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Remembering, Experiencing Turkey: Pictures of a Cultural Heritage, in AIO (“Anuarul Institutului de Istorie Orală” / “Oral History Institute Yearbook”), nr. XV/2014, ed. Argonaut, Cluj-Napoca, in print.

Participation to the Prof. Dr. François Ruegg Conference [university lecture] (Fribourg University, Switzerland), *La maison paysanne, comme objet d'exposition (muséal)* (CISR, Erasmus +, LIT), March 11, 2015.

Mobility, survival, change: Dobrudja Muslims Case in “Theoretical and Methodological Approaches in Social Sciences: Emerging Perspectives”, Marius Vasiliuță Ștefănescu (ed.), February 2015, Prouniversitaria, București, p. 178-196.

Bilingualism și identități biculturale în Dobrogea (Bilingual and Bicultural Identities in Dobruja), International Colloquium Comunicare și cultură în România europeană (3rd edition): “România între interculturalitate și identitate: spații romanice europene și extraeuropene”, October 3-4 2014, Szeged, Hungary.

Participation to the prof. dr. Thede Kahl (Germany, Friedrich-Schiller-Universität – Institut für Slawistik) university lecture *Întrebări și metode de cercetare de teren în zonele multietnice din Europa de Est. Perspective etnolingvistice și antropologice/Questions and Fieldwork Research Methods in the Multiethnic Areas from Eastern Europe. Ethno-linguistic and Anthropological Perspectives* (within POSDRU/159/1.5/S/140863, “Cercetători competitivi pe plan european în domeniul științelor umaniste și socio-economice. Rețea de cercetare multiregională CCPE”), October 16-17, 2014, West University of Timisoara.

Sînziana Preda, Melinda Dincă, *Economics and Social Issues of the Turkish and Tatar Communities in Romania*, in “Social Economics and Entrepreneurship”, Patricia-Luciana Runcan, Georgeta Rață (eds.), Newcastle: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2014, ISBN (10): 1-4438-5675-4, ISBN (13): 978-1-4438-5675-1, pp. 183-195 (<http://www.cambridgescholars.com/download/sample/61610>).

Conservând ceea ce avem: atitudini și practici/ Preserving what we have: attitudes and practices, International Symposium of Ethnology “Populații și patrimoniul imaterial național și euroregional. De la stratul cultural profund la tradiții locale vii”, Arad, June 20, 2014.

Are You Tatar? Declare yourself as Tatar! Do not declare yourself anything else!, “Regional Identity and Social Cohesion” International Conference, Timișoara, 22 May, 2014.

Mobilitate, supraviețuire, schimbare: cazul musulmanilor dobrogeni/ Mobility, Survival, Change: the Case of Muslims from Dobrudja, International Conference “Tineri cercetători în științele sociale”, Timișoara, May 7, 2014.

Multiculturalism at the edge: Banat and Dobrogea, Regional Conference BCUT “Influențe multiculturale în Banat”, Timișoara, March 13, 2014.

Migration flows in the Turkish and Tatar community in Dobroudja, 13th International Postgraduate Conference on Central and Eastern Europe “Old Rules & New Traditions: Generational Divides in Central and Eastern Europe”, February 19-21, 2014, UCL SSEES London.

Near the Other, together with the Other, International Conference “Cultură și identitate în comunități interetnice”, Timișoara, November 21-22, 2013.

Migration Flows in Dobruja, “Cultures of Mobility and Immobility” - 10th Annual Conference of the Romanian Society for Social and Cultural Anthropology (SASC), Sibiu, October 17-19, 2013.

Young Turks and Tatars: Actions and Representations, International Symposium “Moștenirea Culturală Turcă în Dobrogea”, Constanța, September 24-25, 2013.

Melinda Dincă, Senior Lecturer

Turkish-Tatar Community Analysis. Between Saving the Cultural Heritage and Celebrating Diversity in Dobrudja, in “Theoretical and Methodological Approaches in Social Sciences: Emerging Perspectives”, Marius Vasiliuța Ștefănescu (ed.), February 2015, Prouniversitaria, București, p. 61-78.

Family as a cultural heritage passing on agent and its role in the dynamics of the social identity of Turkish and Tatar communities in Dobrudja, in “Today’s Children - Tomorrow’s Parents”, Issue 39 (Miscellany), Ana Muntean (ed.), December 2014, p. 7-17.

Turkish – Tatar Communities from Dobroudja, Romania. Social Identity Dynamics, 2014, in “European Review of Applied Sociology”, Vol 7, No 9, ISSN 2286-2102, p. 21-32.

During the entire project period, for three academic years (between 2012 and 2015), Dinca Melinda held a complementary course on Sociology of Identity at the West University of Timisoara, Faculty of Sociology and Psychology, Department of Sociology. The different phases of the project Cultural heritage and identity dynamics in the Turkish Tatar community from Dobroudja are topics of debate and learning material for the students from Sociology Department.

Training in Institutional Ethnography – a qualitative methodology of discovering the social, Professor Coordinator Johans Tveit Sandvin, 2014, September 07 – 12, University of Nordland, Norway

Between 28.04.2014 – 04.05.2014, senior lecturer Melinda Dincă gave hours lectures at Ghent University, Faculty of Political and Social Sciences, Department of Sociology, as a guest lecturer LLP / ERASMUS, in a partnership conducted by West University from Timișoara and the University of Gent, Belgium. The Belgian students found out about the project *Cultural heritage and identity dynamics in the Turkish Tatar community from Dobroudja* through a university lecture entitled "Cultural values, tradition and religious practices of the Turks and Tatars from Dobroudja region in Romania". In the frame of the same teaching staff exchange, Dinca Melinda had meetings with PhD student Chloe Delcour regarding her research on Minority and Social Identity.

The objectives and the partial achievements of the project were also exposed by senior lecturer Melinda Dincă, as the Keynote speaker to the International Conference "Young researchers in the social sciences" (West University of Timișoara, May 7, 2014).

Dincă Melinda, Marius Vasiliuță Ștefănescu, co-authors of the conference *Rural Romania: Ethnic Diversity in Banat and Dobrogea Regions*, within "International Summer School in Social Anthropology: Living in the mountains: economic, legal, environmental and touristic challenges", organised by the University of Fribourg, Switzerland and West University from Timișoara, June 10 – 16, 2014, Sembrancher, Switzerland.

Organizer of the Conference *Rural Romania: Ethnic Diversity in Banat and Dobrogea Regions*, within "International Summer School in Social Anthropology (ISSA 2014)" (partnership conducted by West University from Timișoara and the University of Fribourg), Fribourg, Switzerland, June 9 – 16, 2014.

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Melinda Dincă, *Modalități de transmitere a patrimoniului cultural prin sistemul de învățământ public la minoritatea turco-tătară din Dobrogea/ Ways of Transmission Cultural Heritage through Public Education System regarding Turkish-Tatar Minority from Dobrudja*, International Conference "Cultură și identitate în comunități interetnice", Timișoara, November 21-22, 2013

Fieldwork (semi-structured interviews, focus group, discussions with local authorities, participant observation) to Constanța, Tulcea, Ovidiu, Tuzla, Cobadin – April 2014; data processing, content analysis.