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2026

28.09.2026 - **The Arad Seminar in Early Modern Philosophy**

Eveniment organizat în cadrul proiectului **Interferențe moderne: concepte și polemici în gândirea europeană, ediția a II-a,** finanțat de către CMCA, contract nr. 3020/03.07.2026

organizator: Oana Matei

participanți: Bogdan Deznan (University of Bucharest), Christian Henkel (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven), Dana Jalobeanu (Technische Universitat Nuremberg/Univeristy of Bucharest), Oana Matei (Vasile Goldis Western University of Arad), Doina –Cristina Rusu (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam).

16.10.2026 **–** *Relevanța conceptului de personalitate în practica și teoría psihologică*. (Lect dr. Gabriel Balaci (UVVG) (workshop)

19.10.2026 – *Benjamin Fundoianu/Fondane și tensiunile identității culturale*. Prof. Univ. Dr. Speranța Milancovici (UVVG) (workshop)

2025

23-24.10.2025 - ***Natural history and philosophy in the early modern thought: science, experiments, methodologies***

Eveniment organizat în cadrul proiectului **Interferențe moderne: concept și polemici în gândirea europeană,** finanțat de către CMCA, contract nr. 3022/18.06.2025

Organizator Oana Matei (UVVG)

Participanți:

Ovidiu Babes (VrijeUniversiteit Brussel, Bogdan Deznan (Universitatea din București), Rodolfo Garau (Technische Universitat Nuremberg), Laura Georgescu (Groningen University), Benjamin Goldberg (University of South Florida), Dana Jalobeanu (TechnischeUniversitat Nuremberg/Universitatea din Bucuresti), Scott Mandelbrote (Cambridge University), Remus Manoila (Universitatea din București), Oana Matei (UVVG), Claudiu Mesaros (Universitatea de Vest Timisoara), Miklos Redei (London School of Economics/Technische Universitat Nuremberg), Doina –Cristina Rusu (Amsterdam University)

2022-2024

Implementare proiect

The Anatomy of Vegetation: Transmutation, Vivification, Artificial Life, Palingenesis in Early Modern Natural Philosophy, PN-III-P1-1.1-TE-2021-0403, 2022-2024. Principal investigator, lect. dr. Oana Matei

Evenimente:

21.10.2022 - Oana Matei *Particles, Atoms, and Natural Processes. Nehemiah Grew's Conceptual Vocabulary in "The Anatomy of Plants"*

11.11.2022 - ***The Anatomy of Vegetation: Plants and their Fundamental Processes in Early Modern Natural Philosophy*, 10-Arad online Conference**

10.11.2022
Dana Jalobeanu (University of Bucharest), *Constructing a Baconian Science of Life: Henry Power's "Experimental Philosophy"*
Benjamin Goldberg (University of Florida), *The Analogy of the Seed in Jean Fernel and William Harvey*

Christoffer Basse Eriksen (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin), *The Nutmeg and the Mite: Spice Trade, Quality Control, and Scientific Observation in the Dutch East India Company*

Pamela MacKenzie (University of British Columbia), *Comparative Anatomy and the Use of Visual Arguments for the Continuity of Reproductive Strategies across the Plant and Animal Kingdoms*

Oana Matei (Vasile Goldiș Western University of Arad), *Particles, Atoms, and Natural Processes. Nehemiah Grew's Conceptual Vocabulary in "The Anatomy of Plants"*

11.11.2022

Antonio Clericuzio (Roma Tre), *Plant Palingenesis: Experimental Evidence and Religious Controversies in 17th-Century England*

Laura Georgescu (University of Groningen), *Experimental Recipes and High Theory in Digby's Science of Vegetation*

Doina-Cristina Rusu (Vasile Goldiș Western University of Arad), *Native American "Bestial" Plants. Degeneration and Amelioration of Species in Early Modern Philosophy*

Alexandru Mexi (Vasile Goldiș Western University of Arad), *Eastern European 17th and 18th Century Garden Design and Use. Case Study: Constantin Brâncoveanu's Private Estates*

28.11.2022 – Doina-Cristina Rusu, *Native American "Bestial" Plants. Degeneration and Amelioration of Species in Early Modern Philosophy*

19.01.2023 – Doina-Cristina Rusu, *Juan de Cárdenas on 16th Century American Plants*

08.02.2023 – Florike Egmond (Leiden), *Towards the Tropical Seas of Europe. Depicting the Bolca Fish Fossils 16th-19th Centuries*

20.03.2023 – Antonio Clericuzio (Roma Tre), *Thomas Willis' Corpuscular Iatrochemistry and the Corporeal Soul*

30-31.03.2023 - ***The Anatomy of Vegetation II: Plants, Experiments and Experience in the Early Modern Period*, Arad online Conference**

30.03.2023
Melissa Reynolds (Rutgers University), *Plants and Providence: Pharmacology as an Expression of Divine Order and Ethnic Difference*

Barbara di Gennaro Splendore (Institute for Research in the Humanities, University of Bucharest), *A Renaissance Project for Knowing World Plants: Hierarchy and Indigenous Knowledge*

Alexandru Mexi (Vasile Goldiș Western University of Arad), *Myths, Legends and Recipes with Indigenous and Exotic Plants in the 19th Century Romania: Simion Florea's Botanical Collection*

31.03.2023
Justin Niermeier-Dohoney (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science), *Cartesian Mechanism and "Vegetal Change" in Early Eighteenth-Century French Botany: Interpreting the Works of Pierre Le Lorrain, Abbé de Vallemont, during the Twilight of Alchemy*

Oana Matei (Vasile Goldiș Western University of Arad), *Artificial Mixture and Life in the Works of Nehemiah Grew*

Doina-Cristina Rusu (Vasile Goldiș Western University of Arad), *The Origin of New World's Flora. Spontaneous Generation, Degeneration and New Species*

13.-09.2023 –Oana Matei, *Natural and Artificial Life in Nehemiah Grew's Discourse. Concerning the Nature, Causes, and Power of Mixture*

24.11.2023 – Christian Henkel (Montreal), *Sturm's Mechanist Account of Plant Life*

30. 01.2024 - Doina-Cristina Rusu, *Cardano's Theories of Generation, Degeneration and Spontaneous Generation of Plants*

19. 04. 2024 – Alexandru Mexi , *Eastern European 17th and 18th Century Garden Design and Use. Case Study on Constantin Brâncoveanu's Private Estates*