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PROGRAMME

International Conference

Event for Youth

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Invited Keynote Speakers:

Nicolae ROBU - Mayor Timisoara City Hall

Titu BOJIN - Timis County Council President

Mihail LIȘEȚCHI - State Secretary at the Ministry for Public Consultation and Civic Dialogue

Andrei POPESCU - State Secretary at the Ministry of Youth and Sport

Gestur Páll REYNISSON - University of Iceland, Social Science Research Institute, Iceland

Corina DRAGOMIRESCU – Advocacy Academy

Lucian GALOSI - Prof. PhD. Physiotherapist and Coordinator of Volunteer Center of Timisoara County Emergency Clinical Hospital „Pius Brînzeu” (Volunteering in medical sector)

Radu NICOSEVICI – Advocacy Academy

Cornelia PARAIPAN - Senior Adviser Monitoring and Transparency Compartment from Timis County Council (Decisional transparency, the foundation of participatory democracy)

Nicoleta SÎRGHI - Vice Dean, Responsible for the student, institutional communication, administrative and social activities, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, West University of Timisoara (Volunteering at FEAA)





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Detailed Programme:

9:30 - 10:00 Registration – ground floor

Opening Session: 10:00 - 10:15

Opening speech – P02 Hall (ground floor)

Oana-Ramona LOBONȚ, Project Manager

Marilen Gabriel PIRTEA, Rector of West University of Timisoara

Petru ȘTEFEA, Dean of Faculty of Economics and Business

Administration

Invited conference speakers: 10:15 - 11:45

Nicolae ROBU - Mayor Timisoara City Hall

Titu BOJIN - Timis County Council President

Mihail LIȘEȚCHI - State Secretary at the Ministry for Public Consultation and Civic Dialogue

Andrei POPESCU, State Secretary at the Ministry of Youth and Sport

Gestur Páll REYNISSON, MPA, Teacher at Social Science Research Institute - University of Iceland and Specialist at the Icelandic National Audit Office (Collaboration between NGOs and the Government in Iceland)

Nicoleta ȘÎRGHI - Vice Dean, Responsible for the student, institutional communication, administrative and social activities, Faculty of Economics and Business Administration, West University of Timisoara (Volunteering at FEAA)

11:45 - 12:00 Coffee Break (ground floor)

Invited conference speakers: 12:00 - 13:30

Lucian GALOSI, Prof. PhD. Physiotherapist and Coordinator of Volunteer Center of Timisoara County Emergency Clinical Hospital „Pius Brînzeu” (Volunteering in the medical sector)

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Corina DRAGOMIRESCU and **Radu NICOSEVICI** – *founding members of Advocacy Academy (What we have and what we lack to become active and participative citizens in public decision)*

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch break – Lounge Hall, III floor

14:30 - 16:00 Panel Sessions – P02, P03, P11 Halls (ground floor)

Panel I: *The autonomy of majority: An act of democracy*, Moderator: Ec. Alexandru BOCIU - Director of parliamentary office

- 1.1. *Participatory democracy and advocacy*, Tudor FLUERAS, Political consultant
- 1.2. *Development of local communities through bottom-up approach through a strategy adapted to the society needs and priorities*, Alexandru IOVESCU, President of Association GAL Timisul de Centru
- 1.3. *Promoting citizenship and involvement of citizens in public decision making process of public policy*, Nicoleta ROSU, Vice President European Association of Political Studies and Civic Education
- 1.4. *The tyranny of the non-participating majority and risks associated in various forms of community development* - Gheorghe LEONTIN, PhD Student, and Radu-Claudiu NEAGOE, Master Student, West University of Timisoara

Panel II: *A new challenge for a responsible community: Talents Factory*, Moderator Assoc. Prof. Denisa ABRUDAN, PhD West University of Timisoara

- 2.1. *Motivation for performance*, Discussant Assoc. Prof. Denisa ABRUDAN, PhD West University of Timisoara
- 2.2. *Excellence through Sports*, Discussants Diana AMZA, motivational speaker and Ciprian ȘTEFĂNESCU, mountain runner, assistant manager at Timisoara rugby team Saracens RCM WUT
- 2.3. *CSR in Romania - between illusion and reality*, Discussant Dina URSUTA, the Company LIDEEA Development Actions
- 2.4. *Volunteering within the Maltese Relief Organization Romania*, Discussant Ildiko SZELES, representative of the Maltese Relief Organization Romania, Timisoara Branch





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2.5. *Best practices of eco projects for the community 2006-2016*, Andreia SCHNEIDER, NGO ECO CLUB Timisoara & Lecturer, PhD, West University of Timisoara

Panel III: *Youth and Student organization experiences: Developing the leadership potential of youth through experiential learning and volunteer experiences*, Moderator: Gestur Páll REYNISSON, University of Iceland

3.1. *Collaborative Education as a solution for bridging the gap between theoretical and practical competencies*, Minds Hub

3.2. *How the student movement shapes the leaders of tomorrow*, Students Organization of the West University of Timisoara (OSUT)

3.3. *Starting from a Global Citizen, becoming a Global Talent*, AIESEC Timisoara

3.4. *Volunteering, Multiculturalism. Creativity. Friendship. Fun: ISWinT – the oldest international student festival in Romania*, Miruna PASCA, student at the Faculty of Communication Sciences and member of Liga AC - one of the 10 student organizations active in Politehnica University of Timisoara

3.5. *Political youth movements in Iceland*, Hafsteinn Birgir EINARSSON, MA, Specialist at the Social Science Research Institute - University of Iceland

16.00 - 16.30 **Reception and Final Conclusions** – Lounge Hall, III floor

