Comparativism, Identity, Communication (CIC2015): International Conference

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Faculty of Letters, University of Craiova, Romania & The Society of Philological Sciences invite you to:

COMPARATIVISM, IDENTITY, COMMUNICATION (CIC2015)

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Craiova, 16-17 October, 2015

Call for Papers

By bringing the concepts of “comparativism”, “identity”, “communication” together, the conference will focus on the complex identities interactively engaged in the society “conquered by communication”.

Transmodern globalized communication implies rapid, spectacular, misleading and ambivalent processes: communication can be seen as a means of emancipation of the individual / nations, but also as a means of controlling them. It is necessary, therefore, to rethink “human condition” in the context of interculturalism and “netocracy” and from the point of view of mutual conditioning and interactive feedback.

The opening towards otherness, that accompanies the transgression of the borders of communication supposes identity awareness. Multicultural cohabitation is possible if
individuals become aware of symbols of identity and their value, if they consciously participate in the intercultural dialogue and operate with flexible concepts and, by all means, if they place themselves under the unifying sign of meaning.

Comparative studies provide new insights into the complex matters of intercultural relations and identity issues, but they also provide food for thought for the field of communication studies. While focusing on general and comparative literature, it is not our intention, though, to limit the scope of the conference to this area. We envisage comparison as an all-encompassing scientific method, which might apply to linguistics, anthropology, cultural studies etc.

The interdisciplinary perspective and the generous thematic spectrum will, hopefully, allow the rethinking of the issues mentioned above.

**Thematic areas:**

1. *Comparativism:* influence, reception, intertextuality, palimpsestic rewriting, comparative poetics, comparative imagology, inter-aesthetic and inter-semiotic relations (literature and the other arts); comparison between languages and linguistic phenomena.

2. *Pragmasemantic aspects of communication:* emotive meaning, argumentative roles, illocutionary functions, implicit meaning, linguistic / semantic context and extralinguistic or situational context.

3. *The rhetorical aspects of communication:* tropes, figures of thought, sophisms; political, journalistic, didactic discourse.


5. *Identity reconstruction and deconstruction:* discourse on identity and cultural diversity; post-communist transition and negotiation of identity; “the writing” of the multicultural self in the media; otherness and the dynamics of communicative relations.

6. *Postmodern culture:* hybridization, polyphony, interculturality etc.

**Interdisciplinary perspectives:** comparativism, discourse analysis, gender studies, philosophy, imagology, pragmatics, semiotics, cognitive linguistics.

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Deadline for registration and submission of abstracts: **15 September 2015.**
Notification of acceptance will be sent by September 25th, 2015.
Please send the registration form and the abstracts by e-mail to: parpala_afana@yahoo.com

**Participation fee:** 200 RON / 50 Euro; Ph.D. candidates: 150 RON / 40 Euro. The conference fee includes the conference map, coffee / tea, lunch, dinner and the publication of two volumes of selected articles. It could be paid in Craiova (October, 16) or in the following bank accounts until September, 30, with the mention *Taxa CIC2015:*

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**Conference languages:** Romanian, English, French, Italian, Spanish.

**Presentation:** the papers presented should not exceed 20 minutes (+ 10 minutes for discussions).
**Publication**: The papers are subject to PEER REVIEW. The selected papers will be published in 2015, by Universitaria Publishing House, Craiova (CNCS: B category). The proceedings of CIC 2014 will be published by Cambridge Scholars Publishing in 2015.

**Registration Form:**

Title:……

   Abstract (maximum 200 words, in English or in French, Word format, TNR, 12)
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Language of the presentation:……

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