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CURRENT POSITIONS

Researcher, Research Institute for Quality of Life, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania	Dec 2015 - present
Adjunct Professor ¹ , SNSPA ² , Bucharest, Romania	Oct 2013 – present

EDUCATION

PhD in Sociology, SNSPA, Bucharest, Romania Thesis: `Good students` and school performance. Social differences and educational opportunities in Romanian Educational System Supervisor: Prof. Vladimir Pasti	2013-2016
Visiting Doctoral Student, Complutense University of Madrid	Mar 2015 – Jul 2015
Master of Arts in Fundamental Studies in Sociology, SNSPA, Bucharest, Romania	2011-2013
Master of Arts in Political Science, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary (LLP-ERASMUS 3-month study scholarship)	Jan 2013 – April 2013
Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, SNSPA, Bucharest, Romania	2008-2011
Postgraduate Course in Psycho-pedagogy SNSPA, Bucharest, Romania Modules I and II	2008-2013

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Social inequality, sociology of education, social change in post-socialist Romania, social policy, quality of life, mixed methods research.

TEACHING:

Courses: Research methodology; Welfare state, Romanian Post-socialism: context and evolutions, Social research paradigms.

Seminars: Fundamental Concepts in Sociology; Social Change and Conflict in Post-communist Romania, Political Sociology, Educational Policy, Qualitative research methods.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2017-2018 Statistician in the project “SIPOCA 9: Consolidating the framework for increasing the quality of public services and supporting local development”, implemented by SNSPA and the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration.
2016-2017 Researcher in the project “Analyzing educational achievement of 15-Year-Olds in Romania”, implemented by Center for the Study of Democracy, Cluj-Napoca, financed by Open Society Foundation.
2015-2016 – PhD Candidate Researcher in the project “Morality and Violence in the Processes of Defining Political, PN-II-RU-TE-2014-4-1999, implemented by SNSPA, Bucharest.

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² National School of Political Science and Public Administration

2015-2016 – Sociologist in the project „The assessment of the ecosystem services provided by protected areas in Romania – ValueEcoServ”, implemented by the National Centre for Sustainable Development, funded by EEA and Norway Grants
2015 – Field coordinator in the projects: “Access to lifelong learning for children and youth” and „ The correlation between lifelong learning and socio-educative integration”, implemented by Concept Electronics SRL, funded by European Social Fund, European Commission.
2015 – Research assistant the project “Pro-democracy in local communities”, implemented by Pro-democracy Association, financed by SEE 2009-2014 grants.
2013-2014 – Sociologist in the project “Improvement of the biodiversity conservation status in the protected natural areas managed by the Constanta Forest District”, implemented by “Parteneri pentru Democrație și Dezvoltare” Association, Bucharest.
2013 – Coordinator of the field research in the project “Experimental methods in the assessment of the political corruption at the local level”, implemented by Political Science Department – SNSPA and Columbia University (USA).
2012-2013 – Research assistant in the project “Construction and implementation of an innovative, interdisciplinary doctoral program regarding the Roma issue”, implemented by SNSPA, funded by European Social Fund, European Commission.
2010-2013 – Data operator in the project: „ The development of the aptitudes and interest for theoretical and applied scientific research at the BA and MA level in the field of social and political, funded by European Social Fund, European Commission.
2011-2012 – Research assistant in the research activities related to the elaboration of the antropic impact study in the Nature 2000 site “Grădiștea, Căldărușani, Dridu”.

ARTICLES (in internationally indexed journals)

Țoc, Sebastian. 2018. Legitimizing the post-socialist transformation in Romania. <i>Calitatea vieții</i> 29(2), 145-161
Florian, Bogdan and Sebastian Țoc. 2018. What happens to policies when assuming institutions? A short story about Romania's never-ending educational reform. <i>European Education</i> 50 (4), 320-335.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2016. Familie, școală și succes școlar în învățământul liceal românesc (Family, school and school success in Romanian secondary education). <i>Calitatea vieții</i> 27 (3), 189-215.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2015. COMENTARIU LA ARTICOLUL <i>Percepția inegalităților economice</i> , de Mihai DUMITRU, publicat în numărul 2, 2014, al Revistei Calitatea Vieții (Comments on the article <i>Perception of economic inequality</i>). <i>Calitatea vieții</i> 26 (1), 89-92.
Țoc, Sebastian and Andreea Gheba. 2015. Family background, gender and reading achievement in Romania. <i>Sfera Politicii</i> 24(2), 83-92.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2013. Diferențe sociale în dobândirea performanței școlare la elevii din România (Social differences in the academic performance of Romanian students). <i>Perspective politice</i> 6 (2), 97-112.
Buzoianu, Cătălin and Sebastian Țoc. 2013. Misunderstanding opportunities: (post-)resettlement issues in the Recea neighbourhood of Alba Iulia. <i>Journal of Comparative Research in Anthropology and Sociology</i> 4 (1), 21-40.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2012. Strămutare și cultură materială. Mecanisme de adaptare la un nou stil de viață în urma mutării de la Roșia Montană în cartierul Recea, Alba Iulia (Resettlement and material culture. Mechanisms to Adapt to a New Lifestyle Following Relocation from Roșia Montană to Recea Neighbourhood in Alba Iulia). <i>Societatea Reală</i> 4 (1), 80-95.

VOLUME CHAPTERS

Zamfir, Cătălin (coord.). Ionuț Anghel, Dan Banciu, Sorin Cace, Alin Casapu, Alexandra Deliu, Mircea Dumitrana, Mihai Dumitru, Sebastian Fitzek, Monica Marin, Adina Mihăilescu, Flavius Mihalache, Vasile Morar, Ana Maria Preoteasa, Mihnea Preotesi, Viorica Rotaru, Mona Simu, Mariana Stanciu, Iulian Stănescu, Simona Stănescu, Monica Șerban, Mălina Voicu, Laurențiu Tănase, Sebastian Țoc, Elena Zamfir (authors). 2018. <i>Istoria socială a României 1918-2018</i> . București: Editura Academiei Române.
Ungureanu, Radu and Sebastian Țoc. 2017. Perspectives on violence. Methodological reflections from a global survey with social researchers. Proceedings of 4th ACADEMOS Conference: The Quality of Democracy in the New Political Era by Andrei Țăranu (ed.), Bucharest, Romania, 15-18 June 2017. Filodiritto International Proceedings.
Zamfir, Cătălin (coord.) Sorin Cace, Elena Zamfir, Alexandra Deliu, Elena Tudor, Ionuț Marian Anghel, Sebastian Țoc, Delia Bădoi (authors). 2017. Proiect de țară: Calitatea vieții 2016-2038. In <i>Strategia de Dezvoltare a României în următorii 20 de ani</i> (vol. III - Sinthesis) (coord. Ionel-Valentin Vlad).
Nimu, Andrada, Sebastian Țoc and Arpad Todor. 2016. Implicarea ONG-urilor în procesul de consultare publică, promovarea bunei guvernări și a calității democrației la nivel local. In <i>Societate civilă, democrație și construcție instituțională</i> , by Andrada Nimu, Cristian Pîrvulescu, Todor Arpad. Iași: Polirom.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2015. Stratificarea oportunităților de participare la educație în sistemul de învățământ din România. în <i>Perspective pentru cercetarea în educație</i> (ed. Simona Sava). București: Editura Universitară, 290-307.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2012. Rezistența la schimbare și noi practici ale spațiului în Chilia Veche. În Bogdan Iancu și Monica Stroe (coord.) <i>La masa cu oamenii Deltei: o cartografiere a practicilor gastronomice</i> . București: Coresi, 185-198.
Ivan, Loredana, Duduciuc, Alina, Țoc, Sebastian. 2011. Competența nonverbală și succesul academic. Rolul rețelelor sociale în predicția performanțelor studenților. În Loredana Ivan și Alina Duduciuc (eds.). <i>Comunicare nonverbală și construcții sociale</i> . București: Tritonic.

RESEARCH REPORTS

Zamfir, Cătălin (coord.), Sorin Cace, Elena Zamfir, Alexandra Deliu, Elena Tudor, Ionuț Marian Anghel, Sebastian Țoc, Delia Bădoi, Adina Mihăilescu, Eugen Glăvan (autori). (2017). Starea socială a României. Calitatea vieții: situația actuală și perspective pentru 2038. Raport social al ICCV, București: Academia Română.
Nedelciu, Eduard, Țoc Sebastian, Rodica Frecăuțanu. 2017. Plan local de acțiune pentru mediu al municipiului Bălți 2017-2020. AO Caroma Nord, Bălți, Moldova.
Adamescu, Mihai, Constantin Cazacu, Georgia Arhire, Florian Nițu, Sebastian Țoc, Costel Negrei, Erika Marin. 2016. Ghid metodologic pentru evaluarea rapidă a serviciilor ecosistemice în ariile protejate din România. București: Centrul Național pentru Dezvoltare Durabilă.
Todor, Arpad, Andrada Nimu and Sebastian Țoc. 2015. Analiza calității implicării ONG-urilor locale în procesul de consultare publică, promovarea bunei guvernări și a calității democrației la nivel local. Asociația Pro Democrația. București.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Florian, Bogdan and Sebastian Țoc. 2018. Tackling Early School Leaving: Are System Level Policies Effective?, presented at the International Conference "Reducing early school leaving in the EU: a comparative qualitative and quantitative research (RESL.eu project), 22-24 January 2018, University of Antwerp, Belgium
Țoc, Sebastian. 2017. Social Selection in the Romanian Education System. A Case Study in an Elite High School in Bucharest, presented at 13th ESA Conference - (Un)Making Europe: Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities Athens 29.08.2017 – 01.09.2017.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2016. 'Good students' and school performance. A qualitative study of Romanian students in an elite high school, presented at <i>Interdisciplinary perspectives in Central and Eastern Europe Historiography – Social Science Panel</i> , Timișoara, România, 23-27 November 2016
Țoc, Sebastian. 2016. "Meritocracy and Institutional Prestige in Romanian Education", presented at <i>International Mid-term Conference: ESA – European Sociological Association – RN10 – Sociology of Education</i> , Milan, Italy, 12 - 13 September 2016
Florian, Bogdan and Sebastian Țoc. 2015. "What happens to policies when assuming institutions? A short story about Romania's never-ending educational reform", presented at Conferința Națională a SSR și Colocviul Internațional de Științe Sociale și ale Comunicării ACUM, Brașov, România, 19-21 November 2015
Țoc, Sebastian. 2015. "Family Background, Institutional Prestige and Meritocracy in a Romanian High School", presented at <i>International Interdisciplinary Doctoral Conference</i> , Bucharest, Romania, 25-26 September 2015
Țoc, Sebastian. 2014. „Stratificarea oportunitatilor de participare la educatie în sistemul de învățământ din România”, presented at <i>Conferinta Națională de Cercestare în Educație „Calitate în educație</i> , Timișoara, România, 10-11 October 2014
Țoc, Sebastian and Andreea Gheba. 2014. "Family background, gender and reading achievement in Romania", presented at <i>International Interdisciplinary Conference "Challenges of Transition: The Post-Communist Experiences</i> , Bucharest, Romania, 30-31 May 2014
Țoc, Sebastian. 2013. "Social Differences in the Academic Performance among Romanian High-School Students", presented at <i>Romanian Sociological Association International Conference "Towards the Good Society - European Perspectives"</i> , Bucharest, Romania 24-26 October 2013
Buzoianu, Cătălin and Sebastian Țoc. 2013. "(Post-) Resettlement Issues: The Recea neighborhood resettlement project", presented at <i>11th International "Border Crossings" Student Conference</i> , Bucharest, Romania.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2012. "Resettlement and material culture: mechanisms of adaptation to a new lifestyle after moving from Roșia Montană to Recea neighborhood of Alba Iulia city", presented at <i>9th Annual Conference of the Romanian Society for Social and Cultural Anthropology (SASC) "Transformations of the state"</i> , Bucharest, Romania.
Țoc, Sebastian. 2012. "Resettlement and reconstruction. Recea neihborhood, Alba Iulia", presented at the <i>2nd International Conference of the Romanian Sociological Society (RSS)</i> , Bucharest, Romania, 31 May - 3 June 2012.

Language skills

Mother tongue

Romanian

Other languages

	Understanding		Speaking		Writing
	Listening	Reading	Spoken Interaction	Oral Speech	
English	C1	C1	B2	B2	C1
French	B1	B1	A2	A2	B1
Spanish	B1	B1	B1	B1	A2

OTHER

Participant at “ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques”, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia, 23 July 2015 – 08 August 2015

European Sociological Association (ESA) Member (since 2017)

Doctoral researcher (2015-2016) in the project “Morality and Violence in the Processes of Defining Political Communities” (PN-II-RU-TE-2014-4), funded provided by the Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation Funding (UEFISCDI), with the organizational support of SNSPA.

Editor, Romanian Journal of Society and Politics (December 2014 - July 2016)

Co-Coordinator of the 1st edition of the Annual Student Conference of the Faculty of Political Science (SNSPA), 14-15 March 2014, Bucharest, Romania; Co-coordinator of the 2nd edition of the Annual Student Conference of the Faculty of Political Science (SNSPA), 20-21 March 2015, Bucharest, Romania.