SCIENTIFIC LIFE

THE ESSAY: FORMS AND TRANSFORMATIONS
Salzburg Annual Conference in Literature and Culture
16-17 January 2014,
Universität Salzburg, Department of English and American Studies,
in cooperation with Arts & Aesthetics

Scientific researcher III, PhD, ISPRI, VIORELLA MANOLACHE has opened session 1, The Essay: Considering the Genre with the scientific intervention Between Bout D’Essai and Try: New Strategies / Virtual Techniques of the Essay.

With the aid of an intentional survey of enunciations, the communication has accepted the essay (given the hesitancy surrounding its definition) as a rebel genre, devoid of immutable laws, almost a “hybrid monster”, “literature’s poorer cousin”, a non-linear diegesis, an act of communication with a perlocutionary value, in fact an extra literary genre, an exercise that is as prototext as it is incomplete. The definition of the essay has been expanded to include two secondary meanings derived from the status of a work in progress: in cinematographic terms, the bout d’essai, and, to borrow from the sport of rugby, the concept of the try.

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MOLDOVAN-ROMANIAN FORUM
“PROMOTING COMMON PARTICIPATION IN EUROPEAN SCIENCE AND EDUCATION PROGRAMME”,
organized by the Academy of Sciences in partnership
with the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Moldova, the Ministry
of Education in Romania and the Romanian Academy
21 February 2014, Chișinău

The event aimed at reinforcing common access to European funds in the field of research and development.
The meeting was attended by Romanian Prime Minister, Victor Ponta and Prime Minister of
Republic of Moldova, Iurie Leanca and directors of research institutions in Romania and Moldova,
rectors of higher education institutions from both countries, representatives of parliament, members of government.

The Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations, was represented by its Director, Professor Dan Dungaciu.

LAUNCHING OF THE BOOK
Jilian Chifu, Narciz Bălaşoiu and Radu Arghir,
The East-West Black Sea – Caspian Sea Strategic Corridor,
27 February 2014

Jilian Chifu, Narciz Bălaşoiu and Radu Arghir have launched the book “The East–West Black Sea – Caspian Sea Strategic Corridor” (Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations of the Romanian Academy Publishing House), which represents an elaborate and comprehensive SWOT analysis of potential multidimensional strategic corridor that would connect Central Asia to Europe.

We must mention as participants speakers at the event: the SIE director Teodor Meleșcanu, The Chamber of Deputies, Valeriu Zgonea, MFA State Secretary Bogdan Aurescu and Professor Dr. Corneliu Codriț.

The volume published in English is the result of a research project conducted by the Centre for Conflict Prevention and Early Warning for one year, following a direct approach, both to decision makers in Romania and to the states components of the strategic corridor.

The event, which took place at I.G. Duce room, Parliament Palace, brought together more than 100 participants.

In his presentation, professor Teodor Meleșcanu explained the importance of connecting the Central Asian states to the European Union and NATO in the Black Sea and South Caucasus through the use of strategic thinking that would make the transition from chess principles to the Chinese game Go where it matters most every piece individually and not their hierarchy.

Final Statement belonged to the presidential adviser and co–author of the volume, Jilian Chifu who insisted on Romania’s potential role as a bridgehead of a concept designed to strengthen the regional security and to augment the volume of trades on the East-West: “New Silk Road”.

Nicolae Tăbrîgan

THE ROMANIAN CHARACTER OF POLITICAL REGIMES
IN THE CONTEMPORARY ERA AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES
ENSHRINED IN THE CONSTITUTION OF 1991
6 March 2014,
Christian University “Dumitru Cantemir”
International Institute for Human Rights
Institute of Political Science and International Relations
of the Romanian Academy

The Christian University “Dumitru Cantemir” and International Institute for Human Rights of the University, and the Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations of the Romanian Academy (IFSIR AR) have organized the conference “The Romanian Character of Political Regimes in the Contemporary Era and the Human Rights Issues Enshrined in the Constitution of 1991” on March 6, 2014. Starting from the Article 1 paragraph (3) of the Constitution, which states that “…human dignity, rights and freedoms, the free development of human personality, the justice and the political pluralism represent supreme values, in the spirit of the Romanian people’s democratic traditions and ideals of the Revolution of 1989, which are guaranteed. “the conference was structured in two parts: section I, entitled “The Constitutional Process Involving the Romanian people’s democratic traditions and ideals of the 1989 revolution. Theoretical, political and legal implications” and Section II, entitled “A new theoretical perspective on the rights and liberties of the citizen.”
From IPSIR AR actually participated Dr. Cristian-Ion Popa, Scientific Secretary IPSIR AR, with the paper “The Romanian Economy Constitution – Is It Liberal or Socialist? Some Aspects Concerning the Constitutionality of the Political Parties; Constantin Nica, PhD, Scientific Researcher I, with the communication “Parties – Indispensable Actors of the Political System in Romania”; Lecturer Emche Tusa, PhD, with the presentation entitled “The Constitutional Regime of the Minorities in Romania During the Interwar Period”; Henrieta Anigoara Serban, PhD, Scientific Researcher III, with the paper “The Universality of the Human Rights as a Foundation for Democracy (also, moderator for the Section II of the Conference); Bogdan Popescu, PhD, Scientific Researcher III, with a presentation of the “Electoral Management – An Incomplete Reform. A Few Constitutional Implications”; and with topics, Associate Professor Cristi Pantelimon, PhD, “Aspects of the Critique of Parliamentary Liberalism in the Romanian Political Doctrine of Corporatism”; and Lucian Dumitrescu, PhD, Scientific Researcher III, “Modernity, State, Civility: An Institutional Analysis of Democracy in Romania.”

“ROMANIA BETWEEN CRIMEA AND TRANSNISTRIA.
MOLDOVA, WHICH WAY?”
DEBATE
27 March 2014,
House of Scientists

The debate takes as its starting point the results of a poll conducted by the newspaper Adevarul, Custom Research Incop in the project Truth about Romania. Also, future topics were addressed Moldova Russian budget costs for maintaining the present status of Transnistria and the Russian budgetary effort after incorporation Crimea.

The event was moderated by Dan Dungaci (Black Sea University Foundation), and the Ion M. Ioniță, Senior editor Adevarul, being broadcast live on the website www.pivoescu.eu

Speakers: Ambassador Sergiu Celac, former foreign minister, a member of the Board of the Black Sea University Foundation; Ambassador Ion Donca, member of the Board of the Black Sea University; Ilia Tona, Presidential Advisor, Head of National Security; Antonia Colbșan, Stratfor – Europe; Darie Cristea, University of Bucharest; Dan Dungaci, President of Black Sea University Foundation; Ion M. Ioniță, Senior editor Adevarul, and editor Romania Foreign Policy; Emil Hurezeanu, political analyst, Digi 24; Professor Silviu Negut, Academy of Economic Studies; Petrișor Petri, former economic adviser to the Prime Minister of Romania, economic expert; Remus Ștefureac, CEO Incop Research; Representative of the Russian Embassy in Romania; Representative of the Embassy of Ukraine in Romania; Representative of the Embassy of Moldova in Romania.

THE 4TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: AFTER COMMUNISM.
EAST & WEST UNDER SCRUTINY
4-5 April 2014,
Center of Post-Communist Political Studies and Department of Administrative Sciences, History and Political Sciences, Faculty of Law and Social Sciences, University of Craiova

In the panel POLITICAL THEORY, IDEOLOGY and SOCIAL ACTION IN TRANSITIONS were presented the communications:
CS III DR., ISPRI, GABRIELA TĂNĂSESCU: “Romania’s Constitution and the Functional Balance of Semi-presidentialism”
CS III DR., ISPRI, LORENA STUPARU: “The Political Power and the Personal Power: A Post-Communist Romanian Experience”.
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Romanian – Moroccan
Forms of Manifestation in the European Space
Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, 9-10 April 2014

The conference has proposed, through its structure, to ensure a generous space of scientific debates approaching the active connections and interdisciplinary, delivering multiple theoretical or case studies opportunities for some necessary clarifications (such as Place vs. Space), approaching the Romanian – Moroccan Political and Cultural Forms of Manifestation in the European Space.

Having the valuable participation of the European Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centres and Associations and ALUMNUS Club for UNESCO, the conference has verified an amount of methods/participatory ways of communication/researching and developing, with nodal points found in: active scientific and academic interconnections (through consulting, information/data, suggestions and annotations, scientific exchange of ideas); transparency, open communication; dynamic research and theme acknowledgment; interdisciplinary approach.

The Opening Ceremony has gathered interventions of: Dan Dungoiu, Professor and Researcher; Director of the Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania; Simona Corlăncioiu, Ambassador of Romania in the Kingdom of Morocco; Faouzi El Aouchab, Ambassador of Morocco in Romania; Danila Popenca and Mihaela Varga, President and respectively, Vice-President of EPUCCA (European Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centres and Associations), and Viorella Manolache, Director of the project, Scientific Researcher III, PhD, Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania.

Plenary Allocution/Speech: Professor Jamal Eddine Benhayoun.

To the two sections have participated with scientific interventions, Professors and Researcher from various intellectual and cultural spaces and places: François Brédé, Camelia Runceanu, Eliza Raducu, Viorella Manolache, Cristina Arvatu Vohn, Ian Browne, Gabriel Simion, Marina Vraciu (FP – Virtual Presentation); Shabana Fayyaz (FP), Monaim El Azzouzi (FP), Željko Mirkov, Adina Buciu, Lucian Ioră, Henrieta Şerban, Aziz El Amrani (FP), Marouane Zakhir (FP), Layachi El Hassoubi (FP), Mohammed Al-Saddoun, Ana Maria Negoţă, Valentin Trifăescu, Carmen Burcea, Abdelmjid Kettou (FP) and lugoussim Simour (FP).

Closing Ceremony: Gheorghe Manolache, Professor and Director of the Center of Philological and Intercultural Research – "Lucian Blaga" University, Sibiu.

To the conference have also participated the representative of the Moroccan community in Romania: Amal Rabi, Radouan El Mouatamid and Yassir Mohamed El Azoui.

SYMPHOSU WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION
FR. RAINER – 2014
ANTROPOLOGY AND SOCIETY
Dedicated to the Acad.Prof. Dr. Constantin BĂLĂCEANU-STOLNICI
for 70 years of scientific activity
9-10 April 2014,
Romanian Academy, Commission of Anthropology, Bucharest

At the international symposium scientific researchers III, PhD (ISPRI) have sent their scientific communications:

VIORELLA MANOLACHE, Fluxes and (A)fluxes: Societas and the Option of the Third
HENRIETA ŞERBAN, Interactive Differences: Feminist Anthropology as a part of the Anthropology of the Power
LUMEN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE LOGOS UNIVERSALITY
MENTALITY EDUCATION NOVELTY

From Theory to Inquiry in Social Sciences
10-12 April 2014, Jassy

Scientific Researcher III, PhD, VIORELLA MANOLACHE (ISPRI) has participated at the
Posters Session-Political and European Studies with: The Politics of the Vicecanon: Performatism
or the Background Interference of Postmodernism.

The study uses as a background for analysis the alternative reflexes coming not only from
decreasing postmodernism to be finished stage but rather from an enumeration of performatism's
reflexes seen as (an)other voluntarily-fabricated position much to its disadvantage. The purpose of
the study resides in a relaunching of the vicecanon concept as a transitional norm, a rule maintaining
the dynamics of post-modern alternatives, with an accent on performatism, establishing the fact
that by pursuing the postmodern policy of overacting at any price (even if one often has to
acknowledge mixed forms), the alternatives can only operate as a form of background interference,
in the sense of producing parasitical signals with approximately identical wavelengths but cognizant
of specific differences (in the case of performatism, the temporary/discreet partaking of the
subject/sign in the holistic process itself).

The study's sources of evidence acknowledge the re-launching of political performatism with
its nodal Eshelmanian bookmarks towards: a direction oriented against ironically indifferent
attitudes and towards accepting both individual and political responsibility in a post-ideological
(post-political) context; political transcendence; the symbollic order of language and diminished-role
significance games; etc. The immediate evidence obviously shows that performatism argues
its project/program through the ensigns of postmodernism found in the sovereign Lyotardian
movie, the Huchesonian relationship between ideology and subjectivity or the reflections of post-
politics, found at the intersection between Rancière – Badiou – Žižek.

Its conclusions launch as an absolutely new element the concept of postmodernism, through
a reassessment of the Rancièrean perspective on modernism seen as a term of identification
between the esthetic status of the arts and the forms of fulfilling a personal task/destiny, and
imbuing it with the status of a postmodernist sharing formula.

THE EXERCISE OF POWER 500 YEARS
AFTER THE PRINCE WAS WRITTEN

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Scientific Researchers III, PhD, Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations,
Romanian Academy, Bucharest have presented the following communications (included in the
panel "Il Principe and the Modern Politician", moderated by Prof. Ph.D. Gheorghe Stoica):
Lorena Stuparu, “The ‘virtue’ of political man in Machiavelli’s vision”.
Lecturer Ph.D. Enache Tuia, Ovidius University, Constanța – “Machiavelli as a precursor of
political anthropology” has presented his communication in the panel "Art of the State Leadership
Today", moderated by Prof. Ph.D. Enzo Baldini.