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## Europe at Crossroads: U.S. and European Perspectives

June 23-24, 2016

College of Communication and Public Relations  
National University of Political Studies and Public Administration  
Room 804, 30A Expozitiei Blvd  
Bucharest

### Thursday, June 23

14.00 – 14.30 Registration

14.30 – 15.00 Welcome speeches

**Remus Pricopie**, Rector, National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, NUPSPA  
**Nicoleta Corbu**, Dean, College of Communication and Public Relations and Executive Director of the Center for Research in Communication, NUPSPA  
**Lee B. Becker**, Director of the James M. Cox Jr. Center for International Mass Communication Training and Research, University of Georgia, U.S.

15.00 Panel 1:  
Europe viewed from home and abroad

**Owen Ullmann**, World Editor, USA Today  
**Bogdan Chirieac**, Editor in chief, DCnews

Moderator:

**Tudor Vlad**, Associate Director of the James M. Cox Jr. Center for International Mass Communication Training and Research, University of Georgia, U.S.

16.30 Coffee break

16.45 Panel 2:  
Europe's security under threat:  
reactions and solutions

**Marisa Mac Isaac**, Rule of Law Officer, U.S. Embassy Bucharest  
**Ioan Mircea Pașcu**, MEP, Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, European Parliament  
**Alina Bârgăoanu**, Vice-Rector for Research, NUPSPA

Moderator:

**Nicoleta Corbu**, College of Communication and Public Relations, NUPSPA



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**Friday, June 24**

10.00 Panel 3:

The rise of populist and Eurosceptic movements across Europe: is media nurturing populism and Euroscepticism?

**Antonia Colibășanu**, Regional Adviser for Europe, Stratfor

**Alexandru Coita**, Managing Partner, Ganes

**Tudor Vlad**, Associate Director of the James M. Cox Jr. Center for International Mass Communication Training and Research, University of Georgia, U.S.

**Lee B. Becker**, Director of the James M. Cox Jr. Center for International Mass Communication Training and Research, University of Georgia, U.S.

Moderator:

**Elena Negrea-Busuioc**, College of Communication and Public Relations, NUPSPA

11.30 Coffee break

11.45 Panel 4:

*Quo vadis*, Europa?

**Owen Ullmann**, World Editor, USA Today

**Dan Cărbunaru**, Journalist, Calea Europeană

**Marisa Mac Isaac**, Rule of Law Officer, U.S. Embassy Bucharest

**Clara Volintiru**, Vice President, CAESAR Foundation

Moderator:

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13.30 Lunch