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Previous research experience

October 2019 -
September 2020

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Spiru Haret Fellowship Program, New Europe College

- Design the project *The interplay between formal and informal actors in Romanian Circular Migration: A comparison between the agricultural sector in Italy and the Construction Sector in Germany*.
- Carry out qualitative research in two Romanian villages: interviews with key informants and migrants who work in agriculture, as well as non-participant observation.
- Participate in academic events hosted by New Europe College.

January –
April 2019

Research Assistant, Barriers and drivers to vaccination in Romania: a focused ethnographic study, World Health Organization

- Worked part of a team of health anthropologist, sociologist and health workers.
- Carried out ethnographic fieldwork in two rural and two urban communities in Romania: semi-structured observations during 65 vaccine consultation, 80 interviews with health workers, caregivers, Roma mediators, Roma representatives, social workers.
- Participated in team meetings, weekly calls and one workshop with key stakeholders.

November 2017-
December 2017
February-
March 2018

Research Consultant for Development of Plans for the De - Institutionalization of Children and the Transfer to Community - Based Care, National Child Protection Authority

- Worked part of a team of ≈ 30 researchers.
- Carried out 40 Interviews with representatives of the General Directorate for Social Assistance and Child Protection employees, as well as with parents of children living in residential centers.
- Carried out data collection activities and drew up data bases of alternative services that children might benefit from in the future (Professional Foster Carers, Placement with Relatives and other Social Services).
- Participated in team meetings and weekly calls.

October 2015-
December 2016

Guest Researcher, Institute of Geography, Friedrich – Alexander University, Erlangen-Nuremberg

- Carried out 40 interviews with Romanian workers posted to Germany in construction and meat processing sectors, with representatives of German unions (NGG, IG-BAU, DGB) and with migrant advisors for mobile workers.
- Carried out participant observation as a translator during union attempts to organize Romanian workers and non-participant observation at migrant's work and accommodation sites.
- Carried out data analysis.
- Attended group meetings at the Institute of Geography

Education

October 2014-
July 2018

PhD, Department of Sociology and Social Work, University of Bucharest

Title: Posted Migration of Romanians working in the construction and meat industry sectors.

Principal supervisor: Prof. Dumitru Sandu

October 2012-
July 2014

Master in Journalism and Political Communication, Faculty of Journalism and Communication Studies, University of Bucharest

October 2008-
July 2011

Bachelor in Sociology, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, University of Bucharest

October 2010-
February 2011

Erasmus Scholarship, Viadrina University, Frankfurt (Oder), Germany

October 2008-
February 2012

Bachelor in Communication and Public Relations, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, University of Bucharest

Teaching experience

February 2015-
June 2015

Professor's Assistant, Social Stratification Course, Bachelor level, Faculty of Sociology, University of Bucharest

Research grants

Spiru Haret Post-Doctoral Fellowship, sponsored through a grant from UEFISCDI - The Romanian Executive Unit for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding, October 2019 - September 2020.

DAAD Research Grant for PhD Candidates and Young Academics - short term, October 2016 - December 2016.

DAAD Research Grant for PhD Candidates and Young Academics - long term, October 2015- July 2016.

PhD Scholarship, 2014-2017.

Publications

Voivozeanu, A. (2019). Precarious Posted Migration: The Case of Romanian Construction and Meat-Industry Workers in Germany. *Central and Eastern European Migration Review*, 8(2), 85-99.

Voivozeanu, A. (in press). The migration infrastructure of posting: transnational informality. In R. Turaneva, R. Urinbayev (Eds.), *Mobilities and informality in post-socialist spaces*. Routledge.

Voivozeanu, A. (in press). Romanian posted workers in Germany: working conditions. In F. Perroco, R. Cillo (Eds.). *Posted Workers*. Ca' Foscari University of Venice.

Work in progress

Voivozeanu, A. Mobility strategies of Romanian seasonal workers. *The Social Change Review*.

Voivozeanu, A. Recruitment channels of Romanians working in agriculture abroad. *New Europe College Yearbook*, 2019-2020.

Conferences

2018. The Migration Infrastructure of Posting, The 2nd Annual Conference of the Romanian Network for Migration Studies, Timișoara.

2017. Union and migrant advisory offices approaches towards posted workers in Germany, 13th Conference of the European Sociological Association, Athens.

2016. Why do Romanian workers remain in posted employment in Germany? The 2nd Annual Conference of the Balkan Migration Network: Migration in the Western Balkans: What do we know?, Sarajevo.

2016. Precarious posted employment: Romanian construction and meat industry workers, The 18th Nordic Migration Conference, Oslo.

2016. How do legal migration facilitators operate? Posting construction workers in Germany, The 16th Annual Conference RGS-IBG, London.

2016. On Romanian workers' interaction with German unions: Case study, Conference organized within the EU project *Transnational Cooperation between the counseling office for posted workers and public Authorities*, Nuremberg.

Short-term Visiting Fellowships and Summer Schools

2020. Visiting Fellow, Center for Advanced Studies - South Eastern Europe, Rijeka, Croatia

2017. The 7th Berlin Summer School in Social Sciences, Linking Theory and Empirical Research, Humboldt University and Berlin Social Science Center

Media coverage

2020. "Es brauch eine EU-weite Kontrolle." Published by Süddeutsche Zeitung. Available at: <https://www.sueddeutsche.de/wirtschaft/schlachthoefe-standards-saisonarbeiter-1.4944719>

Languages

Romanian	Native
English	Proficient
German	Fluent (B2-C1 level)