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### Social Research during Pandemic: Societal Expectations & Participation Gaps

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The current issue of the *Revista de Științe Politice. Revue des Sciences Politiques* launched in June 2020 during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) challenges a new dimension of the social research: the societal cleavages and the participation gaps focusing on complex thematic arguments, namely:

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- (1) the type of the legal provisions;
- (2) the historiographical analysis;
- (3) the ecclesiastical institutions;
- (4) the social movements;
- (5) the legal contracts;
- (6) the extremism and the post-communist transition;
- (7) the study of volunteerism, the Romanian language as foreign language;
- (8) the education challenges in post-communism;
- (9) the social integration;
- (10) the concept of security;
- (11) the social and cultural approaches;
- (12) the commercial law provisions;
- (13) the cultural and emotional perspectives;
- (14) the labour market etc.

The first article (Author: Dan Claudiu Dănișor, *The Historical Contextualization of the Ideal-Types of Modern Constitution*) launches an innovative perspective on the legal research by considering “the context of imposing a legal ideal-type of modern constitution” and the three types of the constitutional law: the historical perspective, the cultural dimension and the philosophy encounters.

The second and third articles (second article-Author: Florin Nacu, *The Hungarian Soviet Republic of 1919 and the Romanian Intervention. A Historiographical Analysis* and third article-Author: Marian Zidaru, *The Theodorian Carada' s Memorandum and the activity of Nunziatura Apostolica Wienn in Romania during 1918*) express a new area of the historical research: the historiographical analysis of historical events and the focused analysis of the historical documents at the beginning of the XXth century.

The fourth article (Author: Claudia Elena Ionaș, *The Rise of Social Movements in Romania*) displays a new research perspective of the social movements in Romania and focuses on the following approaches: the citizen' participation, the role of the civil society, the social media usage, the dimension of the social change nowadays.

The fifth article (Author: Sevastian Cercel, Ștefan Scurtu, *Some Considerations on the Effects of the Contract for the Carriage of Goods as Provided by the Romanian Civil Code*) enables a complex research of the legal aspects of “the effects of the contract for the carriage of goods as provided by the Romanian Civil Code” by mapping: “the obligation of the carrier”, “the payment of the price” and “the accessory services”.

The following seven articles pinpoint a various analysis of three thematic areas in current social research:

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(1) the right-wing extremism in post-communist societies (Author: Mihaela Ivănescu, *Tales of Post-Communist Transition and Right-Wing Extremism. An Analysis of the 2000 Romanian Elections, 20 Years after*);

(2) the youth activities, the role of volunteerism, social and practical skills (Author: Gabriela Motoi, *Can We Empower Youth through Volunteerism? Results of an Empirical Study on Romanian Youth*);

(3) the research of the latest developments in the field of the study of Romanian as foreign language in the post-communist landscape (Author: Eleonora Olivia Bălănescu, *Romanian as a Foreign Language in Post-Communist Romania*);

(4) the particular aspects of “teaching and learning English for Specific Purposes (ESP) in Romania in the post-communist period” (Author: Diana Marcu, *The Post-communist Era: “the bloom” of ESP in Romania*);

(5) an in-depth analysis of the security concepts, risks and challenges (Author: Teodora Pirșoi, *The Evolution of the National Security Concept in Romania in the Euro-Atlantic Environment*);

(6) the social and educational integration of foreign students (Author: Cristina-Eugenia Burtea-Cioroianu, *Problems of Social Integration and Correct Expression of Foreign Students in Romania*);

(7) “the modernity and actuality” assessments in literature (Author: May Hasan Srayisah Alkubaisi, *Jane Austin: Modern Supremacy*).

The next three articles develop a three-dimensional analysis of the democratic society and concurrent market:

(1) the legal provision of the Law no. 31/1990 (Author: Lavinia Elena Stuparu, *Inaccessibility to the status of founder of the companies regulated by Law no. 31/1990 for natural persons authorization in the forms regulated by O.U.G. no. 44/2008*);

(2) the analysis of the corporate reputation (Author: Dragoș Alexandru Bălan, *Corporate Reputation: Key Issues to Consider When Developing a Measurement Scale*);

(3) the jurisprudence, the fundamental rights and the role of free access to justice (Author: Mihaela Cătălina Scafeș (Opran), *Jurisprudence Regarding Free Access to Justice in the Democratic Society*).

The next two articles focus on a new approach to the cultural and emotional intelligence research:

(1) the cultural history and the artistic values (Author: Andreea Mihaela Stoian, *Cultural History – the Life and Art of Constantin Brâncuși*);

(2) the role of the cognitive abilities and emotions (Author: Adrian-Florin Bușu, *Emotional Intelligence as a Type of Cognitive Ability*).

The last two articles point two considerations of the companies and labour market namely:

(1) the implementation of the ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) integrated system (Author: Viorel-Costin Banța, *Major aspects encountered in the RPA projects implemented within Romanian companies with management based on ERP solutions*);

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(2) the challenge of the Romanian labour market after the fall of communism (Author: Lucian Adrian Sala, *Can Romania's Labour Market thrive in the Age of Population Ageing? A Bayesian VAR Approach*).

The following article establishes a complex analysis of the legal translation, using a comprehensive approach to the linguistics elements and the intercultural communication (Author: Anca Păunescu, Mihaela Chirișescu, *A Reflective Approach to Legal Translation Issues*).

The current issue 66/2020 of the *Revista de Științe Politice. Revue des Sciences Politiques* thus invites its readers and contributors to evaluate, focus and develop a comprehensive and extended analysis of the social research during pandemic period pinpointed on societal expectations and participation gaps.

Wishing you all the best,

***The RSP Editors***