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I am a philosopher, author of *The Difference Between Heidegger's Concept of Market and That of Granel* (2013) and *Politics* (2015). Also, I co-edited with Adrian T. Sirbu *Genealogies of Post-Communism* (2009). I contributed to establishing and running three journals: *Philosophy & Stuff* (1997-2000), *Balkon Cluj* (2000-2003) and *IDEA arts + society* (2003-2018), where I worked as an editor, author and translator. Besides *IDEA*, I publish(ed) essays, articles and papers in Romanian, Hungarian, English and French in *Cultura*, *CriticAtac*, *Korunk*, *Arhitext Design*, *Transilvanian Review*, *Vatra*, *Slovo*, *La Pensée libre*.

PERSONAL DATA

Date of Birth: 19 August 1976
Place of Birth: Satu Mare, Romania
Nationality: Romanian

EMPLOYMENT

2003-2018, IDEA arts+society (www.idea.ro/revista), IDEA Design & Print, Cluj, Romania
editor, founding member, translator

1999-2003, Balkon (contemporary art journal), IDEA Design & Print, Cluj, Romania
editor, translator

EDUCATION

2005-2009, University of Western Ontario, The Centre for the Study of Theory and Criticism, London, Ontario, Canada
PhD Candidate
Thesis title: *The Difference Between Heidegger's Concept of Market and That of Granel*

2004-2005, Central European University, Nationalism Studies Program, Budapest, Hungary
MA in Nationalism Studies (with Merit)
Thesis title: *Between Justice and Security: Actors, Arguments and Principles in the (Non)Debate on the Territorial Autonomy of Szeklerland*

2000-2001, "Marc Bloch" University, Faculty of Philosophy, Strasbourg, France
visiting student (Socrates scholarship)

1999-2000, "Babeş-Bolyai" University, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Masters of French Philosophy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
MA in French Philosophy
Thesis title: *Capital Space – Historico-Ontological Metamorphoses of the City Center*

1995-1999, "Babeş-Bolyai" University, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy
BA in Philosophy
Thesis title: *Contingency – Translation – East: An Introduction to Mihály Vajda's Philosophy*

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Contemporary Politics
Social and Political Philosophy
Modern and Contemporary Philosophy
Social Theory and Criticism
Poststructuralism
Deconstruction
Heidegger and Post-Heideggerianism
Marx
Modern and Contemporary Art and Art Theory
Philosophy in Public Life

TEACHING

2000-2004, “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
teaching assistant in Political Philosophy

2003-2004, “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
teaching assistant in Postmodernism

1999-2000, “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
teaching assistant in Contemporary Philosophy

ACADEMIC AWARDS

2017, Researcher-in-Residence, Belvedere Museum – 21er Haus, Vienna, Austria

2016, Paul Celan Fellowship, IWM, Vienna, Austria

2005-2009, Western Graduate Scholarship, London, Canada

2004-2005, Partial Fellowship, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

2000-2001, Socrates Fellowship, “Marc Bloch” University, Strasbourg, France

1999-2000, MA scholarship, “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Cluj, Romania

1995-1999, BA scholarship, “Babeş-Bolyai” University, Cluj, Romania

VOLUNTARY WORK

1997-2000, *Philosophy & Stuff* (journal), Cluj, Romania
editor, founding member

LANGUAGES

Romanian – native
Hungarian – native
English – excellent
French – good
German – reading
Italian – reading

REFERENCES

Timotei Nădășan, artist, graphic designer, business owner, editor-in-chief and co-initiator of Balkon Cluj and of IDEA arts + society journals

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Adrian T. Sîrbu, researcher in Philosophy at the Romanian Academy, ex-editor of IDEA arts + society

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Claude Karnoouh, anthropologist, philosopher, ex-professor, BA and MA supervisor (1999, 2000)

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