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### Governance-Society-Culture: Post-Communist Policy Analysis

#### Note of the Editors of the *Revista de Științe Politice. Revue des Sciences Politiques*

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#### Editorial tasks

The second issue (**RSP 58/2018**) of the *Revista de Științe Politice. Revue des Sciences Politiques* (hereinafter **RSP**) contains researches based on the linkage governance-society-culture before and after 1989.

**RSP 58/2018** analyzes, monitors and answers to the recent challenges in the field of the Eastern and Western challenges before 1989 and, also, Eastern and Western priorities after 1989.

The contents of the current issues mobilize and research:

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- (i) the legal resource in the field of policy and security;
- (ii) the social understandings of post-communist changes and challenges;
- (iii) the policy and security developments in East and West;
- (iv) the historical evolution of the recent conflicts;
- (v) the social and cultural settings in the post-communist landscape;
- (vi) the meanings of “ethnocultural” developments in post-communist countries
- (vii) the management of “free time education”.

Thus, **RSP issue 58/ 2018 (June 2018)** integrates a governance-society-culture vision and understanding in the East and West experiences for more than thirty years associating an inter- and multi-disciplinary analysis of the main societal priorities in this period.

The nexus between the three concepts is monitored considering also the European Union experience at micro and macro levels of action and implementation.

The articles of **RSP issue 58/ 2018 (June 2018)** enable both policy and practice contributions considering the changing social, cultural, political and historical determinants transforming the national, European and international landscape as follows:

- (I) Anca PĂUNESCU, Mihaela CHIRIȚESCU, *Political News – Language and Discourse* (the article emphasizes the impact of the political news and of the “language discourse”);
- (II) Loretta C. SĂLĂJAN, *Ontological Security and the European Union Global Strategy* (the article focuses on the particular landscape of the European Union security encounters and the fundamental understandings of the “ontological security”).  
The analysis of the European Union Global Strategy enables the following thematic areas: European identity, “the problematic Eastern vicinity” and its “security niche”;
- (III) Bejtush GASHI, Gurakuç KUÇI, *“Spider Diplomacy” as a Complementary Explanation of the New International Circumstances* (the article focuses on the development of the theory that the authors call “the spider diplomacy”. The concept offers a theoretical alternative explanation of the new international system matrixing the meanings and uses of the following topics: realism; neutral theories; Western Balkans; “a hybrid theory”; new international paradigms;
- (IV) Anca Parmena OLIMID, Daniel Alin OLIMID, *Analysis Framework of the European Commission: Monitoring Population, Human Capital and Inclusion in the Social Agendas n<sup>o</sup> 38 - n<sup>o</sup> 47 (October 2014 - April 2017)* (the article generates a social and legal analysis of the European Commission official documentation). The article explores the following key concepts and trends: population, human capital, social inclusion, social innovation, social affairs, development etc.;
- (V) Florin NACU, *Great Romania under the Menace of the European Extremism and Revisionism* (the research considers the social and historical developments of the year 1918 with impact on the evolution of the internal and external politics);
- (VI) Alexandra PORUMBESCU, *The globalization debate. From “The great Voyages of discovery” to post communism* (the article presents the “globalization phenomenon” and the consequences of the “global governance”);

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- (VII) César GARCÍA ANDRÉS, *Historical Evolution of Ukraine and its Post-Communist Challenges* (the article focuses on the following steps of the research: conceptual framework, political and historical overviews of the problem, the “national identity” encounters and its patterns in the post-communist period);
- (VIII) Pablo Arconada LEDESMA, *Post-Communism and Desintegration: Somalia in the New World Order* (the article emphasizes the Post Cold war historical development and the main causes and effects of the Somalia’s crisis focusing on the internal and external causes and effects, the international aid conditionalities, the factors of identity and diversity, the postcolonial dysfunctionality and the political cleavages);
- (IX) Maria PESCARU, *The Crisis of Culture in the Post-Communism Transition* (the research individualizes the settings of the “crisis of culture” and the challenges of the post-communist period: Romanian society reform, the challenges of the social, political and cultural system, the national understandings of the “cultural reconstruction” and the “national identity” patterns);
- (X) Ecaterina Sarah FRĂSINEANU, *Management of Learning Time and Free Time Education for Students* (the article reviews the management of the “learning time”, “the time education for students”, the nature of resources, the system responses, the learning context and the relationship between learning and performing);
- (XI) Danijela VUKOVIĆ-ČALASAN, *Managing Ethnocultural Pluralism in Montenegro: Do We Need Interculturalism?* (the article frames the “ethnocultural pluralism” and the “multiethnic” settings of the mechanisms, actions and plans in Montenegro);
- (XII) Andrzej DUBICKI, *What do we accept, what we neglect? The quest for the proper version of collective memory. Some considerations about the names present in urban space after the 2015 elections in Poland. The case of Łódź and its neighbourhood* (the study focuses on the following topics: “collective memory”; “urban space”; “2015 elections” and Poland).

### Research methodology

The articles of issue 58 provide four main research methods focusing on the relationship between governance-society-culture. The thematic areas of the **RSP issue 58/2018 (June 2018)** are analysed and investigated using the following research methods:

- (i) The comparative social and historical research (the articles focusing on the European identity encounters; cultural identity; education process, collective memory, intercultural dynamics and patterns);
- (ii) The network analysis (the articles presenting the international actors and relationships, the globalization theories, facts and data, the diplomacy encounters)
- (iii) The policy framework analysis (the articles empowering the European Union institutional and structural architecture, the political news analysis, the political concepts, the political terminology and discourse);

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- (iv) The historical and political research and analysis (the articles focusing on the exploration of the post-communist challenges, the new world order, the electoral moments and processes).

The contents of the **RSP issue 58/ 2018 (June 2018)** enrich the policy analysis of the relationship between the governance-society-culture. This particular analysis of the institutional, social and cultural argument, the thematic area of the current issue develops a new research agenda focused on the Eastern and Western mutual recognition and understanding of the specific developments and patterns in the field.

Wishing you all the best,

*The RSP Editors*