

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Andreea Vornicu-Chira

WORK EXPERIENCE

Project Manager
August 2020 - Present

Energy Poverty in Buildings, Project financed by ECF

Main responsibilities:

- Design the research framework;
- Coordinate the team that conducts research on various aspects related to energy poverty in buildings in Romania;
- Maintain the communication with the partners from Hungary and Bulgaria;
- Organize workshops with relevant stakeholders and partners from the EP network.

Learning Executive
May 2019 - Present

Transilvania Executive Education

Main responsibilities:

- Develop partnerships with companies interested in the EMBA University of Hull;
- Organize educational events for managers (Executive Talks, Teach Yourself Business, Workshops);
- Collaborate with University of Hull and plan the teaching activities;
- Create networks of alumni and engage them in various activities;

Programme Director
April 2018 – September 2019

Asociația Internațională de Meserii

Main responsibilities:

- Coordinate the educational programme in partnership with the Lincoln College Group;
- Plan and oversee the educational infrastructure necessary for running the programme;
- Maintain the communication with companies interested in the programme;
- Organize events for the association;

Researcher
October 2018 - Present

“Peri-urban societies in energy poverty: a cross-national study of governance addressing the Roma in Romania and the Bedouins in Israel”

Project coordinator: CA16232 - European Energy Poverty: Agenda Co-Creation and Knowledge Innovation

Project financed by the COST Action

Main responsibilities:

- conducted literature review on energy poverty and energy justice;
- developed the interview guide (semi-structured interviews);
- conducted interviews in the Bedouin communities from the Negev Dessert and Roma communities from Ferentari and Pata Rat;
- Participated at an international conference on energy poverty, presenting main findings.

Researcher
Nov. 2017 –

“Democratic citizenship, inequalities and social polarization: a longitudinal and multi-level study”

Project coordinator: Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Project financed by the Romanian National Authority for Scientific Research, Ministry of Research

Main responsibilities:

- conducted literature review on democratic citizenship, inequalities and social polarization;
- performed structural equation modeling (SEM);

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Researcher

March 2018 – December 2018

- presented project results in various national and international round-tables and academic conferences, such as “Education for a Europe of Rights”, Central European University, December 2017.

“RESPONSE: Multi-agency response for reporting of GBV in maternal health services”
Project coordinator: Cluj School of Public Health, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Project financed by the European Commission under the Daphne Programme

Main responsibilities:

- conducted interviews and focus-groups with medical professionals;
- promoted courses on gender-based violence and referral systems to medical students;
- developed an interactive map with the main stakeholders involved in the process of reporting and referring gender-based violence cases;
- developed a working paper on multi-agency response to the GBV, available at: <http://gbv-response.eu/ws3-multi-agency-response/>

Researcher

May 2017 – December 2018

“Migrants Integration Index in Romania”
Project coordinator: Romanian Centre for Comparative Migration Studies and The League for the Defence of Human Rights, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Main responsibilities:

- conducted research design and the lay-out of the research instruments used for data collection (questionnaire and semi-structured interview guide);
- conducted literature review for the Index;
- performed quantitative data analysis;
- participated in elaborating the first Romanian Index for Migrants Integration;

Researcher

Nov. 2016 – Dec. 2017

National report on “Energy Poverty and the vulnerable consumer” (2017)
<http://democracycenter.ro/romana/publicatii/rapoarte-de-cercetare/saracia-energetica-si-consumatorul-vulnerabil-evidente-din-romania-si-europa:>
Project coordinator: Center for the Study of Democracy, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Project financed by ENEL Romania

Main responsibilities:

- drafted research instruments;
- performed quantitative and qualitative data analysis for the final report;

Researcher

Feb. 2018 – Apr. 2018

“Relations between Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) from the wider Black Sea Region and their Donors”
Project coordinator: Romanian Non-Governmental Development Organizations Platform

Main responsibilities:

- conducted interviews and focus-groups in Republic of Moldova and Armenia with NGOs’ and donors’ representatives;
- performed data analysis;
- contributed to the final report;

Researcher

Sept. 2016 – Sept. 2017

“Analyzing Educational Achievement of 15-Years-Olds in Romania”
Project coordinator: Center for the Study of Democracy, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Main responsibilities:

- conducted research design and the lay-out of the research instruments used for data collection;

Junior Project Coordinator
April 2016 – Feb. 2017

“Young people get involved. Raising awareness and election monitoring campaign, 2016”

Project coordinator: Center for the Study of Democracy, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Project financed by: The Civil Society Development Foundation, Romania

Main responsibilities:

- coordinated the process of validation of electoral observers for the 2016 national elections;
- coordinated teams of electoral observers (consisting of over 100 volunteers);

Trainer
October 2016

“Performing Public Policy Analysis in Education and International Development”, Republic of Moldova

Project coordinator: Open Society Foundations, Republic of Moldova

Main responsibilities:

- delivered training related to public policy analysis, public policy strategies and the relevance of studies and data in drafting educational public policies.

Conference organizer
November 2016

National Debate “Educated Romania – Functional Illiteracy National Debate”

Project coordinator: Center for the Study of Democracy, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania in partnership with the Romanian Presidential Administration

Main responsibilities:

- managed invitations;
- managed agenda (sessions, speakers and moderators);
- managed event logistics;

Researcher
April 2016 – Sept. 2017

“New Actors & Mechanisms of Democratic Accountability in International Development: Reputation Building of Official Development Assistance Emergent Donors”

Project coordinator: University of Bucharest

Main responsibilities:

- conducted literature review;
- prepared emergent donors country profiles;
- presented project results in conferences and research seminars;

Researcher
Nov. 2015 – Sept. 2017

“Religious organizations and youth social capital in postcommunist states”

Project coordinator: Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Main responsibilities:

- conducted fieldwork in Madrid area, targeting members of the Romanian Diaspora;
- conducted data analysis and reporting;
- presented in various academic conferences;
- co-edited an academic article currently under review.

Teaching Assistant
Oct. 2014 – Present

Department of Political Science, College of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Main responsibilities:

- Academic workshops at BA Level: Theories of Democracy, Transitions to Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe, Introduction to Political Science and Public Policy Analysis;
- Academic workshops at MA Level: Human Development, Post-Conflict Reconstruction.

Facilitator

Dec. 2014 – June 2015

“The role of Universities in Education for Development and Democratic Societies”
Project coordinator: Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Project financed by United Nations Development Programme and The Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Main responsibilities:

- Coordinated and drafted a handbook on Millennium Development Goals for teenagers;
- piloted the handbook in high schools in Romania.

Trainee

Nov. 2013 – Dec. 2014

Study visit in Burundi
Project coordinator: The Partner Foundation for Local Development, Romania and The Forum for Conscience and Development (FO.CO.DE), Burundi

Main responsibilities:

- visited organizations that delivered projects in accordance to the Millennium Development Agenda;
- delivered a speech on behalf of the United Nations Political Bureau, Burundi;
- designed a training programme for Romanian high school students based on the knowledge acquired during the study visit.

Extracurricular activities with the FSPAC students

July 2016

Erasmus + Mobility with SSSP in Malta

Students enrolled in the Political Science participated at one week workshop on Civic Engagement in Democratic societies (Part I of the training)

July 2017

Erasmus + Mobility with SSSP in Cluj-Napoca

Students enrolled in the Political Science participated at one week workshop on Civic Engagement in Democratic societies (Part II of the training)

November 2019

SSSP Student Conference

Providing academic feedback for the students participating at the conference.

November 2019

Erasmus + Mobility In Germany

During that exchange I was the principal trainer and students enrolled in MA programme of International Development participated at one week workshop on youth engagement in democratic societies.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING



Bachelor of Arts in Journalism
2007-2010

Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Research Topic: „The Public Speech and the Media Show”, case study on the last presidential electoral debate between Traian Băsescu and Mircea Geoană

Bachelor of Arts in Law
2008 – 2012

Faculty of Law, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Research Topic: „The Military Intervention in Libya, between legitimacy and interest”

Master of Arts in International Development
2012-2014

Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Research Topic: „How does the institutional design influence the peacebuilding process in post-conflict states?”

PhD candidate in Political Science
2014 – Present

Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Research Topic: The role and the place of international cooperation for development policies into the foreign policy agenda of emerging donors. Comparative case study: Central and Eastern Europe vs. Latin American countries

September 2014

Summer School in Philosophy, Economics and Politics, CADI Romania

November 2014

International Training on Human Rights Education for Youngsters, European Commission (Lithuania)

May 2015

Infrastructure for Peace Project, training course on mapping the actors, analyzing violent situations, PATRIR Romania (Cluj-Napoca, Romania)

August 2015

Partnership Building Activity, How to promote Human Rights and Rule of Law in MENA Region, European Commission (Jordan)

September 2015

„Youth Migrants across Europe”, a youth exchange project, European Commission (Romania)

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

Romanian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C1	C1	C1
French	B2	B2	B2	B1	B2

International Certificate issued by the French Chamber of Commerce, Paris, 2012.

Levels: A1/A2: Basic user - B1/B2: Independent user - C1/C2 Proficient user

Communication skills

good communication skills gained through my experience as a teaching assistant and as a facilitator in various international projects

Digital competence

SELF-ASSESSMENT

Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Proficient User	Proficient User	Proficient User	Independent User	Proficient User

good command of office suite (word processor, spread sheet, presentation software).

good command of SPSS, TOSMANA, FSQCA.

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Conferences and Publications:

- VORNICU, Andreea, Diandra Tanasă, (2021), *Addressing energy poverty through construction and renovation licenses*, Policy Brief, Center for the Study of Democracy. https://www.democracycenter.ro/application/files/5616/2686/2615/energy_poverty_renovation.pdf
- SINEA, Anca, Andreea Vornicu, (2021), *Energy Poverty in CEE and SEE*, Regional Position Paper, Center for the Study of Democracy, <https://www.democracycenter.ro/english/publications/second-theme/energy-poverty-cee-and-see>
- SINEA, Anca, George Jiglău, Andreea Vornicu, (2021), *Energy Poverty in the Rural Context*, Policy Brief, Center for the Study of Democracy. https://www.democracycenter.ro/application/files/6216/2686/1296/energy_poverty_rural.pdf
- VORNICU, Andreea, Anca Sinea, (2021), *Energy Poverty on the Housing and Renting Market*, Policy Brief, Center for the Study of Democracy. https://www.democracycenter.ro/application/files/3316/2685/8959/Housing_market_and_EP_2.pdf
- SINEA, Anca, Andreea Vornicu, George Jiglău, (2021), *Energy Poverty in Buildings in Romania*, National Report, Center for the Study of Democracy, https://www.democracycenter.ro/application/files/7916/2686/2125/Energy_poverty_buildings_-_report.pdf.
- TESCHNER, Naama, Anca Sinea, Andreea Vornicu, Tareq Abu-Hamed, Maya Negev (2020). *Extreme energy poverty in the urban peripheries of Romania and Israel: Policy, planning and infrastructure*, Energy Research & Social Science, Elsevier.
- GHICA, Luciana Alexandra, Paula M. BEUDEAN, Florin FEȘNIC, Bogdan Mihai RADU, Csongor Erno SZOCS, Claudiu D. TUFIȘ, Andreea VORNICU. 2017. Mapping Contemporary Emergent Donors of Development Aid and their Role in Promoting Democratization: Conceptual and Methodological Challenges. *SCOPE: Science of Politics - 4th International Interdisciplinary Conference of Political Research*, University of Bucharest, 26-28.05.2016, Bucharest, Romania.
- VORNICU, Andreea. 2017. Determinants of low educational performances for 15-year-old pupils in Romania. *13th Conference of the European Sociological Association*, 29.08-01.09.2017, Athens, Greece.
- VORNICU, Andreea. 2016. Dilemmas in Defining Rule of Law and Its Implications in Implementing and Measuring SDG16 - Peaceful and Inclusive Societies for Sustainable Development. *SCOPE: Science of Politics - 3rd International Interdisciplinary Conference of Political Research*, University of Bucharest, 27-28.05.2016, Bucharest, Romania.
- VORNICU, Andreea. 2016. Dilemmas in Defining Rule of Law and Its Implications in Implementing and Measuring SDG 16 (Peaceful and Inclusive Societies for Sustainable Development). *"Contemporary social transformations : Reflecting inter-cultural encounters" - 8th Slovenian Social Sciences Conference*, 15-17.09.2016, Piran, Slovenia.
- GHICA, Luciana Alexandra, Bogdan Mihai RADU, Andreea VORNICU (2018), *Relations between Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) from the wider Black Sea Region and their Donors*, Report coordinated by FOND Romania, at <http://www.blackseango.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Final-Report-Donors-in-the-Black-Sea-Region.pdf>.
- VORNICU Andreea, Carmen Greab (2018), General Context and Education in A. Cosciug et al (Eds.), *Migrants' Integration Index, Romanian Report*, at <http://migrationcenter.ro/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/IIIR-2017.pdf>
- VORNICU, Andreea (2017) *One Church, Different Roles, Different Missions. Case Study on the Romanian Diaspora Living in Spain*, *Europolis* 11(1): 34-43.

