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- **Anthropologist, sociologist, philosopher.**
- **Born:** October 27, 1942, in Mărășești, district of Vrancea, Romania.
- **Studies:** Faculty of Philosophy, University of Bucharest (1965), PhD at University of Bucharest (1977; the title of dissertation: *Statutul epistemologic al antropologiei sociale și culturale / The Epistemological Status of Social and Cultural Anthropology*).
- **Position:** Senior Researcher at the “Francisc I. Rainer” Institute of Anthropology, Romanian Academy; also, he is Professor of social and cultural anthropology at the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work, as well as the Faculty of Philosophy (at this latter he coordinates PhD programmes).
- **Activities:** His contributions range both in the domain of field research and in theory. As a fieldworker he conducted personal (individual) and collective field researches in several regions of Romania on such themes as community studies, kinship, rites, values, world view. As to the theoretical approach, he is interested especially in history and epistemology of anthropology.
- **Selected Publications:**
 - *Antropologia culturală. Un profil epistemologic / Cultural Anthropology. An Epistemological Profile.* Bucharest: Criterion Publishing (2005) (in Romanian, but with a substantial summary in English). Other contributions:
 - 1995. “Discovering the Whole of Humankind. The Genesis of Anthropology Through the Hegelian Looking Glass”, in Han F. Vermeulen & Arturo Alvarez Roldán (eds), *Fieldwork and Footnotes. Studies in the History of European Anthropology*, pp. 60–74. London & New York: Routledge.
 - 2000. “Nichtorganische Entwicklung, Eigentumsform und die moralische Krise in Rumänien nach 1989”, in Anneli Ute Gabanyi & Anton Sterbling (hrsg.), *Sozialstruktureller Wandel, soziale Probleme und soziale Sicherung in Südosteuropa*, pp. 191–204. München: Südosteuropa Gesellschaft.
 - 2002. “Anthropology’s Long Journey to Professionalization. Some Problems with Cultural Anthropology in Romania”, in Peter Skalník (ed.), *A Post-Communist Millennium: The Struggles for Sociocultural Anthropology in Central and Eastern Europe*, pp. 99–113. Prague: Set Out.
 - 1980. “On Mindscapes”, CA Comment, in *Current Anthropology*, 21 (6), p. 803.
 - 1983. “Les projets roumains d’Arnold Van Gennep”, in *Ethnologica*, no. 3, pp. 33–44.
 - 1997. “Ethnicity and Globalisation. Outline of a Complementarist Conceptualisation”, in *Social Anthropology*. Journal of the European Association of Social Anthropologists, 5 (2), pp. 197–209.
 - 1999. “Ideas of Culture. Romanian Para-Anthropologists in the First Half of the Twentieth Century”, in *Journal of the History of the Behavioral Sciences*, 35 (1), pp. 23–40.
 - 1999. “Enlarging the Classical Paradigm. Romanian Experience in Doing Anthropology at Home”, in *Anthropological Journal on European Cultures*, 8 (1), pp. 61–78.
 - 2002. “Health as a Value in Romanian Folk Culture”, in *Ethnologia Balkanica*, 6, pp. 209–220.
 - 2005. “Remembering Ancestors. Commemorative Rituals and the Foundation of Historicity”, in *History and Anthropology*, 16 (3), pp. 349–361.
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