, Georgios
Karyotis and Ian Paterson
(University of Glasgow)

Understanding Securitization Success: A New Analytical
Framework

Guadalupe Martínez Fuentes
(University of Granada)

When the Parliamentary Opposition Take to the Streets
in Social Protest against Government COVID-19 Policy

Fatima Mahmutović and
Selma Alispahić (University
of Sarajevo)

The Impact of COVID-19 on Human Security: Revisiting
the Concept of Ontological Security in the Light of
Contemporary Security Challenges

Ioana Ioanes (Babes-Bolyai
University)

The effects of government instability on Romania's
Energy Security

19.00 Dinner

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Panel 5: 10.00 – 11.40

Chair: Mihai Alexandrescu (Babes-Bolyai University)
Discussant: Paul Popa (Babes-Bolyai University)

Daniel Oross (Centre for
Social Science Budapest)

Playing with fears: Fidesz and the international security
threats in the 2022 Hungarian elections

Olena Podolian (Sodertorn
University Stockholm)

The political and societal aspects of security regarding
the war in Ukraine

Walid Ali (University of
Glasgow)

The military and non-state armed groups: How security
influenced Libya's transition since 2011



Samara López	Has COVID-19 provided a boots to sustainable development goal 6? Evidence of investment and perception of hand hygiene
Andreea Nicoleta Florescu (Babes-Bolyai University)	Digitizing public libraries: The COVID-19 pandemic and new library services



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Panel 6: 12.00 – 13.40	Chair: Barış Gülmez (University of Izmir) Discussant: Dragos Samsudean (Babes-Bolyai University)
Maja Savic-Bojanic (Sarajevo University of Technology)	COVID-19 Movement Ban and People on the Move: The Effects on Migrants along the Balkan Route
Ionut Moldovan (Babes- Bolyai University)	Religious Community and Security: The Church’s Support for Romanian Emigrants to the United States
Senem B Çevik (Woodbury University)	Insecure Grandiosity: Understanding Ottoman Nostalgia in ‘New Turkey’
Ahmet Furkan Özyakar (Ataturk University)	Revisiting Historical Significance: Iran’s Pursuit of Status via Public Diplomacy in the Discourses of Khatami and Ahmadinejad

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