The international symposium TEXTUS TESTIS Valore documentario e dimensioni letterarie del testo storico. Documentary value and literary dimensions of the historic text, Padua, 17th of November 2009.

A delegation of the Faculty of History, Geography and International Relations of the University of Oradea, participated on Tuesday, the 17th of November, at the University of Padua, at the symposium titled "Documentary Value and Literary Dimensions of the Historic Text".

The organizing of scientific manifestation that gathers historians and novelists it is not something unusual. We are thinking about Sextil Puscariu's researchers upon the Romanian language, at the good collaboration between linguists and historians in the inter-war period, something tried by the "*Dacoromania*" Magazine, and widely, tried by the collaboration between the Romanist Department from the University of Padua, founded by Ramiro Ortiz between the Two World Wars, and the Romanian specialists. The symposium tried to recreate the bond from the Inter-War period. Also, it was tried the larging of the historic document notion, the call to literary resources, obviously after a critic investigation of the sources.



The Romanian part was represented by Prof. Univ. PhD. Barbu Stefanescu, vice – rector at International Relations, Prof. Univ. Phd. Antonio Faur, director at Department of History, lect. Univ. PhD. Mircea Brie, head of Department of International Relations and lect. Univ. PhD. Florin Sfrengeu. The symposium was organized at the initiative of the professors Lorenzo Renzi and Dan Cepraga, from the Romanist Department of the Padua University, and of Prof. Univ. PhD. Sorin Sipos, from the Faculty of History – Geography and International Relations of the Oradea University. At the opening of works there were, from the University of Padua, Prof. Michele Cortelazzo, the President of the Faculty of Letters and Philosophy and Furio Brugnolo, Director of Romanist Department.

The symposium was an exceptional scientific accomplishment, first of all due to the sustained communications, due to the discussions at a high academic level and the best organization. In agreement it was decided that the works will be published in a volume that appears under the protection of the two universities in the first part of 2010. It was also decided that in May 2010, the symposium should take place in Oradea when it will be launched the volume containing the works from the Padua conference.

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International conference "Identities, Citizenship and Democracy: 20 years after" (Charleroi, Belgium, 22-24 October 2009)

This year, in many European countries took place manifestations that celebrate 20 years from the political changes in Central and Eastern Europe. An event of this kind was organized in Belgium, at Charleroi, by GARENP (The Group of Research and Action on the European Neighborhood Policy) near the European Commission and the Poland's Embassy near the European Commission. The event reunited over 150 researchers and academic teachers from all the European countries. A special place, threw the number of attendants, was given to the exponents of the academic environment from Central and Eastern Europe.

The organizers, appreciating the scientific results of the Oradea's academics, invited the Euro-regional Studies Institute, European Excellency Center "Jean Monnet" (GARENP member) to be co-organizer of the conference. Together with the University of Oradea – threw the Jean Monnet European Module "Mass-Media and Intercultural Dialogue in Europe Without Borders" – co-organizers of the conference were too the International Institute of Administrative Sciences in Brussels, the University of Debrecen (Hungary), the "Jagellona" University of Cracow (Poland), the University "Matej Bel" of Banska Bistryska (Slovakia) and the "Charles" University of Prague (Czech Republic).

The discussions were around the following main themes: *Democracy in all its states: challenges and perspectives in the EU and its neighborhood* (with the workshops: Democracy and identity in EU; Democratic transitions and identities); *Communication, Media and the European construction* (with the workshops: Communication and cooperation, Communication, Media and European Institutions); *European identities and citizenship* (with the workshops: Identities and Citizenship, Universities and Cultures).

It was given to the University of Oradea the responsibility of managing one of the three sections of the conference, entitled "Communication, Media and the European construction". Threw this, it is proved that the organizers appreciate the results of the Oradea academics in studying the impact that mass-media had in the democratization of Eastern and Central Europe and then in the process accession to the European Union. It is also confirmed that here exists an expertise recognized by the European Commission, threw the Jean Monnet European Module "Mass-Media and Intercultural Dialogue in Europe Without Borders" of the Faculty of History, Geography and International Relations.

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