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Citizenship

Romanian

Date of birth

18.11.1972

Gender

Male

Work experience

Dates

November 2007 – present

Occupation or position held

Researcher

Main activities and responsibilities

Drafting research proposals, directing and carrying out data collection, writing research reports and articles. Publishing in scholarly journals and books. Consultancy with stakeholders.

Name and address of employer

Institutul pentru Studierea Problemelor Minorităților Naționale / The Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities

str. Gavril Muzicescu 5 , Cluj-Napoca 400697., Romania

Type of business or sector

Academia, Research sector, Social research

Dates

February 2003 – February 2006

Occupation or position held

PhD Researcher

Main activities and responsibilities

Carrying out fieldwork, gathering data, data analysis, writing the PhD thesis.

Name and address of employer

Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

Advokatenweg 36, 06114 Halle/Saale, Germany

Type of business or sector

Academia, Social Research

Dates

October 2000 – July 2002

Occupation or position held

Local Faculty Fellow

Main activities and responsibilities

Teaching at the Babeş-Bolyai University, tutorial activities with students

Name and address of employer

Civic Education Project,

3557 N. 36th St., Arlington, VA 22207, USA

Type of business or sector

Academia, Higher education

Education and training

Title of qualification awarded	PhD in Social Anthropology / Ethnology
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Martin Luther University, Halle-Wittenberg, Germany
Title of the thesis	Born again in postsocialist Romania: Ritual, personhood, and conversion among the Roma in a Transylvanian village
Supervisors	Chris Hann, Richard Rotteburg
Dates	September 2004 - July 2007
Title of qualification awarded	PhD in Philology
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
Title of the thesis	Rolul factorilor lingvistici și culturali în mișcarea politică a romilor (The role of cultural and linguistic factors in the political movement of the Roma)
Supervisors	János Péntek
Dates	November 2001 - October 2009
Title of qualification awarded	MA in Nationalism Studies
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Central European University, Budapest
Title of the thesis	The International Romany Movement in the 90s
Supervisors	Michael Stewart, Mária Kovács
Dates	September 1999 – July 2000
Title of qualification awarded	BA in Hungarian Language and Literature – Ethnology
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca
Title of the thesis	A formalizáció folyamata az interetnikus kapcsolatban. Esetelemzés egy cigány-magyar egymás mellett élés példáján (The formalisation process in the interethnic relationships: Case study of Roma and Hungarians living in a divided locality)
Supervisors	Ferenc Pozsony
Dates	September 1992 – July 1996
Other relevant education:	
Title of qualification awarded	Certificate of completion of the course – Training in project management for postdoctoral researchers
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Medical and Pharmaceutical University of Iași “Gr. T. Popa”
Dates	December 2010
Title of qualification awarded	Certificate of completion of the course – "The Plight of the Gypsies"
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	Central European University, SUN, Budapest, Hungary
Dates	July 1999

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Hungarian

Other language(s)

Self-assessment

European level ()*

Romanian

English

Romani

German

Russian

Understanding		Speaking		Writing
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
(C2) Proficient user	(C2) Proficient user	(C1) Proficient user	(C1) Proficient user	(C2) Proficient user
(C2) Proficient user	(C2) Proficient user	(C2) Proficient user	(C2) Proficient user	(C2) Proficient user
(B2) Independent user	(B1) Independent user	(B1) Independent user	(B1) Independent user	(A2) Basic user
(B1) Independent use	(B1) Independent use	(A1) Basic user	(A1) Basic user	(A1) Basic user
(B1) Independent use	(B1) Independent use	(A1) Basic user	(A1) Basic user	(A1) Basic user

() Common European Framework of Reference (CEF) level*

Social skills and competences

- good communication skills acquired during work with different people and under difficult conditions
- competence to communicate in multilingual contexts
- ability to observe, interpret and describe social interaction and the environment

Technical skills and competences

- experience in handling video and photo camera and audiovisual equipment

Computer skills and competences

- good command of Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- experience with scientific (Atlas TI) and bibliographic software (EndNote)
- ability to work with different statistical software (UCI-Net, SPSS)

Other professional activities

Membership in scientific associations

- SSR – Society of Sociologists from Romania (I joined in 2009, in 2010 elected as the president of the Section on Ethnicity and Minorities)
- EASA –European Association of Social Anthropologists (since 2008)
- MNT – Hungarian Association of Ethnographers
- SACR – Romanian Society for Cultural Anthropology (since 2000)
- MAKAT –Hungarian Society for Cultural Anthropology (since 1999)
- KJNT –"Kriza János" Ethnographical Association (since 1996)

Annexes:

- I. Publications
- II. Conference presentations

I. Publications:

Books:

(in press) Társadalmi mozgalmak a romák körében: egy jelenség többszinterű etnográfiaja [A multi-sited ethnography of the social movements among the Roma], Editura Institutului pentru Studiarea Problemelor Minorităților Naționale – Editura Kriterion, Cluj-Napoca 2011.

2009 Ritual Revitalisation after Socialism: Community, Personhood, and Conversion among the Roma in a Transylvanian Village, *Halle Studies in the Anthropology of Eurasia*, Volume 21. Münster: LIT Verlag, 2009.
<http://www.lit-verlag.de/isbn/3-643-10175-4>

2009 *Colecție de studii despre romii din România*, Editura Institutului pentru Studiarea Problemelor Minorităților Naționale – Editura Kriterion, Cluj-Napoca 2009.
http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/ISPMN_2009_Fosztol_Colectie_fragmente.pdf

Edited volumes:

2011 Toma Stefánia – Fosztó László (eds.) *Spectrum*. Studii sociale despre romii. Editura Institutului pentru Studiarea Problemelor Minorităților Naționale – Editura Kriterion, Cluj-Napoca, 2011.
http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/ISPMN_2011_Spectrum.pdf

2009 Mălina Voicu - László Fosztó - Sorin Gog (eds.) *Studia Universitatis Babeș-Bolyai: Sociologia: Twenty Years After the Fall of Official Atheism: The Contemporary Romanian Religious Landscape Vol. (LIV) : 2, Winter*.
<http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/466.pdf>

2009 Kiss Tamás – Fosztó László – Fleck Gábor (eds.) *Comunități fragmentate. Studii de caz asupra romilor din România*, Editura Institutului pentru Studiarea Problemelor Minorităților Naționale – Editura Kriterion, Cluj-Napoca 2009. http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/ISPMN_Incluziune.pdf

Studies:

2010 Mobilising "culture" and "religion": Ritual practices and social relations among two minority groups in rural Transylvania, *Sociologie Românească* 01/2010, p. 132–145.

2009 De la practici de integrare la o filozofie a integrării romilor, *Sfera Politicii* 138, vol 27 issue 8. (August 2009), p. 69-73.
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2009 Víták és irányzatok a roma-kutatásban: vázlat közpolitikák kidolgozásához, *KORUNK* 2009/5. http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/fosztol_korunk2009.pdf

2009 Dezbateri și tendințe în cercetarea romilor. Schiță pentru elaborarea de politici publice, Romanian translation of the article published in *Korunk* 2009/5. <http://www.korunk.org/?q=ro/node/10608>

2008 *Taking the oath: Religious aspects of moral personhood among the Romungre* in Jacobs, Fabian / Ries, Johannes (eds.) *Roma/Zigeunkulturen in neuen Perspektiven // Roma/Gypsy Cultures in new perspectives*. Veröffentlichungen des Instituts für Ethnologie der Universität Leipzig/ Reihe: Tsiganologie – Band 1, Leipzig: Leipziger Universitätsverlag. 119-133 pp.
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- 2008 Conversion narratives, sincere hearts, and other tangible signs: Communicating religious change among the Transylvanian Roma, *Transitions*, vol. 48-2, p. 109-132.
http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/foszto2009_transitions.pdf
- 2007 The Revitalization of Diverging Rituals: the case of Roma and Gadje in a Transylvanian village. *The Anthropology of East Europe Review* 25 (2): 121–131.
<http://scholarworks.iu.edu/journals/index.php/aeer/article/view/412/487>
- 2007 A megtérés kommunikációja: gondolatok a vallási változásról pünkösdzimusra tért romák kapcsán. *Erdélyi Társadalom* 5 (1): 23– 49.
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- 2007 Beszéd és moralitás: az eskü egy kalotaszegi magyarcigány közösségben. In: S. Ilyés and F. Pozsony (eds.). *Lokálisok, határok, találkozások. Tanulmányok erdélyi cigány közösségekről*. Kriza János Néprajzi Társaság Évkönyve 15. Kolozsvár: Kriza János Néprajzi Társaság, pp. 81–95.
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- 2006 Mono-ethnic Churches, the “Undertaker Parish”, and Rural Civility in Postsocialist Romania. In: C. Hann and the “Civil Religion” Group (eds.). *The Postsocialist Religious Question: faith and power in Central Asia and East-Central Europe*. Halle Studies in the Anthropology of Eurasia 11. Münster: LIT, pp. 269–292.
http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/Foszto_in_Hann_2006.pdf
- 2005 Nina Glick Schiller, Boris Nieswand, Günther Schlee, Tsypylma Darieva, Lale Yalcin-Heckmann and László Fosztó: "Pathways of Migrant Incorporation in Germany", *TRANSIT: Vol. 1: No. 1, 2005, Article 50911*.
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- 2003 The Tyrant, the Terrorists and Disruptive Elements: Aliens in the Romanian Revolution of December 1989. In Viorel Anăstăsoaie, Csilla Könczei, Enikő. Magyar-Vincze, and Ovidiu Pecican (eds.) *Breaking the Wall. Representing Anthropology and Anthropological Representations in Post-Communist Eastern Europe.*, p. 71-84. Cultural Analysis Series 6. Cluj-Napoca: EFES p. 71-84. http://ispmn.gov.ro/uploads/foszto2003_tyrant_terrorist.pdf
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- 1999 Csíksomlyó és Barát, In Pozsony Ferenc (ed.) Csángósors. Moldvai csángók a változó időkben, Teleki László Alapítvány, p. 103-111.
- 1998 Cigány - magyar egymás mellett éles Székelyszáldoboson, In Bari Károly (ed.) Tanulmányok a cigányságról és hagyományos kultúrájáról, Petőfi Sándor Művelődési Központ, Gödöllő, 1998, p. 91-110.
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Reviews:

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- 1997 Fiatal Néprajzkutatók V. Országos Konferenciája: Egészség - Betegség - Kultúra (conference), *A Kriza János Néprajzi Társaság Értesítője* 1997/3-4.

1996 Helyzet Könyvek, *A Kriza János Néprajzi Társaság Értesítője* 1996/3-4.

Other publications:

2010 Department II Report: The Halle Focus Group 2003-2010 - Religion, Identity, Postsocialism

http://www.eth.mpg.de/cms/en/publications/reports/d2_report_religion.html

2008 Bibliografie cu studiile și reprezentările despre romii din România – cu accentul pe perioada 1990–2007. *Working papers in Romanian minority studies*, Nr. 3, http://www.ispmn.gov.ro/docs/Fosztó_Laszlo.pdf

2006 *Activism and war reparations: notes from the field*, presentation at the conference: „*Representing Gypsies*” Plasy, Cehia, (June 29 – July 2, 2006), <http://adatbank.transindex.ro/vendeg/htmlk/pdf5618.pdf>

2005 Charismatic Christianity among the Roma in Romania [Research Report], *Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology Report 2004-2005*, pp.166-167, <http://adatbank.transindex.ro/vendeg/htmlk/pdf5617.pdf>

2005 *Conversions to Pentecostalism among the Roma in Romania*, presentation at the conference: „*Religious Conversion after Socialism*” Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle, Germania (April 7-9 2005), <http://adatbank.transindex.ro/vendeg/htmlk/pdf5619.pdf>

Media presence:

2011 NOMEN EST OMEN. Tananyag ne "niggerezzem". És mi a helyzet a Román Akadémia "cigányozásával"?, <http://itthon.transindex.ro/?cikk=13542>

2010 PÁNIK ÉS NYOMOR Romák és a többség: már nem érvényesek a "fekete-fehér" modellek. <http://itthon.transindex.ro/?cikk=12803>

2010 PÁNIK ÉS NYOMOR 2. „Az én gyerekeim cigánnyal ne járjon” – szegregáció és integráció <http://itthon.transindex.ro/?cikk=12844>

2010 ETNICIZÁLT KONFLIKTUS. Fosztó László: a problémákat el kell ismerni roma és magyar oldalon is, <http://itthon.transindex.ro/?cikk=12141>

Public lecture:

2010 Adatbank Café előadás: Mitől lesz/lehet valaki cigány/magyar Erdélyben? (video) <http://adatbankcafe.adatbank.ro/?v=39>

II. Conferences

2011

March 6-9. Presentation: *Roma communities on the move: The conditions and impact of migration in two ethnically mixed villages in Eastern Transylvania* at the workshop: Migration and its effects on demographic and economic development in CEE organised by the ERSTE Foundation, Vienna.

March 26. Presentation: Roma communities and Romani speakers in Romani: an overview at the conference: Multilingualism in Europe: prospects and practices in East-Central Europe [<http://www.nytud.hu/mconf/>] organised by Research Centre for Multilingualism of the Research Institute for Linguistics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

2010

September 26. Convenor and moderator of the panel (with Alina Silian): Disentangling Ethnicity at the VII National Conference of the Romanian Society of Cultural anthropologists.

July 10-11 – co-organised with Yaron Matras and Stefánia Toma: Romani Communities in Romania. A cross-Disciplinary Approach. A workshop co-organised with the Romani Project at the University of Manchester.

2009

April 28, 2009 – Discussant of the panel: “Transylvanian aspects of the Hungarian dance research during the 20th century” and moderator of the final roundtable. Title of the conference: *Hungarian Choreography and Dance Research in Transylvania in the Third Millennium*, organised by the Tranzit Foundation and the Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities, Cluj-Napoca.

February 20, 2009 – “Presentation: Religious renewal and ethnic mobilisation in Transylvanian Roma communities”. Title of the conference: *The Ethnographical and Historical research of Roma culture in the Carpathian Basin. Bódi Zsuzsanna Commemorative Conference* organised by The Hungarian Ethnographical Society and the „Szent István” University, Gödöllő, Hungary, February 18-20. 2009.

2008

December 18, 2008 – “Roma-related research projects of the Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities” (in Romanian) – presentation at the conference: „Ziua Minorităților Naționale” [The Day of National Minorities], organised by the “Kriza János” Ethnographical Association and the RIRNM, Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

November 25, 2008 – “Social Structure and Cultural Aspects of the Roma in Romania” (in Romanian) – Presentation at the conference “Looking for a Home: Romanian Roma in Romania and Italy” organised by FIERI and RIRMN, Torino, Italy, November 24-26, 2008.

November 19, 2008 – “The Problems of Roma in Szeklerland and the directions of social integration” (in Hungarian) – presentation at the conference: “A Different Szeklerland” organised by the Harghita and Covasna County Councils in partnership with the RIRNM, Arcuș, November 19, 2008.

August 29, 2008 – „Beyond identity: new directions in the anthropology of Roma/Gypsy groups” (in English) – workshop organised and moderated (together with Yasar Abu Ghosh) at the 10. *Biennial EASA Conference: „Experiencing diversity and*

- mutuality*”, Ljubljana , Slovenia, 26 - 29 august 2008.
- August 22, 2008 – “Research about Roma in Transylvania” (in Hungarian) – presentation at the *Social Science Summer Camp in Szeltersz*, August 21–24, 2008.
- June 12, 2008 – Organiser and moderator of the workshop: “Romani Language in Socia-political context” (in English) – during the Summer University „*Vino mai aproape!*”/”*Come Closer!*”, Cluj-Napoca, June 12-19, 2008.
- May 21, 2008 – “Ritual and Religion in postsocialist Romania: Case study of a Roma community” (in Romanian) – public lecture organised by the German Cultural Centre and RIRMN, Cluj, Romania

2007

- December 11, 2007 – “The Problem of (De) segregation in the Education of the Roma Children in Romania” (in Hungarian, together with Toma Stefánia) – presentation at the conference: *Roma and Education. Multiple Deprivation or Gypsy Fate*, organised by the Hungarian Academy of Science and Central European University Budapest, Hungary.

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