

THE STORY OF A SUCCESSFUL UNIVERSITY!

"Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University of Bucharest, founded by Prof. PhD. Momcilo Luburici, President of the University, and by Prof. PhD. Corina Adriana Dumitrescu, President of the DCCU Senate, celebrates, this academic year, 2020-2021, 30 years of academic existence.

Today, the University bearing the name of the great scholar and politician, the "Prince Philosopher" Dimitrie Cantemir, stands out as one of the most modern, competitive and high-performing private universities in Romania. In this respect, the eloquent proof is given by the almost one hundred thousand graduates of Bachelor's and Master's Degree studies, specialized in various fields of human knowledge: legal sciences, political sciences, administrative sciences, economics, educational sciences, foreign languages and literatures. Only during this academic year, both at the University of Bucharest and at the university centers in Cluj, Timișoara, more than 8000 students are attending Bachelor's and Master's Degree courses, highlighting the prestige that this high education institution enjoys in the Romanian academic landscape.

But what individualizes "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University, both in the Romanian academic environment and at international level, is the dimension of internationalization promoted by the managerial culture of the founders of this institution, based on authentic values of ethics and academic integrity. From this perspective, "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University has international relations with universities and higher education institutions, institutional partners from countries such as the USA, China, Japan, South Korea, Finland, Turkey, Italy, Spain, Ukraine, Russia, Serbia, Ethiopia, Nigeria, Kazakhstan, Georgia, Slovakia, Poland, France, Germany, the UK and others.

In the same direction of internationalization, there is the scientific research activity through publications, which has placed itself in the Romanian academic environment, as well as internationally, by means of its scientific works indexed in international databases, such as COGITO: the only multidisciplinary scientific research journal in the Romanian academic environment, which has been published since 2009, with 4 annual issues, initially published in Romanian and English and currently only in English. *During its 11 years of editorial activity, COGITO Journal published over 500 articles and papers submitted at international conferences, with the collaboration of professors and researchers from the country and from the entire academic world:* www.cogito.ucdc.ro

The same context of academic publications includes the EUROMENTOR Journal or *Studies on Education*, first published in 2010, with 4 annual issues, initially in Romanian and English, later published only in English. Throughout its 10 years of editorial activity, the EUROMENTOR Journal has published over 400 articles and papers presented at international conferences in the field of education - www.euromentor.ucdc.ro

What is more, "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University standing out though remarkable contribution to the development of the Romanian education system, by training hundreds of teachers for primary and preschool education, *within the Faculty of Educational Sciences*, being the only private university in Bucharest that upgrades the staff knowledge for public and private pre-university education. Professors who are part of the scientific, political, social and cultural elite of Romania carry out didactic and scientific research activity in this University, enjoying national and international recognition. Thus, in recent years, "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University has made itself noteworthy by organizing numerous international conferences, which have led to the participation of many collaborators from our country and abroad. Thus, we mention the emblematic conference for the University dedicated to the dissemination and research of Dimitrie Cantemir's work, which has reached its 8th edition, as well as the International Conference on the "European Culture of Human Rights. The Right to Happiness", in its 7th edition. In the field of education, in 2013, the International Conference "*Education in the Future*" and the International Workshop on "*Connecting Generations*" were organized, within the "*Grundtvig*" Project, with the participation of 17 foreign collaborators from countries such as: Finland, Italy, Turkey, Greece, Slovenia and others. Last but not least, on the initiative of Prof. PhD. Corina Adriana Dumitrescu, the International Conference on *Philosophy of Law* was organized in 2018, benefitting from the participation of the President of the International Association of Philosophy of Law, Prof. Mortimer Newlin Sellers, Doctor Honoris Causa of "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University. This Conference was followed by the participation of a group of professors and students, led by Prof. PhD. Corina Adriana Dumitrescu (President of the DCCU Senate) and by Prof. PhD. Cristiana Cristureanu (DCCU Rector) at the World Congress of Philosophy of Law in July, 2019, in Lucerne, Switzerland, where it was decided that the 20th edition of the World Congress of Philosophy of Law would be hosted by "Dimitrie Cantemir" Christian University in Bucharest, in the summer of 2022.¹

All these are academic performances that would not have been possible without the exceptional involvement of the founders of this university, Prof. PhD. Momcilo Luburici and Prof. PhD. Corina Adriana Dumitrescu, who, today, have good reasons for joy and satisfaction for the opportunities created for the young people who graduated from this higher education institution. The youngsters who are currently attending this University have the chance to learn and form as authentic people in a higher education institution which is a benchmark for the Romanian academic environment, offering authentic models of managers, trainers, university professors and scientific researchers. It is, at the same time, an institution with a modern infrastructure at the level of European and international standards.

The founders of this University, sharing the Cantemirian spirit, promote in their entire didactic and scientific research activity, among teachers, Bachelor's and Master's Degree students alike, the values of Christian ethics, offering, par excellence, a humanistic education, a new

¹ G.Pohoață, **DIGNITY, DEMOCRACY, DIVERSITY, XXIX WORLD CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PHILOSOPHY OF LAW & SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY** Lucerne, Switzerland, 7-12 July 2019, in *COGITO. MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH JOURNAL*, no.3/September 2019, p.7-12.

axiological education meant to spiritualize the young Cantemirian attendees, thus preparing them for a changing and evolving society.

Long live DCCU!

Long live the founders of DCCU!

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