

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### Personal information

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### Education

Year	Faculty/department - University/institution - Country
2000-2005	Faculty of Sociology, University of Bucharest, Romania <b>PhD in Sociology</b>
1996-2000	Faculty of Communication Science, "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy, Romania <b>BA in Communication Sciences</b>

### Positions - current and previous

Year	Job title – Employer - Country
2022 - CURRENT	<b>Director of the Doctoral Studies Council</b> "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2022- CURRENT	<b>Visiting Fellow</b> University of Economic Studies Romania
2017- CURRENT	<b>Visiting Fellow</b> University of Bucharest Romania
2019-2021	<b>Dean</b> Faculty for Intelligence Studies, "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2014 – CURRENT	<b>Full Professor, PhD Supervisor</b> "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2018-2019	<b>Acting Director for Doctoral Studies Council</b> "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2012–2018	<b>Institute Director</b>

	National Institute for Intelligence Studies, "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2008-2014	<b>Associate Professor</b> "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2008-2012	<b>Head of department</b> Social Sciences Department, "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2005-2008	<b>Lecturer</b> "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2002-2005	<b>Teaching assistant</b> "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania
2000-2002	<b>Junior researcher</b> Department of Research for Euro-Atlantic Integration, "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy Romania

#### Most relevant project management experience

Year	Project title - Role – Funder – Budget – link to project webpage
2019-2023	Critical Studies in Intelligence, Technologies, and Security Governance (INSET) Project Director ERASMUS Mundus 55.000 EUR
2018-2020	CRESCent – Mind the gap in media Coverage and Strategic communication in Case of security Threats Project Director Strategic partnership project within ERASMUS+ Program 274185.00 lei <a href="https://crescentproject.eu/">https://crescentproject.eu/</a>
2016-2019	Construirea unei infrastructuri performante de cercetare-dezvoltare-inovare în domeniul sistemelor de intelligence pentru securitate (INTELLIGENT) Project Director Programul Operațional Competitivitate 2014-2020, Axa Prioritară 1: Cercetare, Dezvoltare tehnologică și Inovare (CDI) în sprijinul competitivității economice și dezvoltării afacerilor, Acțiunea 1.1.1: Mari infrastructuri de CDI 58.482.263,27 lei <a href="https://proiect-inteligen.ro/">https://proiect-inteligen.ro/</a>
2016-2022	Evolving Security Science through Networked Technologies, Information policy And Law (ESSENTIAL)

	<p>Research Executive Agency, Excellent Science Department, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Innovative Training Networks</p> <p>Scientist in charge, research director on behalf of MVNIA in the consortium</p> <p>645206.04 EUR</p> <p><a href="https://www.essentialresearch.eu/">https://www.essentialresearch.eu/</a></p>
2016-2018	<p>Culture and RISKmanagement in Man-made And Natural Disasters (CARISMAND)</p> <p>Programul „Premierea participării la Orizont 2020”, UEFISCDI, PN-III-P3-3.6-H2020-2016-0023</p> <p>18.813,90 lei</p> <p><a href="https://www.animv.ro/en/proiecte/">https://www.animv.ro/en/proiecte/</a></p>
2016-2018	<p>Citizen Interaction Technologies Yield Community Policing (CITYCOP)</p> <p>Programul „Premierea participării la Orizont 2020”, UEFISCDI, PN-III-P3-3.6-H2020-2016-0022</p> <p>18.813,90 lei</p> <p><a href="https://www.animv.ro/en/proiecte/">https://www.animv.ro/en/proiecte/</a></p>
2015-2017	<p>Percepție socială și strategii comunicaționale privind riscurile de securitate națională (REACT)</p> <p>Planul Național de Cercetare Dezvoltare și Inovare 2007-2014, Programul Resurse Umane, Subprogramul Tinere Echipe de Cercetare (PN-II-RU-TE-2014-4-1669)</p> <p>547.630,00 lei</p> <p><a href="https://www.animv.ro/proiecte/">https://www.animv.ro/proiecte/</a></p>
2007 – 2008	<p>Dezvoltarea unui Centru Național de Cercetare în Intelligence și Securitate</p> <p>Project Director</p> <p>Programul Operațional Creșterea Competitivității Economice, co-finanțat prin Fondul European de Dezvoltare Regională „Investiții pentru viitorul dumneavoastră”</p> <p>13.000.000 lei</p> <p><a href="https://www.animv.ro/proiecte/">https://www.animv.ro/proiecte/</a></p>

#### Other relevant professional experiences

Year	Description - Role
2023-2024	President, Political Sciences, Security Studies, Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Safety Committee, CNATDCU, Ministry of Education
2020-2023	Vice-President, Political Sciences, Security Studies, Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Safety Committee, CNATDCU, Ministry of Education
Since 2023	Co-chair for Early Career Scholar Group, Intelligence Studies Section Governance and Leadership (International Studies Association)
Since 2023	Co-organiser of the Energy Concerns in National Security and Business Intelligence – annual international conference (in partnership with ASE Bucharest)
Since 2022-	MVNIA representative in the Executive Academic Board of the European Defence and Security College, European External Service

2020 -2023	Vice-president, Political Sciences, Security Studies, Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Safety, CNATDCU, Ministry of Education
Since 2023	Program Director, Advanced Research into Hybrid Threats co-organised with the European Defence and Security College, European External Service
July 2023	Program Director, European Defence and Security College Doctoral School University Summer School on Common Security and Defence Policy
Since 2023	Program Director, Strategic Leadership in Security and Intelligence Culture, European Defence and Security College
Since 2023	Program Director, Foreign Information Manipulation and Interference, European Defence and Security College
Since 2021	Co-organiser of the Intelligence and National Security Doctoral School annual conference
Since 2020	Member of the Empowering a Pan-European Network to Counter Hybrid Threats (funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020)
2019 - 2026	Chair, International Association for Intelligence Education European Chapter
2019	Program Director, Mapping the Future of Intelligence Education International conference
2016-2020	Member, Military Sciences, Intelligence and Public Safety Committee, CNATDCU, Ministry of Education
2012-2017	Program director, Intelligence in the Knowledge Society annual international conference
Since 2014	Member in the Editorial Board of the International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence (Taylor and Francis)
Since 2011	Member in the Editorial Board of the Romanian Journal of Intelligence Studies (Revista Română de Studii de Intelligence) (Taylor and Francis)
Since 2011	Member of the International Studies Association
Since 2026	Member in the Advisory Board of the International Association for Intelligence Education Europe

### List of publications and other research projects (2019-2025) - selection

#### Articles, books and book chapters

1. **Chiru, I., & Ivan, C.** (2026). "Shaping the next generation of intelligence scholars". *International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence*, 1–11.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/08850607.2025.2606745>
2. **Chiru, I.** (2025). "Intelligence Education in Europe: A Puzzle to Be Solved". *International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence*, 38(3), 785–801.  
<https://doi.org/10.1080/08850607.2025.2460936>
3. Arcos, R. **Chiru, I.** & Ivan. C. (2024) (eds.) "Routledge Handbook of Disinformation and National Security", Routledge.
4. **Chiru I.** & Mireille Rădoi (2024). "Looking at Competitive Intelligence as an Emergent Practice. Recent Developments and Key Takeaways from Romania" in *ICBE 2023*:

*Rethinking Business for Sustainable Leadership in a VUCA World*, Springer Cham, <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-50208-8> 4.

5. Ivan, C. **Chiru I.** & Arcos, R. (2024) "Hybrid Security Threats and the Information Domain: Concepts and Definitions" in Arcos, R. Chiru, I. & Ivan. C. (2024) (eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Disinformation and National Security*, Routledge.
6. **Chiru I.** & Ivan. C. (2024). "[Intelligence in the time of war: Romanian lenses on changing practices and social dynamics](https://doi.org/10.1080/02684527.2024.2329420)" in *Intelligence and National Security*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/02684527.2024.2329420>
7. **Chiru I.** & Buluc R. (2024). "An Ethical Understanding of Military Strategic Communication, Public Relations, and Persuasion" in Arcos, R. Chiru, I. & Ivan. C. (2024) (eds.) *Routledge Handbook of Disinformation and National Security*, Routledge.
8. **Chiru, I.** & Ivan, A. L. (2022). "Building Ecosystems of Intelligence Education: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly" in Ruben Arcos , Nicole K. Drumhiller , Mark Phythian (eds.) *The Academic-Practitioner Divide in Intelligence Studies*, Roman and Littlefield, New York, ISBN 10 1538144468.
9. **Chiru, I.** Ivan, C.& Arcos, R. (2023). "Diversity in Intelligence: Organizations, Processes, and People" in *International Journal of Intelligence and CounterIntelligence*, 607-620, <https://doi.org/10.1080/08850607.2022.2047533>
10. Ivan, C., **Chiru, I.** & Arcos, R. (2021). "A whole of society intelligence approach: critical reassessment of the tools and means used to counter information warfare in the digital age" in *Intelligence and National Security*, 495-511, [doi.org/10.1080/02684527.2021.1893072](https://doi.org/10.1080/02684527.2021.1893072).
11. **Chiru, I.** (2019). *Analiza în intelligence: de la artă la știință*, București, Tritonic, ISBN 978-606-749-390-0.
12. **Chiru, I.** și Ivan, C. (2019). "Security Gaming Scenario: A Pun Upon ... Cards in a Multicultural Setting" in Ruben Arcos Martin și William Lahneman (ed.) *The Art of Intelligence: More Simulations, Exercises, and Games*, Roman and Littlefield, New York, ISBN 9781538123454
13. **Chiru, I.** (2019). "National Intelligence Cultures" in Florina Cristiana Matei și Carolyn Halladay (ed.) *The Conduct of Intelligence in Democracies: Processes, Practices, Cultures*, Lynne Rienner, ISBN 9781626378216.

#### Grants and research projects

1.	<b>Project ISF, European Union's Internal Security Fund — Police, 2019-2020</b>	<i>A radical model of resilience for young minds - ARMOUR</i>	Research team member
2.	<b>Project EU HYBNET, Horizon 2020-2025, Laurea University of Applied Sciences, Finland</b>	<i>Empowering a Pan-European Network to Counter Hybrid Threats –</i>	Research team member
3.	<b>Project MIRROR, Horizon 2020, 2020-2023</b>	<i>Migration-Related Risks Caused by Misconceptions of Opportunities and Requirement</i>	Security Advisory Board member
4.	<b>Project DOMINOES,</b>	<i>Digital cOMPetences INformatiOn EcoSystem</i>	Research team member

	<b>ERASMUS, 2022-2024</b>		
5.	<b>Project POWER, ERASMUS, 2024-2027</b>	<i>Prevention Of Weaponization and Enhancing Resilience against security-related disinformation on clean energy</i>	Research team member

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