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"Cercetătorii viitorului /The researchers of the future"
**Regional Career Guidance Centre for Researchers – South-
West Oltenia Region (CROC)**

Programme

15th of June 2026, Room 444

10.30-11.00 Participant Registration

11.00-11.30

Opening Session – “University Research in Romania: Structural Challenges, European Models, and Effective Drivers of Change”

Professor, PhD CEZAR-IONUȚ SPÎNU – Rector of the University of Craiova

Professor, PhD NICOLAE DUMITRU - Vice-Rector for Scientific Research and Relations with the Economic Environment, University of Craiova

Professor, PhD NICU GEORGE BÎZDOACĂ - Vice-Rector for Structural Funds and Digitalization, University of Craiova

Associate Professor, PhD ALEXANDRINA MIHAELA POPESCU – Project Director
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11,30-12,30

„Future Researchers in Today’s Europe: What Must We Change Today for Romanian Science to Make an Impact Tomorrow?”

Professor, PhD. Antonio AYALA, University of Sevilla - *Ha nacido ya el ultimo ombre viejo?*

Associate Professor, PhD Anca-Parmena OLIMID, University of Craiova – *Research Careers in Europe: Analytical Approaches to Professional Development*

12,30-13,00

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Professor, PhD Anca MEHEDINȚU, University of Craiova - *Enhancing Research Performance through Advanced Career Guidance Services for Researchers*

Associate Professor, PhD Florentina MOGONEA – *A Synthesis of Findings from Romanian Researcher Training Programmes*

Associate Professor, PhD Ecaterina Sarah FRĂSINEANU – *Outcomes of the Foreign Researchers Training Programme Conducted within the Regional Career Guidance Centre for Researchers – South-West Oltenia Region*

13,00-13,30 Coffee break

13,30-14,00, Room 277

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Professor, PhD Titela VÎLCEANU, University of Craiova – *Networking as a Strategic Resource: Connecting, Collaborating, and Performing in the Research Ecosystem*

Associate Professor, PhD Iulian Petrișor, University of Craiova - *Promoting Research Among Young People in the South-West Oltenia Region*

Associate Professor, PhD Gabriela MOTOI, University of Craiova – *Exploring the Need for Research Career Guidance: Results of a Needs Assessment at the University of Craiova*

14,00-16,00

Cooperation with similar centres from other development regions

1. Career Guidance for Researchers (UBB-CORE) – Cluj-Napoca
2. South-East Regional Center for Research Career Guidance – AD.AUGUSTA, Constanța
3. Research Career Counselling and Guidance Centre – Western Region (CeCOCe-West), Timișoara
4. COACH USV – Centre for Research Career Guidance and Counseling in the North-East Region – Suceava
5. SciResCareer – Bucharest–Ilfov Regional Centre
6. COCerc – Centre for Research Career Guidance and Development, Central Region – Sibiu
7. CNDCSM – Networking and Research Career Development Centre in the South-Muntenia Region – Târgoviște



16th of June 2026, Room 277

11,00-12,30

Round table: Meaning, Language, and Experience: A Dialogue Between Linguistics and Psychology, Assistant Professor, PhD Mihaela Delia Cristea, University Pablo de Olavide, Sevilla

12,30-13,00

Conference conclusions: Associate Professor, PhD ALEXANDRINA MIHAELA POPESCU – Project Director *Cercetătorii viitorului/The researchers of the future*