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21 years

WORK EXPERIENCE

01 october 2023 - present

PhD Lecturer

University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania
Teaching activities focused on economic geography, territorial planning, sustainable territorial development

01 october 2015 - 30 september 2023

PhD University Assistant

University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania
Teaching activities focused on economic geography, geography of tourism, urban settlements;

17 october 2017- present

PhD Scientific Researcher II (Degree by MRI no. 647/17.10.2017)

University of Bucharest, Interdisciplinary Center for Advanced Research on Territorial Dynamics (CICADIT), no. 3-12, Blvd. Regina Elisabeta, Bucharest, Romania
Research activities focused on territorial development, industrial heritage, territorial dynamics;

1 september 2010- present

PhD Researcher

University of Bucharest, Interdisciplinary Center for Advanced Research on Territorial Dynamics (CICADIT), no. 3-12, Blvd. Regina Elisabeta, Bucharest, Romania
▪ Research activities focused on territorial development, industrial heritage, territorial dynamics;

01 october 2007- 31 march 2009

Assistent Research

University of Bucharest, Research Center of Population, Ecology, Geography of Human Settlements and Geopolitic, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania
Research activities (elaboration of thematic maps, proposals for the redevelopment of disadvantaged mining areas)

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

October 2010 - March 2013

Postdoctoral Researcher in Geography

University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania,
▪ Individual postdoctoral training program in Geography, elaboration of the models for reuse of former industrial areas, elaboration scientific papers, participations at national and international conferences;

October 2006 - September 2009 **PhD in Geography**
 University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania
 Elaboration scientific papers focused on research project topic, quarterly performance reports presenting the results obtained in developing the doctoral thesis, participation at national and international conferences

October 2005 – June 2006 **Master: Resources and Tourist Activities Management**
 University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania
International relations in tourism, macroeconomic policy in national and international tourism

October 2001 - June 2005 **Degree in Geography of Tourism**
 University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, no. 1, Blvd. Nicolae Bălcescu, Bucharest, Romania
 Disciplines belonging to Geography of Tourism, specific skills of Geography of Tourism graduates

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Romanian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C1	C1	B1	C1	C1
Italian	C1	C1	C1	C1	B1
French	B1	A2	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2 Proficient user
[Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Communication skills Replace with your communication skills. Specify in what context they were acquired. Example:
 ▪ good communication skills gained through my experience as researcher (e. g. participations on conferences, etc.)

Organisational / managerial skills

-Manager skills: 3 scientific projects manager: CNCISIS PN II TD (Young PhDs) 2007, CNCISIS PN II MD (Mobility PhDs) 2007, CNCISIS PN II MD (Mobility PhDs) 2008

-2014-present: **principal organizer of the International Conference: "Industrial heritage: conservation, cultural promotion and intelligent reuse"; starting with the 6th edition (2023), the conference is organized within the Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest in collaboration with the National Center for Railway Qualification and Training (CENAFER) - the Romanian Railway Museum and the "Ion Mincu" University of Architecture and Urbanism with the title: *Challenges and Opportunities in the Conservation, Promotion and Adaptive Reuse of the Industrial Heritage*;**

-2016 - Member of the Organisation Committee for the International Conference Reshaping Territories, Environment and Societies: New Challenges for Geography, November 18-19, Bucharest, Romania;

- Member of the Organizing Committee – IGU-CSRS 22th Annual Colloquium "Rural life and rural systems between tradition and integrated urban-rural development", IGU-CSRS, CICADIT, 2014.

- Member of the Organizing Committee – International 2H2S Seminar "Entrepreneurship initiatives and regional development. International comparisons", 12th edition, University of Bucharest, CICADIT, 2013.

-Member in organizing committee of the National Student Symposium on Human Geography and Tourism, Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest, 2004-2010;

-Member of the Organizing Committee of the PhD Students Symposium, Doctoral School "Simion Mehedinți – Nature and Sustainable Development", Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest, 2010-present.

- Executive-editor of the Annals of the Professional Association of Romanian Geographers: 2014-present, <http://www.apgr-anale.com/434097129>; Member of technical board 2010-2013;

-Member of technical board of the Jura journal, 2010-present (ISSN 2067-4082), CICADIT, University of Bucharest (<http://www.jurareview.ro/editorial-board>)

-Editor book review: journal: Territorial Identity and development <http://territorial-identity.ro/editorial-board/>

- Member of the Technical Board - Geographer Review, 2010-present (ISSN 2067- 4090) <https://www.apgr.eu/geograful.php>

-Member of the Technical Board – Universitas Geographica Journal, 2010-present (ISSN 2069-0096), Simion Mehedinți Doctoral School, Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest. http://geo.unibuc.ro/2015/201211/Universitas_Geographica_2_2010.pdf

Job-related skills

Replace with any job-related skills not listed elsewhere. Specify in what context they were acquired.

Example:

- good command of administrative field (this was obtained being responsible for the administrative)

Digital competence

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Independent user	Proficient user	Independent user	Basic user	Independent user

Levels: Basic user - Independent user - Proficient user

[Digital competences - Self-assessment grid](#)

Replace with name of ICT-certificate(s)

Computer skills in various versions: Word, Excel, Power-Point, AutoCad
 ▪ These were obtained in the process of education and research.

Other skills ▪ NO

Driving licence: NO

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Projects ▪ See the Annex 1.
 Publications See the Annex 2

ANNEXES

▪ Annex 1
 ▪ Annex 2.

Annex 1

National projects

As manager project:

1. CNCSIS project PN II TD no. 371 (Young PhD): *Tourism as a viable alternative to the economic development of the Petrosani mining basin*, funded by the National Research Council for Higher Education, period of the project implementation: 01 October 2007- 31 March 2009.
2. CNCSIS PN type II MD (mobility PhD) no.12 /2007: *Identification and inventory of material cultural heritage from Petrosani mining basin*, funded by the National University Research Council for Higher Education, period of the project implementation: 01.11.2007 30.11.2007
3. CNCSIS PN type II MD (mobility PhD) no. 8/2008: *Identification and inventory of non-tangible cultural heritage from Petrosani mining basin*, funded by the National University Research Council for Higher Education, period of the project implementation: 01.06.2008-31.08.2008.
4. UEFISCDI type mobility projects for researchers no. 167/2017, code PN-III-P1-1.1-MC-2017-0458: funded by the Executive for Financing Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation, participation financing conference attendance costs: 11th North Atlantic Forum International Conference organized by University College of Southeast Norway in collaboration with the Research Council of Norway and the European Society for Rural Sociology (ESRS), 13-16 September 2017, Bø, Norway, title of presentation: *Rural regeneration as a form of conservation and cultural reuse of industrial heritage. The case study: Rudaria Mulinologica complex, Romania.*
5. UEFISCDI type mobility projects for researchers PN-III-P1-1.1-MC2019-0816: funded by the Executive for Financing Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation, participation financing conference attendance costs: Annual Conference of the Association for Industrial Archaeology, location: Sommerset: Bridgwater, Cannington, United Kingdom, August 08-11, 2019, title of presentation: *Postcards as affective images markers of Romanian industrial heritage.*

As team member:

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1. Complex multi-disciplinary platform for integrative and systematic research of identities and tangible and non-tangible cultural heritage in Romania – UEFISCDI project no. PN-III-P1-1.2-PCCDI-2017-0686 – (2018-2021) position: researcher.

2. Grant Agreement 391/SGU/III/18.09.2020, project title: "Innovative solutions for the optimization and sustainability of the training process in geographical higher education" acronym GEOFORUM, position: short-term expert: remedial activities; period: 2020-2022; director: prof. Phd. Daniel Peptenatu.
3. Spatial planning of Tulcea county territory (2018-2021) - beneficiary: Tulcea county; position: researcher: (chapter: tourism).
4. Spatial planning of Suceava county territory (2018-2021) - beneficiary: Suceava county; position: researcher (chapter: industry).
5. Project UB no. 3362/2018: Urban Restructuring in Small and Medium Industrial town in Romania (2018); position: researcher.
6. The regional development plan of Hunedoara County 2014-2020, period of the implementation project: September 2015 - May 2016, Service contract no. 14752 / 13.11.2015, beneficiary: the Hunedoara County council, position: tourism expert.
7. Develop an integrated environment for maritime spatial planning in Romania - supported by the Ministry of National Education – UEFISCDI, PN-II-RU-TE2014-4-2479, position: researcher.
8. Update of the Bucharest Urban Plan (2013-2016), beneficiary Bucharest City Hall; position: tourism expert
9. "The territorial development axis Ploiesti - Giurgiu - Bucharest - Romania's southern development axis structure" project (2013-2014), beneficiary: Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration, position: tourism expert;
10. Substantiation study to update Spatial Planning of National Territory– section Network of Localities (2013-2014), beneficiary: Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration, position: cultural heritage expert.
11. POSDRU project/156/1.2/G/141105: Innovation and quality increase in geographical higher education through developing guides as didactic and methodological tools in the field of planning and territorial development (founded by the European Social Fund within the Operational Sectoral Program for the Development of Human Resources 2007-2013); position: expert economic analysis.
12. POSDRU project /156/1.2/G/141260: Promoting innovation and quality in territorial development by creating an intelligent interdisciplinary master's degree program, beneficiary: University of Bucharest (founded by the European Social Fund within the Operational Sectoral Program for the Development of Human Resources 2007-2013).
13. POSDRU project 57462: "Optimizing insertion of Geography graduates in the labor market" (2010-2013); beneficiary: University of Bucharest (founded by the European Social Fund within the Operational Sectoral Program for the Development of Human Resources 2007-2013); position: researcher.
14. "Reducing the urban heat island' effects to improve urban comfort and to balance energy consumption in Bucharest", 2014-2016, CICADIT, "Ion Mincu" University of Architecture and Urbanism, Bucharest.
15. UB 1322 Project "Integrative and Sectorial analyses in trans-scalar territorial dynamics"" (2013-2015); beneficiary: University of Bucharest, position: tourism expert.
16. Spatial planning of Gorj county territory (2011-2012) - beneficiary: Gorj county; position: researcher.
17. Spatial planning of counties territory Braila-Galați (2011-2012) - beneficiary: Brăila and Galați counties; position: researcher
18. Spatial planning of Botoșani county territory (2010-2011) - beneficiary: Botoșani county; position: researcher
19. CNCISIS project 1665: "Greenfield FDI impact on rural and urban development in the metropolitan area Bucharest" (2006-2008), beneficiary: University of Bucharest, position: researcher

International projects

1. ERA NET UEFISCDI (The Executive Unit for Funding Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation), Bright future for black towns: reinventing European industrial towns and challenging dominant post-industrial discourses, 2017-2020, project number 69/2017 COFUND-ENSUF-BRIGHT FUTURE, within PNCDI III, 2017-2019, position: researcher.
2. ESPON GROSEE: Growth Poles in South-East Europe (2012-2014) – position: researcher
3. ESPON SIESTA: Spatial Indicators for an Europe 2020 Strategy' territorial analysis (2011-2013) – position: researcher

List of academic publications

- **Articles as first author:**

Merciu Florentina-Cristina, Păunescu Cornel, Merciu G.-L. 2025, *Exploring modern financial buildings in Bucharest (Romania) as valuable assets of industrial heritage and their role in the development of the industry*, Journal of Industrial Heritage.

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planing tool for cultural heritage restoration in municipality of Reșița (Romania), Proceedings of International Conference Knowledge-based Organization, vol. XXXI, iss. 2, pp. 62-69. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.2478/kbo-2025-0049>

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Merciu Cristina, International Workshop on Measuring Impacts of Cultural Tourism in European Urban Areas, organized by the University of Santiago de Compostela, Instituto Univesitario De Estudos e Desenvolvimento de Galicia, 15-16 October 2018, *Historic Romanian cities: challenges of development of the sustainable cultural tourism. Case studies: Sighişoara and Sibiu*.

Merciu George-L., Păunescu C., **Merciu Cristina**, The 14th edition of the Conference on Construction Research, Construction Economics, Architecture, Urbanism and Territorial Development: "Romanian Research on the Built Environment - Balance Sheet at a Centenary of Modernity", National Institute of Research and Development in Construction, Urbanism and Sustainable Development URBAN-INCERC, 05 October 2018, Bucharest, Romania, *Using non-contact digital technologies to promote Romanian industrial heritage*.

Sîrodoev Igor, Schwab Andrei, **Merciu Cristina**, The 2018 IGU Thematic Conference dedicated to the centennial of the Institute of Geography RAS "Practical Geography and XXI Century Challenges" June 4-6, 2018, organized by Institute of Geography, Russian Academy of Sciences (Russian Federation), *Challenges and likely solutions to seasonality of seacoast tourism: would cultural attractions be able to work out the issue?*.

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Cercleux Andreea Loreta, **Merciu Florentina-Cristina**, *Urban Regeneration through Cultural Heritage in Romanian Small and Medium Industrial Towns* International Workshop on Urban Regeneration Recycling Urban Voids in Post-Socialist Cities – Methods and Actions to Achieve Urban Regeneration, organizers: Faculty of Geography, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Architecture and Urban Planning, Technical University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania, 31 May – 2 June 2018, Cluj-Napoca.

Merciu Cristina Florentina, Cercleux Loreta-Andreea, Bogan Elena, Merciu George-L., *Restructurarea industrială în orașele mici și mijlocii din Regiunea de Dezvoltare Vest, România*, Conferința Internațională "Satul și orașul între tradiție și viitor", Universitatea Hyperion din București, Facultatea de Științe Sociale, Umaniste și ale Naturii, 26-27 Mai, București

Cercleux Loreta-Andreea, **Merciu Cristina Florentina**, Bogan Elena, *Dezvoltarea orașelor industriale mici și mijlocii din România – Provocări și tendințe*, Conferința Internațională "Satul și orașul între tradiție și viitor", Universitatea Hyperion din București, Facultatea de Științe Sociale, Umaniste și ale Naturii, 26-27 Mai, București

Bogan Elena, Cercleux Loreta-Andreea, **Merciu Cristina Florentina**, *Procesul de regenerare urbană în orașele mici și mijlocii din Județul Alba, România*, Conferința Internațională "Satul și orașul între tradiție și viitor", Universitatea Hyperion din București, Facultatea de Științe Sociale, Umaniste și ale Naturii, 26-27 Mai, București

Merciu Florentina-Cristina, Merciu George-L., Cercleux Andreea Loreta, *The Role of Museums in the Development of Cultural Tourism. Case Study: Bucharest Municipality*, 25th International Economic Conference, Sibiu, Romania, organized by the Lucian Blaga University in collaboration with Universitas Airlangga, Surabaya, Faculty of Economics and Business, Indonesia, May 11-12, 2018, Sibiu, Romania.

Merciu Florentina-Cristina, Ianoș I., Cercleux Andreea Loreta, *Patterns of Migration in Romanian Small and Medium Industrial Towns*, International Scientific Conference: Information Society and Sustainable Development, Vth Edition, April 27-28, 2018, Târgu Jiu, Romania, organised by Constantin Brâncuși University Târgu Jiu, Centrul de Științe Economice Fundamentale și Aplicative, Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, University of Economics Varna, Uniwersytet Szczecinski, Universitatea Ștefan cel Mare din Suceava, Universitate da Coruña.

Merciu Florentina-Cristina, Cercleux Andreea Loreta, Bogan Elena, Merciu George-L., *Industrial restructuring and urban change in the Petroșani mining basin*, International Scientific Conference: Information Society and Sustainable Development, Vth Edition, April 27-28, 2018, Târgu Jiu, Romania, organised by Constantin Brâncuși University Târgu Jiu, Centrul de Științe Economice Fundamentale și Aplicative, Hamburg University of Applied Sciences, University of Economics Varna, Uniwersytet Szczecinski, Universitatea Ștefan cel Mare din Suceava, Universitate da Coruña.

Merciu Florentina-Cristina, Cercleux Andreea Loreta, Bogan Elena, Florea-Saghin Irina, *The economic evolution of small and medium sized industrial towns in Mountain Banat and the impact on the environment*, EUB-2018 International Conference "Ecology of XXIst century", Section Natural Sciences and Ecology "Conservation of Natural and cultural heritage", 2nd of April 2018, organized by the Ecological University of Bucharest, Faculty of Ecology and Environment Protection.

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Bogan Elena, Simon Tamara, Cercleux Andreea Loreta, (Oprea) Constantin Dana Maria, **Merciu Florentina-Cristina**, Grigore Elena, *Sustainable and Integrated Development of the Romanian Rural Area*, EUB-2018 International Conference "Ecology of XXIst century", Section Natural Sciences and Ecology "Conservation of Natural and cultural heritage", 2nd of April 2018, organized by the Ecological University of Bucharest, Faculty of Ecology and Environment Protection.

Cercleux A.L. Ianoș I., **Merciu Florentina Cristina**, Florea-Saghin I., Paraschiv M., *The new post-socialist industrial dynamics a challenge for the Romanian industrial towns and the regional competitiveness*, RSA Conference: The place dimension of cities and regions: governance, industrial development and sustainability, Londra, Marea Britanie, 16-17.11.2017

Yearly International Conference: Geographical Sciences and Future of Earth, Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest, November 18-19 2017, Bucharest, Romania, title of presentation: *Small and medium-sized industrial towns in Romania: differences in demographic evolution / Orașele industriale mici și mijlocii din România: diferențe în evoluția demografică*, authors: Merciu F.-Cristina, Ianoș Ioan, Cercleux Loreta; title of poster: *Promotion of technical museums by way of software open source web-based application / Promovarea muzeelor tehnice cu ajutorul unui software open source web-based application*, authors: Merciu Florentina-Cristina, Merciu George-Laurențiu, Cercleux Loreta

3rd International Conference *Industrial Heritage – Conservation, Cultural Promotion and Intelligent Reuse*, organized by Professional Association of Romanian Geographers, in collaboration with Interdisciplinary Center for Advanced Research on Territorial Dynamics, University of Bucharest and National Centre for Railway Qualification and Training, Bucharest, Romania, 27 October 2017, title of presentation: *Analysis of technical and industrial heritage. Comparative study: Petroșani and Reșița municipalities*, authors: Merciu Cristina, Merciu George-Laurențiu; second presentation: *Deindustrialization and challenges registered by the mining towns from Petroșani Depression in the post-industrial period*,

author: Merciu Cristina.

10th International Conference for Cultural Tourism in Europe *Cultural values, diversity and heritage: pillars of sustainable tourism for development*, 20-21 September 2017, Sibiu, Romania, organized by European Cultural Tourism Network, in the framework of campaign “2017 International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development, European Heritage Days“, title of presentation: *Historical centers of industrial cities aspirants to the tile of cultural tourism destinations*, authors: Merciu Cristina, Merciu George, Cercleux Loreta.

Stoica Ilinca-Valentina, Zamfir Daniela, Săftoiu Luminița Costina, **Merciu Florentina-Cristina**, *Small towns in Romania - Challenges, Governance, Ways Forward*; IGU Thematic Conference on Land Use/Cover Changes, Biodiversity, Health and Environment, Local and Regional Development, Institutul de Geografie al Academiei Romane; Facultatea de Geografie, Universitatea din București, 11-15 septembrie 2017, Tulcea, Romania.

Merciu Cristina, Ianos Ioan, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George-Laurentiu, 11th North Atlantic Forum International Conference organized by University College of Southeast Norway in collaboration with the Research Council of Norway and the European Society for Rural Sociology (ESRS), 13-16 september 2017, Bø, Norway, title of presentation: *Rural regeneration as a form of conservation and cultural reuse of industrial heritage. The case study: Rudaria Mulinologica complex, Romania*.

Merciu George-L., **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Bogan Elena, *The Assessment of the Infant Mortality Rate in Romanian Small and Medium-Sized Industrial Towns Using Spatial Analysis*, GeoPreVi International Symposium *Smart Solutions for a Secure and Valuable Property* organized by Technical University of Civil Engineering Bucharest, Faculty of Geodesy, International Federation of Surveyors, Romanian Surveyors Union and Romanian Association of Private Surveyors and National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration, 14-16 September 2017, Bucharest.

Merciu George-Laurentiu, Ianoș Ioan, Păunescu Vlad, **Merciu Cristina**, *Using GIS to Mapping the Accessibility for an Earthquake Emergency Situation. Case Study: Historic Urban Centre of Bucharest*, GeoPreVi International Symposium *Smart Solutions for a Secure and Valuable Property* organized by Technical University of Civil Engineering Bucharest, Faculty of Geodesy, International Federation of Surveyors, Romanian Surveyors Union and Romanian Association of Private Surveyors and National Agency for Cadastre and Land Registration, 14-16 September 2017, Bucharest.

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Cercleux Loreta, Bogan Elena, **Merciu Florentina-Cristina**, *Clădiri abandonate din București, o sursă importantă a poluării vizuale*, UEB-2017 Conferința Internațională Ecologia secolului XXI, secțiunea Științele Naturii și Ecologie, Ecologia – un atu al dezvoltării durabile, 4 aprilie 2017, București, Romania.

Bogan Elena, Cercleux Loreta, **Merciu Florentina-Cristina**, (Oprea) Constantin Dana Maria, Dîrloman Gabriela, *Politici și strategii privind spațiile verzi urbane. Studiu comparativ: Londra, Marea Britanie și București, Romania*, UEB-2017 Conferința Internațională Ecologia secolului XXI, secțiunea Științele Naturii și Ecologie, Ecologia – un atu al dezvoltării durabile, 4 aprilie 2017, București, Romania.

Merciu Cristina, Cercleux Andreea-Loreta, Merciu George-L, *Romanian Industrial Heritage Assessment in the Light of Cultural Regeneration: Challenges, Opportunities and Solutions for Reuse*, International Conference: *Re-shaping Territories, Environment and Societies: New Challenges for Geography*, organized by University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, Department of Human and Economic Geography, 16-17 November 2016.

Merciu George-L., Păunescu Cornel, **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, 4th Romanian-Bulgarian-Hungarian-Serbian Conference Geographical Research and Cross-Border Cooperation within the Lower Basin of the Danube, organized by: Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski“, Faculty of Geology and Geography „St. Cyril and St. Methodius“ University of Veliko Tarnovo, Department of Geography Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, National Institute of Geophysics, Geodesy and Geography Association of Professional Geographers and Regionalists, Bulgaria, in cooperation with: University of Craiova, Romania West University of Timișoara, Romania Romanian Academy, Institute of Geography, Romania University of Szeged, Hungary University of Pécs, Hungary University of Belgrade, Serbia University of Novi Sad, Serbia ISS – Demographic Research Center, Serbia Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Geographical Institute „Jovan Cvijić“, 15-17 September 2016, Vidin, Bulgaria, poster: *GIS assessment and planning of conservation priorities of historical centers of industrial cities. Case study: Reșița Municipality*.

ECOSMART International Conference – Environment at a Crossroads: SMART approaches for a sustainable future, organized by University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, Department of Regional Geography and Environment, 12-15 November 2015, Bucharest, title of 1 presentation: *Socio-economic and environmental impact assessment of an abandoned uranium mining site. Case study: Ciudanovita (Romania)*, authors: Merciu George-L., **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, title of poster: *A model of development strategy encompassing creative industries to reduce visual pollution - Case study: Strada Franceză, Bucharest's old city*, authors: Cercleux Andreea-Loreta, **Merciu Cristina**, Merciu George-L.

8th Annual Conference *Industrial Heritage: Prospects for Sustainable Tourism Development*, organized by European Cultural Tourism Network, in the framework of campaign 'European Industrial and Technical Heritage Year 2015', 18-19 September 2015, Riga, Letonia, title of the presentation: *Reuse of industrial buildings for cultural, leisure, educational and tourism purposes*, authors: Merciu Cristina, Merciu George.

EUGEO Congress *Convergences and Divergences of Geography in Europe*, organized by Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Association of Geographical Societies in Europe and Eötvös Loránd University, 30 August-02 September 2015, Budapest, Hungary, title of poster: *Cultural conversion of water towers – a tool for conserving industrial heritage assets*, authors: **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George, Păunescu Vlad.

International Conference Danube Partnership for Growth, organised by Vidin Municipality and District Information Centre-Vidin, 21-22nd May 2015, Vidin, Bulgaria, title of presentation: *A cross-border cooperation framework for smarter projects connected with development of South Eastern European periphery*, author: Merciu Cristina.

Conferința aniversară a INCD URBAN-INCERC și ediția a IX a Conferinței de Cercetare în Construcții, Economia Construcțiilor, Arhitectură, Urbanism și Dezvoltare: '65 de ani de cercetare în construcții, arhitectură și urbanism. De la INCERC la INCD URBAN-INCERC, 1950-2015', 13-15 mai 2015, București, titlul prezentării: *Regenerarea urbană prin cultură - un catalizator al orașelor post-industriale*, autori: **Merciu Cristina**, Merciu George, Cercleux Loreta.

Symposium 10th Years of EU Eastern Enlargement – The Geographical Balance of a Courageous Step, organised by Austrian Academy of Sciences, Institute of Urban and Regional Research in cooperation with Austrian Geographical Society (ÖGG), Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM) Southeast Europe Association (SOG), *Conversion of industrial heritage as a tool of cultural regeneration*, authors: **Merciu Cristina**, Merciu George, Cercleux Loreta, Ianoș Ionuț, 03-04 decembrie 2014, Viena.

The 3th Romanian-Bulgarian-Hungarian-Serbian Conference Geographical Research and Cross-Border cooperation within the Lower basin of the Danube, organized de University of Belgrad, Faculty of Geography, University of Novisad, Faculty of Sciences, Department of Geography, Tourism and Hotel Management, in collaboration with University of Craiova, Romania, West University from Timișoara, Romania, University of Szeged, Hungary University of Pécs, Hungary, St. Kliment Ohridski University of Sofia, Bulgaria, South-West University "Neofit Rilski", Bulgaria ISS - Demographic Research Center, Serbia Geography Institute of the Romanian Academy, Romania Geographical Institute "Jovan Cvijić", Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Serbia, 18-20 septembrie 2014, titlul prezentării: *Tourism and territorial planning. Case study: Ploiesti-Bucuresti-Giurgiu axis of development (Romania)* (Tălângă Cristian, **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta), titlul poster: *Re-use of industrial and technical heritage as a tool for regeneration of post-industrial territories* (**Merciu Cristina**, Tălângă Cristian, Cercleux Loreta).

22nd Annual Colloquium Commission on the Sustainability of Rural Systems, International Geographical Union: *Rural Life and rural systems between tradition and integrated urban-rural development*, organizat de Centrul de Cercetări Avansate asupra Dinamicii Teritoriale, 24 august-3 septembrie 2014, title of presentation: *Rethinking Rural Space through the Local Identity and Heritage Approach. Case Study Petroșani Depression (Hunedoara County, Romania)*, **Merciu Florentina-Cristina**, Cercleux Andreea-Loreta, Merciu George Laurentiu, Tălângă Cristian.

6th International Conference Rural Space and Local Development, Peripheral Rural Areas between Certain Existence and Uncertain Development, Cluj, 23-27 July 2014, title of presentation: *Decentralization and Rural Development in Romania*, authors: Ianos Ionut Lucian, **Merciu Cristina**.

V ème Colloque roumain – algérien – français : *Directions contemporaines dans l'étude du territoire. La gestion du territoire, des aléas et de la ville*, 27 May 2014, organized by the Faculty of Geography, University of Bucharest, poster 1: *Analyse géographique de la présence de graffitis sur les murs de métropoles. Étude de cas : la ville de Bucarest (Roumanie)* (Cercleux Loreta, **Merciu Cristina**), poster 2: *La reconversion fonctionnelle des auberges et des hôtels du patrimoine de Bucarest (Roumanie)* (autori: **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George-Laurențiu).

Academic Geography of Timisoara at the 55th Anniversary, organized by West University of Timisoara, Faculty of Chemistry, Biology, Geography, Department of Geography, 16-17 May 2014, title: *Best practices models and proposals for industrial heritage elements reuse as tourism resources*, authors: **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George.

Merciu Cristina, Séminaire International 2H2S *Gouvernance e région métropolitaine. La participation citoyenne à la decision politique dans le cadre de la région métropolitaine Berlin-Branderbourg une aproche interculturelle*, organizat de Humboldt Universität / Berlin – Université Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense, 10-12.042014, Berlin, title: *Accessibility and connectivity characteristics in the Bucharest Metropolitan area*.

International Conference: Environment, Society and Geospatial Technology, organized by the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, Department of Geomorphology-Pedology-Geomatics, 16th-17th November 2013, title of 1 presentation: *Industrial clusters-an opportunity for the regional development in Romania?*, authors: Cercleux Loreta, **Merciu Cristina**; title of 2nd presentation: *Effects of economic restructuring process in Bucharest and the metropolitan area*, autori: Ianoș Ioan, **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Văidianu Natașa

International Conference: “Culture and Computer Science. Visual View and Interactive Spaces”, organizată de University of Applied Science Berlin, în colaborare cu Muzeul Pergamon și Alcatel-Lucent, 22-25 May 2013, Berlin, Germania, *Territorial extentions and the differences in architecture in the city of Reșița Boroughs (Romania) using Geographical Information System* (authors: Merciu George-Laurentiu, **Merciu Cristina**, Peptenatu D.);

International Conference: “Design, art, education”, organizată de Universitatea de Arhitectură Ion Mincu, 09-10 May 2013, Bucharest, Romania, *Conversion of industrial heritage as vector for cultural regeneration* (**Merciu Cristina**, Merciu George-L., Cercleux Loreta, Draghici C.);

International Conference: “Architecture between old and new”, organizată de Institutul Național de Cercetare-Dezvoltare în Construcții, Urbanism și Dezvoltare Durabilă URBAN-INCERC, 19 April 2013, București, poster: *The analysis of the inns and hotels in Bucharest in relation to the evolution of the local entrepreneurial spirit* (Cercleux Loreta, **Merciu Cristina**).

International Conference “Understanding Land, People and Environment: Research and Teaching perspectives in Geography”, organizata de Facultatea de Geografie, Departamentul de Geografie Umana si Economica, Universitatea din Bucuresti, 10-11.12.2012, Bucuresti, prezentare 1: *Assessing the role of Bucharest-Sofia-Athens axis in the territorial development of the South-Eastern Europe* (Ianoș I., **Merciu Cristina**, Schwab A., Cercleux L.); presentation 2: *Effects of the economic crisis in the labour market changes at the European Union level* (Ianoș I., **Merciu Cristina**, Văidianu N.).

International Conference „Pro Mountain: Tourism-Environment-Sustainable Development”, 07-09 September 2012, Bușteni, organized by the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Geography, Center for Regional Analyses in Tourism-Environment-Sustainable Development, *Winter sport tourism – a challenge for sustainable development. Case study: the Parâng resort (Romania)* (**Merciu Cristina**, Peptenatu D., Cercleux Loreta, Merciu G., Drăghici C., Pintilii R.).

International Conference: 2H2S European Research Consortium for Social and Human Sciences - XI International Seminar "Entrepreneurial Initiatives and Regional Development: European Comparisons", Valencia (Spania), 15-20 July 2012, organizers: Universitat de Valencia, Instituto Interuniversitario de Desarrollo Local (UJI y UVEG), Universitat Jaume. Titlul comunicării: *Capitalization of Romanian industrial heritage as cultural resource for revitalisation of territories*, **Merciu Cristina**, Văidianu Natașa, Stoian Daniela, Merciu G., Schwab A.

3rd International Conference Heritage and Sustainable Development, Porto (Portugalia), 18-23.06. 2012, *Industrial Heritage of Petroșani and Reșița cities – cultural approach*, **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Peptenatu D., Merciu G., Drăghici C., Pintilii R.

3rd International Conference Heritage and Sustainable Development, Porto (Portugalia), 18-23 iunie 2012, titlul prezentării: *Cultural tourism crossing the integrated development of the Bucharest metropolitan area*, Ianoș I., Pintilii R., Peptenatu D., Draghici C., **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta.

4th International Symposium of Geography: Landscape: Perception, Knowledge, Awareness and Action, organizator: Spiru Haret University, Faculty of Geography and Geography of Tourism, 11-13 mai 2012, București-Sărata Monteoru. Poster 1: “Ways of capitalization of the water towers - a new form of technical and industrial heritage in Romania” (a: Cercleux Loreta, Pintilii R., **Merciu Cristina**, Stoian Daniela). Poster 2: „The dynamics of the entrepreneurial sector in the emmergent territorial systems”, (Cristian Draghici, D. Peptenatu, Loreta Cercleux, **Cristina Merciu**);

International Conference “Rencontre internationale sur le Patrimoine Architectural Méditerranéen” (RIPAM 4), organizatori: Universitatea M’sila, L’institute de Gestion et Techniques Urbaines et le Laboratoire Techniques Urbaines et Environment, 10-12 aprilie 2012, M’sila, Algeria. Titlu poster: “Le patrimoine architectural de Roumanie associe a l’industrie – perspectives de conservation et mise en valeur”, (Cercleux Loreta, **Cristina Merciu**, Peptenatu D., Drăghici C., Pintilii R.);

1st WSEAS International Conference on Tourism and Economic Development (TED '11), organiser: University Center Drobeta Turnu Severin, Drobeta, 27-29 October 2011, „Revival of industrial towns through the cultural regeneration - a viable solution?” (**Merciu Cristina**, Peptenatu Daniel, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George, Drăghici Cristian, Pintilii Radu).

8th International Conference “Man-City-Nature” – New Processes and Structures, organizată de Institute of Geography and Department of Urban and Recreation Studies of Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń, Polonia, 17-

18.10.2011. Titlul abstractului: *The role of technical museums in the regeneration of industrial functional restructuring areas. Case Study: Romania*, **Merciu Cristina**, Peptenatu Daniel, Cercleux Loreta, Drăghici Cristian, Pintilii Radu, Merciu George.

6 th Biental International Conference “Vestiges of Industry”: *Industrial heritage – on the edge*, organized by Department of Architecture, Faculty of Civil Engineering, University of Prague, Czech Republic, Research Centre for Industrial Heritage, National Technical Museum, 14-16 octombrie 2011, “Regeneration of functionally-reorganized industrial facilities: the conversion of the Aninoasa mine into a eco-museum (Romania)”, **Merciu F.-Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta.

International Conference: "Contemporary Trends in Tourism and Hospitality" CTTH 2011, organizer: Departamentul de Geografie, Turism și Management Hotelier, Universitatea de Științe, Novi Sad, 29-30.09.2011. Titlul comunicării: “Capitalization of industrial heritage *in situ* between preservation, controversy and cultural recognition worldwide. Case study: Roșia Montană mine (Romania)”, **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George.

International Conference: *On the surface, the heritage of mines and mining*, organized by the Center for Tourism and Cultural Change, Leeds Metropolitan University UK, in collaboration with European Department of History and Ethnology and Innsbruck University, 14-16 April 2011, Innsbruck, Austria, *Industrial Heritage Assets in Romania. Case study: the Petroșani Coal-Mining Basin*, Merciu Cristina.

International Conference „Geografie și Educație”, București, România, Universitatea din Bucharest, Facultatea de Geografie, 29 september – 3 october 2010, *Analisis of tehcnical and industiral heritage. Comparative study: Petrosani and Resita cities* (**Merciu Cristina**, Merciu George).

International Conference „Challenges and performance of post socialist tourism in Central Eastern European Countries”, organized by the Department of Human and Economic Geography, University of Buccharest incollaboration with Ministerul of Devopolment and Tourism, 26-28 May 2011, *Railway tourism in Romania - opportunities and limits in development*, (Braghină Cristian, **Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta, Merciu George, Văidianu Natașa).

3rd International Symposium of Geography *Landscapes: Perception, Knowledge, Awareness and Action*, organized by the University Spiru Haret, Faculty of Geography and Geography of Tourism, April 2011, *Industrial landscape between abandonment and conservation. Case study: Petroșani coal basin* (**Merciu Cristina**, Cercleux Loreta).

XIV International Congress TICCIH *Industrial Heritage, Ecology and Economy*, organizat de International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage (TICCIH), Freiberg, Germania, 30 August – 5 septembrie 2009: *Industrial Tourism – An Opportunity for the Economic Development of the Petroșani Depression. Case Study: Aninoasa Mine (Romania)*, (**Iancu Florentina-Cristina**, Merciu George-Laurențiu).

International Geography Symposium: *Landscapes: Perception, Knowledge, Awareness, and Action*, University Spiru Haret, Faculty of Geography and Geography of Tourism, 4 april 2009, *Natural landscape versus cultural landscape: evolution of landscapes in Petroșani Depression* (**Iancu Cristina**).

International Conference: *High and complex economic development of rural and regional space*, The Academy of Economic Studies Bucharest, 25-26 September 2009, *Necesitatea diversificării economiei rurale ca premisă a dezvoltării așezărilor rurale din Depresiunea Petroșani* (Iancu Cristina).

International Conference: *High and complex economic development of rural and regional space*, The Academy of Economic Studies Bucharest, september 2008, *The opportunity to develop rural tourism in the Petrosani Depression* (**Iancu Cristina**).

Participation on summer schools / training stages:

July 27 – August 3, 2014: participation in the *Anina Mine of Ideas – Interdisciplinary Workshop for Post-Industrial Regeneration*, Anina, Romania, organized by Association Green Alba (Alba Verde).

September 01 – September 15, 2012: participation in the summer school: *Roșia Montană: Traditional local resources and contemporary technology for heritage protection* organized by the Architecture. Restoration. Archaeology (ARA) Association.

September 30 – October 7, 2012: participation in the training module *Advanced methods in Geography* organized by the Institute of Geography, University of Bamberg.