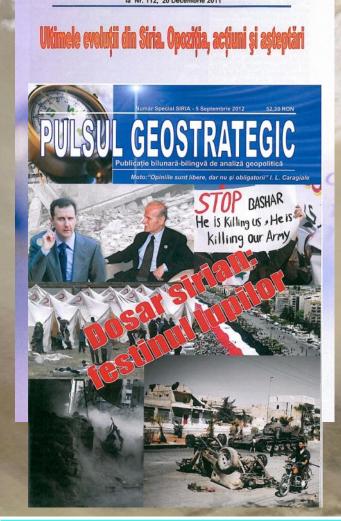
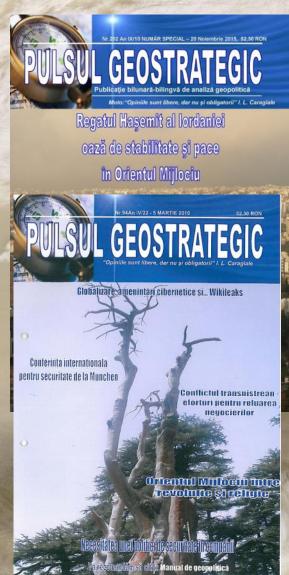
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The City of Braşov on the orbit of contemporary geopolitical concerns



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Between 22nd – 27th of May 2018, "Henri Coandă" Air Force Academy in Brașov organized the twentieth edition of the Conference "Scientific Research and Education in the Air Force- AFASES 2018", in partnership with "Transilvania" University of Brașov and The Armed Forces Academy "Gl. M.R. Stefanik" of Liptovsky Mikulas, Slovakia.

The academic event enjoyed the support of INGEPO Consulting Braşov, which signed previously a protocol of cooperation with "Henri Coandă" Air Force Academy. As a matter of fact and as a consequence of this, one of the most distinguished academic foreign guest who took part at the event as keynote speaker, upon the invitation of "Henri Coandă" Air Force Academy, was the management. professor dr. Anis H. Bajrektarevic in Viena, who published previously several articles in "Geostrategic Pulse" magazine issued by INGEPO Consulting Braşov.

The official opening of the Conference took place on May 22nd 2018, in the Main Conference Room of "Henri Coandă" Air Force Academy, with the attendance of several high representative guests such as: Graţiela Gavrilescu, vice prime - minister of the Romanian Government, Minister of Environment, Ionel Minea, secretary of state with the Ministry of Transport, Lt. Gen Laurian Anastasof, Military Counselor with the Ministry of National De-



fense, Brig Gen Vasile Toader, deputy of the Romanian Air Force Staff for Operations and Training, Brig Gen (Ret) Răduț Bîlbîie, Counselor with the Ministry of Education, professor dr. Ioan Abrudan, Rector of "Transilvania" University of Brașov and representatives of the local authorities of Brasov Municipality and Brasov County.

In the opening speech of the Conference, PhD Associate Professor, Commander Gabriel Răducanu, Rector and Commanding Officer of "Henri Coandă" Air Force Academy in Brașov stressed that the high scien-

tific research just turned 20 years amongst Air Force Academy. He mentioned as well that the academic event has the full support of the Romanian Ministry of National Defense and of the Ministry of Education and the fact that the event takes place the year Romania is celebrating 100 years since the Great Union of December $1^{\rm st}$ 1918.

The guests emphasized in their speeches during the Plenary Session the importance of this scientific event in developing of a strong scientific based teaching and learning process in the military environment as a basic condition for increasing the training quality of the graduates.

73 scientific and research papers of Air Force Academy teachers and prestigious researchers, teachers and PHD students from Romania, Bulgaria, Singapore, China, Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Georgia and Vietnam were presented at the Conference.



AFASES 2018 had three special guests as keynote speakers who had important presentations during Conference Plenary Session, with very valuable ideas amongst the topics under discussion. The keynote speakers were, in order of their presentation: Antonia Colibășanu, Professor dr. Anis H. Bajrektarevic and Lt Gen Laurian Anastasof. Their brief presentation emphasizes their expertise on the topics tackled during AFASES 2018.

Ph.D Antonia Colibășanu is senior geopolitical analyst and VP for Strategic Relationships at Geopolitical Futures of Austin, Texas and trainer at the European Institute of Romania. She focuses on strategic competitive intelligence analysis, and is working with various academic and training organizations. She has worked for more than 10 years with the global analysis firm STRATFOR in various positions.

Professor Ph.D Anis H. Bajrektarevic, of Vienna, Austria, appointed as head of IFIMES Department for Strategic Studies on Asia is an experienced diplomat, university professor, prolific academic writer, practitioner and researcher with an extensive expertise on cross-continental issues of Europe and Asia. Prof. Anis is also a long-standing member of and a regular contributing author to the IFIMES. Former legal practitioner and the president of Young Lawyers Association of BiH Bar (late 1980s), Former MFA official and career diplomat (early 1990s), Research Fellow at the Institute for Modern Political-history analyses,

Dr. Bruno Kreisky Foundation as well as the Legal and Political Advisor for CEE at the Vienna-based Political Academy, Dr. Karl Renner (mid 1990s). Senior Legal Officer and Permanent Representative to the UN Office in Vienna of the Intergovernmental Organization ICMPD (1995). He is detached to the IMC University of Austria as a Professor and Chairman for International Law and Global Political Studies (2000-2010).

The suggestion made by INGEPO Consulting Braşov to "Henri Coandă" Air



Force Academy of Braşov that Professor Bajrektarevic be invited as keynote speaker to AFASES 2018 was based, as well, on the fact that he is the author of multiple presentations, publications, speeches, research colloquia as well as of numerous public events (round tables & study trips etc.). His writings are frequently published in all five continents and he is regularly guest lecturer at many national diplomatic academies, prestigious national universities and governmental training facilities in many countries worldwide.

Lieutenant General Laurian Anastasof, the third keynote speaker, was the Chief of the Romanian Air Force Staff and nowadays is the Military Counselor of the Romanian Ministry of National Defense. He was until recently active Air Force Pilot, an AS Commanding officer al of 71st Air Force Base of Câmpia Turzii. He graduated "Carol I" National Defense

University of Bucharest, Air War College, Maxwell AFB, United States of America and National Defense College al in Bucharest. He presented and attended specific conferences at various scientific events on topics related to his experience. During his career of flying pilot he accumulated more than 2100 hours of flying on MiG-21LanceR, L-29, L-39, MiG-21MF and RFMM, IAR-330 M Helicopter. Also, he performed evaluating flights on F-16, Mirage 2000, Mirage F-1 and Alpha Jet aircrafts.



Professor Ph.D Anis H. Bajrektarevic presentation of the Plenary Session had, as general topic, the "Future of Technology and Human Development". In his presentation, he underlined many aspects related to the New World Order before and after 9/11, to non-state power-centers and their geopolitical aspirations, to the threats to the Global World Order and the new confrontations. He mentioned as well his opinions about the role of military factor in future and other remarks related to world populace and healthcare, biodiversity, water, food, energy and climate issues in relationship with the main topic of his presentation

Alongside AFASES 2018 Conference, via INGEPO Consulting Braşov, on 23rd of May, professor dr. Anis H. Bajrektarevic, held a seminar at The Regional Department of Defense Resources Management Studies Brasov on "1 Historical Europes - contemporary and future security changes". The activity was attended by the military and civilian personnel



from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia and Romania, participants to the "Postgraduate Defense Resources Management Course for Senior Officials" - ACT 678.3. The guest speaker presented concepts, challenges, principles and trends in the new geopolitical context of the changes generated by the current security environment. The Regional Department of Defense Resources Management Studies Brasov (DRESMARA) is a higher education institution funded and supervised by the Ministry of National Defense and is subordinated to the com-

mander (rector) of the "Carol I" National Defense University. DRESMARA is officially recognized by NATO as one of the 31 NATO-PTEC Partner Centers for Education and Training at the international level. The Regional Department of Defense Resources Management Studies has as mission "to perfect the training of military and civilian staff of the leadership structure, with tasks in the fields of defense planning, defense resources management and the use of management and NATO specific military terminologies."

Subsequently, on 24th of May, INGEPO Consulting Braşov facilitated a conference held by professor dr. Anis H. Bajrektarevic at the Law Faculty of Transilvania University in Brasov, with the central topics focused on the "Anthropogeographic inversion and the future patterns of international relations". Amongst the elements of the presentation and discussions with the students, there were to be found many topics



related to Globalism and Globalization (proximity – interdependency). The Law Faculty of Transilvania University in Braşov offers a good framework combining tradition and innovation in Law education. The Law Faculty of Transilvania University in Braşov has two license programs and four master degree programs. The activity was welcomed by the Dean of the faculty, professor dr. Cristinel Ioan Murzea, as well as by the Deputy Dean of the faculty, Professor dr. Roxana Matefi and INGEPO Consulting Braşov addressed them their thanks for their support.

Another event organized under the same "umbrella" of AFASES 2018 was the concert of Braşov Philharmonic Orchestra and the marching band (brass band) belonging to "Henri Coandă" Air Force Academy in Braşov. The concert was presented to the public with the support of Brasov Local Council in the open space of the Council Square of Brasov on $29^{\rm rd}$ of May at 19.00 hours for about two and a half hours. The activity was attended by foreign guests and a very large public.



The main event "Scientific Research and Education in the Air Force" continued with an exhibition and static display of air and other equipment and "Braşov Fair", organized with the support of "Iosif Şilimon" Territorial Airclub Braşov between 25th -27th of May on Ghimbav Airfield. During this events books have beeb presented and sold, as well as contests and air-modeling demonstrative exercises. The event was closed by an air show on the Ghimbav Airfield area. The area was overflown by aircrafts and helicopters belonging to Romanian Air Force, including F-16 fighter jets and also by civilian aircrafts belonging to the Romanian Air Club and Strejnic Civilian Higher Aviation School. The special guests of the air show were the teams of air acrobatics "Hawks of Romania" and and the Acrobats of the Yac Fleet.

In INGEPO Consulting's opinion, the event was beneficial as the keynote speaker Mr. Anis H. Bajrektarevic entertained scientifically the target audience, something ominous for future similar activities.



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