



Annual Report 2015

Eurocentrica is an independent Romanian NGO created in 2010 through a partnership between professionals from the academia, public policies, the nongovernmental sector and business.

We aim to place Europe in the centre of the Romanian public policies and to promote Romania in the mainstream of the European policies.

In order to fully benefit of European integration and to contribute to the European project it is important to have an in-depth understanding of both the EU and of the Romanian realities.

Eurocentrica's mission is to promote the rule of law, democracy, economic cooperation, culture and sustainable development in Europe.

Programs

In 2015 Eurocentrica's activity has been divided in three programs.



Media Program

At present, the Romanian media landscape seems to be dominated by domestic political quarrels and attempts from various stakeholders at controlling the delivered message. An objective analysis of social, political and economic issues, put in an international context, is missing. The international assessments on Romanian media support the position that media freedom is constantly threatened.

Heritage and Identities Program

The question of cultural heritage in a broad sense should relate different dimensions of memory, history, culture and identity.

The post communist space has, from this point of view, a series of particularities that could be grasped only by approaching them from an interdisciplinary perspective. The projects within this program are aimed at understanding this complex landscape.

Eastern Europe and the EU Program

The objective of this program is to contribute to the knowledge and understanding of social, economic and political situation of Eastern Europe, in the wider context of interactions between the states from this geographic area and the European Union.

The main geographical focus of the program is represented by Romania, Moldova and Ukraine, as well as the historical communities of romanians around the borders of Romania.

Media Program

Eurocentric media program was created in order to offer a reliable alternative to the mainstream Romanian media in terms of cultural debate and European information and analysis.

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Marți, 21 februarie, ora 19.00
Ioana Nicolaie
cu o fragment din romanul **PELINUL NEGRU**
afiat în pregătire la Humanitas

Ioana Nicolaie, „Pelinul negru”, (fragmente în avanpremieră) 2
LaPunkt
Apoi ne-am bătut tare capul, laolaltă, ca să putem alege până la urmă cinci reguli principale. Și-apoi, ca să nu le lăsăm...

Ioana Nicolaie, „Pelinul negru”, (fragmente în avanpremieră) 3
LaPunkt
-Fiindcă suntem nebune, zice Crucișă. Și ne-apucă tot timpul, de nu ne mai poate înțelege nimeni. -Dar avem reguli acum. Uite-le! Și...

Ioana Nicolaie, „Pelinul negru”, (fragmente în avanpremieră) 4
LaPunkt
Crucișă n-a găsit mamă, nici Nadia și nici Cati. Dar de Cati nu mă mir, fiindcă ea nu vorbește, ci mormăie, deși nu e urs,...

Ioana Nicolaie, „Pelinul negru”, (fragmente în avanpremieră) 5
LaPunkt
-Nadia nu s-a mai întors, doamna Mariana! zice o cheală. A terminat casa asta pentru mamă, nici nu m-a lăsat să-i ating cuburile,...

Ioana Nicolaie, „Pelinul negru”, (fragmente în avanpremieră) 1
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Ioana Nicolaie s-a născut în Sângeorz-Băi, județul Bistrița-Năsăud. A publicat mai multe volume de versuri (Poză retușată, Nordul, Credința, Cenotaf, Autoimun – desemnat de către USR “Cartea Anului” 2013), antologia Lomografii, două romane (Cerul din burtă, O pasăre pe sirmă) și literatură pentru copii (Aventurile lui Arik, Arik și mercenarii [...])

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Dacă literatura ar putea schimba lumea, am trăi demult în rai.
Interviu exclusiv
LaPunkt
cu
Jan Cornelius
LaPunkt

ULTIMELE ARTICOLE

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LaPunkt.ro started in 2013 as an online publication committed to the debate of ideas. LaPunkt.ro's contributors comprise over 200 authors: intellectuals of all major Romanian generations, ranging from young professionals - trained in prestigious universities all over the world - to renown intellectuals such as Ioana Pârvulescu recipient of the *European Union Prize for Literature*, Toma Pavel, Gordon J. Laing Distinguished professor in Romance Languages and Literature at Chicago University or Vladimir Tismăneanu, **Comparative Politics professor at the University of Maryland**.

They all share the values and the mission that LaPunkt.ro embraced from its inception: to encourage dialogue, creative liberty and intellectual passion.

It should be mentioned that in less than two years, LaPunkt.ro imposed itself in the Romanian public space. The online magazine has published so far over 2000 articles. Moreover, each week five texts are collected in a "Punkt of the week" which follows a specific topic from various perspectives and manifestations.

The magazine has active and growing social media accounts (Facebook and Twitter) and it distributes a weekly newsletter. The daily accessed pages number is over 4000.

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Liderul UKIP, euroscepticul Nigel Farage, a ajuns în atenția rubricii „Reality Check” a postului BBC, unde afirmațiile sale privind nivelul violenței sexuale din Suedia au fost demonstrate ca fiind neadevărate. Farage a precizat...

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Și Juncker vrea o Europă cu „mai multe viteze”



Președintele Comisiei Europene, Jean-Claude Juncker, a afirmat într-un discurs cu tema „Europa: o viziune asupra viitorului”, susținut la Universitatea Catolică din Louvain, Belgia, că este un susținător al unei Europe cu...

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Republica Moldova, între popularitate și notorietate

Dumitru-Alexandru Filimon



Basarabia s-a bucurat mereu de un plus de atenție din partea istoricilor români care înțelegeau dramele și stigmatul cicatrizat pe care Rusia le-a lăsat în urma ei și în memoria românului de rând. Imaginarul său este acaparat de...

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Interviu cu Andi Cristea, europarlamentar: „Dacă Parlamentul ajunge pe mâna asociațiilor domnului Dodon, parcursul european al Moldovei va fi cea mai importantă victimă”

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Encouraged by the success of this first project, in January 2014 Eurocentrica has launched another online publication, www.EuroPunkt.ro, focused on the Romanian society within the European context.

In 2015 its second year of existence, euroPunkt.ro has consolidated its place as a Romanian publication dedicated to informing and analysis on European Union and Europe in general. In 2015 euroPunkt.ro published over 700 articles: news, opinion articles and interviews. The magazine had in 2015 over 50 contributors: journalists,

experts from the academia and NGO sectors, young researchers and professionals as well as business analysts such as Claudia Postelnicescu, Florin Diaconu, Oana-Valentina Suci, Grațian Mihăilescu, Dumitru-Alexandru Filimon, Marin Gherman, Tudor Cojocariu etc.

Moreover, euroPunkt.ro's interviews section brought in 2015 closer to the general public, views and appinions from personalities such as: Corina Cretu, European Commissioner for Regional Policy of the European Commission, MEPs Andi Cristea and Renate Weber, Simion Costea, policy officer at the European Commission on issues of neighborhood S.E. Milan Begovic, Ambassador of Montenegro to Romania, Dalipi Samet, Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, University of Prishtina Illyria, Dandis Nicholas, Mayor of Cahul, Mircea Mocanu, Romanian head of the Office of International Organization for Migration.

„Our Europe” Essay contest

In February 2015, euroPunkt.ro launched its first contest of essay under the heading “Our Europe”. In organizing the competition, EuroPunkt.ro was supported by the European Commission Representation in Romania and also benefitted from the partnership with the European Convergences and Qvorum Associations.

The contest, which was addressed to young people aged between 18 and 30 years from Romania and abroad and was aimed both at fostering the formation of European affairs specialists and developing of the public concern on European developments construction.

57 essays were received (42 from Romania, 13 from Moldova and two from Ukraine).

The following prizes were awarded:

- The EuroPunkt Prize - Study trip to Brussels and reference books on EU - Anamaria Mariniuc - Bucharest, Romania, with the essay "Our Europe"
- Originality Prize – Study Trip to Brussels; - Ana Maria Petre - Focsani, Romania, with the essay "Europe needs a soul and humor"
- Special Prize for the Romanians in the EU Eastern Partnership States - a tablet PC - Marin Gherman - Chernivtsi, Ukraine, with the essay "Europe lost in the labyrinth of Ukraine."

The euroPunkt prize winner joined the editorial team of EuroPunkt.ro.

Distinctions

Liviu Iancu, Editor EuroPunkt.ro, won the „Opinion/Editorial” prize in the 2015 edition of the competition „European Journalist and Blogger”, organized by the European Commission Representation in Romania. The award, in recognition of the author's intense commenting on European events and processes developed in 2015, legitimised euroPunkt.ro as one of the Romanian media product with a substantial and consistent section European affairs analysis.

Heritage and Identities Programm

Between November 2014 and December 2015 Eurocentrica Association has implemented the project “Positive Aspects of Migration: Roma Women and Roma Craftsmen as Agents of Change”. The project PA17RO13LP4 / 11.27.2014 has been funded under the program PA17 / RO13, The Promotion of Diversity in Culture and Art within the European Cultural Heritage through a grant from Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein and the Romanian Government.

The total eligible value of the project was 316.379 lei, out of which 284,741.10 lei - through the EEA Grants and 31,637.90 lei – co-financing from the beneficiary.

The target group of the project - Roma women, members of Roma communities, Roma craftsmen.

The overall objective of the project:

To enhance cultural dialogue and to preserve European identity through the understanding of cultural diversity by promoting positive aspects of Roma migration (Roma women and craftsmen as agents of change).

Specific objectives of the project:

To document the cultural history of Roma and to determine a better understanding of cultural diversity by conducting a research study on the positive impact of migration for the emancipation of Roma women;

To determine a better understanding of cultural diversity and to consolidate the intercultural dialogue by promoting the traditional Roma crafts through two events organized in Norway;

To consolidate the access of a larger audience to Roma culture by disseminating the research study and by organizing two events in Norway focused on traditional Roma crafts;

Within the project it was conducted the research study, "Positive Aspects of Migration: Roma Women as Agents of Change". Among its main conclusions the study puts forward that "Roma women's status under the influence of migration, has developed and has contributed to their emancipation through the reduction of domestic violence, employment in activities similar to those practiced by men. Moreover, migration has determined an increased participation of women in decision-making in matters of family interest. The borderline cases where the woman in the family must fill the role performed traditionally the man i.e. income generator are the most effective in defeating the resistance to change; a resistance that is maintained not only by some men, but also by the majority of the older women."

The research study was published as a booklet in English, Romanian and Norwegian.

Within the project two Roma Crafts Festivals were organized in Oslo and in Fredrikstad on 19th and 20th September 2015. The festivals, with nearly 500 people attendants, consisted in handcrafts objects and photos exhibitions and a presentation of the research study.

Another result of the project was the production of 5 video clips showing five different crafts practiced by Roma people (woodcarver, coppersmith, basket weaver, blacksmith and silver jewelers).

Eastern Europe and the EU Program

Between August-November 2015 Eurocentrica Association has implemented the project „Promovarea identității culturale românești în Bălți prin consolidarea mediului civic local”. The project has been funded (27,750 RON) under the program Dimitrie Gusti” of the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The project has addressed the need to strengthen Romanian cultural identity and sustainable development in the communities from the northern region of Moldova, identifying as a concrete action tool the empowerment of the local associative environment

The following activities were carried out:

- 28.08 - 09.05.2015: training and qualification courses for Moldovian NGO activists in the following areas: accessing irredeemable grants; economic valorification of the cultural heritage; human rights and civic participation in relation to civil society, using media, online media and social media to promote civil society projects; the courses were conducted by certified experts in the field and were held in Bucharest;
- 3/10/2015: press conference where there presented the results of the trainings and the cooperation agreements. The conference was held in Balti and was attended by the General Consul of Romania, prof. dr. dr. Mihail Baci.

The results of the project were the following:

- 15 members of the associative environment of the northern region of Moldova, trained in cultural heritage, human rights, mass and social media;
- 12 members of the associative environment of the northern region of Moldova got the qualification „expert in accessing structural and cohesion funds” recognized by the Romanian National Authority for Certification;
- 10 cooperation agreements with Moldovian NGOs.

The project has been promoted both in Moldovian and Romania mass-media.

Eurocentrica Partnerships in 2015

The European Institute of Romania

In early October 2015 discussions were initiated with The European Institute of Romania (IER) in order to conclude a cooperation protocol. Two weeks later, the partnership was signed for two years.

The European Institute of Romania (IER) is a public institution financed from the state budget, whose mission is to provide expertise in European affairs to the public administration, business, social partners and the civil society.

European Convergences Association

The collaboration between European Convergences Association (ACE) and Eurocentrica began in early 2015 with the support of ACE in organizing the essay contest „Our Europe”.

ACE is an NGO founded in Bucharest in 2011 that organizes academic and civic activist actions to improve the situation of Romanians abroad and collaborates constantly with the Romanian state institutions responsible for supporting such initiatives.

Partnerships agreements in Moldova

As a result of the project „Promoting Romanian cultural identity in Balti by strengthening local civic environment” Eurocentric came into contact with the pro-European associations based in the north of the country. Taking into account the common vision on the promotion of values, norms and European practices in Moldova, Eurocentric signed in early October collaboration protocols for this purpose with 5 NGOs from the region:

- AO „Caroma Nord”;
- AO „Consult Nord”;
- Centrul European de Formare și Informare;
- Centrul Regional CONTACT;
- AO „Onoarea și Dreptul Femeii Contemporane”

Eurocentral supports the reforming and innovative work of these NGOs in the Moldovan public space, by helping its partners in the in management of their projets.