

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **Research Interests**

Colonialism and postcolonialism in the former Portuguese Colonies (Liberation movements in Angola, formation, outside influences and women participation in these movements; identity and gender issues under colonialism)

Gender studies and social anthropology (women representation in the colonial period and colonial and civil war in Angola; social, literary, memorialistic and museal representation of women in Angola and Mozambique)

Cold War studies and political anthropology (South-South relations; macro and micro histories of solidarity among countries as Angola, Mozambique, Guinea-Bissau and Romania, Bulgaria, former Yugoslavia; representations of this past nowadays)

### **Education**

2011-Present: PhD Candidate in Sociology. Doctoral Program in 'Postcolonialism and Global Citizenship', Centre for Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal.

2009: Bachelor in Philology, Faculty of Foreign Languages, Major Japanese, Minor Portuguese, University of Bucharest, Romania.

2007-2008: Erasmus Student at Minho University, Braga.

### **Teaching Experience**

2014-10-Present: Lecturer in Portuguese, Camões Institute, Faculty of Letters, History and Theology, West University of Timisoara, Romania. Head of the Portuguese Language Centre at the same institution.

2014-04/2014-09: Teaching Assistant for the e-learning post-graduate seminar: 'Conhecimentos insurgentes: metodologias des-de-coloniais', Latin American Council of Social Sciences (CLACSO), Buenos Aires, Argentina.

2013-04/2013-09: Teaching Assistant for the e-learning post-graduate seminar: 'Introdução aos Estudos Pós-Coloniais: Epistemologias Sul-Sul', Latin American Council of Social Sciences (CLACSO), Buenos Aires, Argentina.

### **Research Experience**

2018.06-2018.08: Researcher at the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars. Romanian Cultural Institute grant.

2016-2019: Researcher for 'BLEND - Desejo, Miscigenação e Violência: o presente e o passado da Guerra Colonial Portuguesa' [BLEND – Desire, Miscegenation and Violence: the present and the past of the Portuguese Colonial War]. Project PI: Prof. Dr. Maria Paula Meneses, financed by the Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal.

2016-10-03-2016-10-30: Research in the National Archives of Maputo, Mozambique. French Institute of South Africa grant for young researchers.

2015, 2016, 2018: Research in the National Archives of Romania, The Archives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania and the National Council for the Investigation of the Securitate Archives (CNSAS).

2012-2015: Researcher for 'ALCORA – New Perspectives of the Colonial War: Secret Alliances and Imagined Maps' Project PI: Prof. Dr. Maria Paula Meneses, financed by the Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal.

2013-10-2013-12: PhD Research, Higher Institute of Educational Sciences, Agostinho Neto University (ISCED - UAN), Luanda, Angola.

2012-09-2013-02: PhD Research, Centre for African Studies, São Paulo University (USP), Brazil.

## **Publications**

### **Special Issues:**

Almada e Santos, A.; Tornimbeni, Vasile, I.; C. (eds.) (2019), 'International solidarity and the independence of the Portuguese colonies'. Special Issue of the *Revista Crítica de Ciências Sociais* journal. Journal of the Centre of Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal. Forthcoming in May.

Vasile, I.; Vleja, L.; (eds.) (2019), 'Literaturas póscoloniais em línguas românicas' vol. II [Postcolonial literatures in romance languages]. Special Issue of the *Caligrama: revista de literaturas românicas* journal. Journal of the Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil. Forthcoming in May.

Vasile, I.; Vleja, L.; (eds.) (2018), 'Literaturas póscoloniais em línguas românicas' vol I [Postcolonial literatures in romance languages]. Special Issue of the *Caligrama: revista de literaturas românicas* journal. Journal of the Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil. Forthcoming in December.

Almada e Santos, A.; Tornimbeni, C., Vasile, I. (eds.) (2017), 'International solidarity and the independence of the Portuguese colonies'. Special Issue of the journal *Afriche e Orienti* 3/2017. ISSN: 1592 – 6753. Journal of the University of Bologna.

Meneses, M. P.; Vasile, I. (eds.) (2014), CESCOTEXO. *Desafios aos estudos pós-coloniais. As epistemologias sul-sul*, N° 05, p. 6-12. ISSN 2192-908X. Journal of the Centre of Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal.

### **Book chapters (peer-reviewed):**

Vasile, I.; Iacob, B.; (2019), 'Agents of Decolonization? Romanian Activities in Mozambique's Oil and Healthcare Sectors (1976-1984)' in Hartmetz, A.; Kocsev (eds.). *Spaces of Interaction between the Socialist Camp and the Global South*. Berlin: De Gruyter. Forthcoming.

Vasile, I. (2019), 'The language is mine. The accent is yours: doing fieldwork in Angola' in Robert Gibb, Annabel Tremlett and Julien Danero Iglesias (eds.) *Learning and Using Languages in Ethnographic Research*. Bristol: Multilingual Matters. Forthcoming.

Vasile, I. (2017), 'African Independence within the Socialist Republic of Romania's Photographic Archive' in Maria do Carmo Piçarra; Teresa Castro (eds.), *(Re)Imagining African Independence: Film, Visual Arts and the Fall of the Portuguese Empire*. London: Peter Lang. 151-169. ISBN: 9781787076396

Araujo, C. S.; Vasile, I. (2014), 'The World the Portuguese Developed: Racial Politics, Luso – tropicalism, and Development Discourse in late Portuguese Colonialism' in Hoeld, G. et al. (eds.). *Developing Africa: development discourse in late colonialism*. Manchester: Manchester University Press, 295-321. ISBN: 978-0-7190-9180-3

### **Articles (peer-reviewed)**

Vasile, I.; Meneses, M. P. (2018), 'BLEND: investigando com e sobre mulheres'. In *Mujeres investigadoras y investigación sobre mujeres en las universidades ibéricas*. Forthcoming

Vasile, I.; Peixoto, C. (2017), 'O amor e a guerra no Planalto e na Estepe: entre camaradas angolanos, a União Soviética e a Guerra Fria'. In *Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai. Philologia*, LXII, 4, 2017, p. 185-198. ISSN (print): 1220-0484, ISSN (online): 2065-9652, ISSN-L: 1220-0484.

Peixoto, C., Vasile, I. (2016), 'Dos traumas da (des)colonização ao mal-estar nas relações político-económicas atuais: o caso de Angola-Portugal'. In Meneses, Maria Paula, Martins, Bruno Sena (org.), CESCOTEXO. *Direitos e Dignidade. Trajetórias e experiências de luta*. IX Edição do Congresso Ibérico de Estudos Africanos, nr. 13, p. 33-49. ISSN 2192-908X

Manole, V., Vasile, I. (2013), 'As traduções literárias nas relações culturais romeno-portuguesas'. In *Translationes*, nr. 5, p. 27-45. ISSN: 2067 – 2705

### **Scholarships and Grants (short selection)**

2018: Short term Scholar grant at the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars granted by the abovementioned institution and the Romanian Cultural Institute.

2018: Erasmus+ Teaching grant at Pedagogical State University, Russian Federation, granted by the West University of Timisoara, Romania, and the European Council.

2018: Erasmus+ Teaching grant at Stockholm University, Sweden, granted by the West University of Timisoara, Romania, and the European Council.

2017: Erasmus+ Teaching grant at Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG), Brazil, granted by the West University of Timisoara, Romania, and the European Council.

2016: Research Funding for PhD students, granted by the French Institute of South Africa (IFAS-Research), for one month of research in the National Archives of Maputo, Mozambique.

2016: Grant for organizing the International Colloquium 'In from the Cold War: Eastern Europe, Sub-Saharan Africa and Cultural Diplomacy during the Cold War', granted by Centre Régional Francophone de Recherches Avancées en Sciences Sociales, Bucharest, Romania.

2014: PhD Scholarship 'O poder da escrita: (re)escrevendo as lutas de libertação em Angola (1945 – 1961)' [The power of the writing: (re)writing the liberation struggles in Angola], granted by the Foundation for Science and Technology, Portugal.

### **Presentations in scientific events (short selection)**

Vasile, I. ; Meneses, M. P. (2018), 'BLEND - investigando com e sobre mulheres a partir do CES', 'Mujeres investigadoras e investigación sobre mujeres en las universidades ibéricas' International Conference. University of Salamanca, 27 to 28 September.

Vasile, I. (2018), 'Vozes femininas a partir do Sul: mulheres no eclodir da luta de libertação em Angola'. IV International Congress of Anthropology - AIBR, University of Granada. 4 to 7 of September.

Vasile, I. (2018), 'Perfis femininos na literatura angolana sobre a Guerra para a Independência Nacional'. Camões Institute, West University of Timisoara, 15 May.

Vasile, I. (2018), 'You should have spoken with my husband': on women (self)representation and national independence in Angola (1945-1961). IN/EQUALITIES narrative & critique,

resistance & solidarity, International Graduate Conference in Gender Studies, Central European University, Budapest, 3 to 6 May.

Vasile, I. (2018), 'Deveria ter falado com o meu marido: (auto)representação feminina e independência nacional angolana (1945-1961)', Camões Institute, University of Stockholm, 8 March.

Vasile, I.; Iacob, B. C. (2017), 'Elective Affinities under Duress: Limits of Romania-Mozambique Bilateralism (1976-1984)', *Spaces of Interaction between the Socialist Camp and the Global South: Knowledge Production, Trade, and Scientific-Technical Cooperation in the Cold War Era*, Leipzig University, 26 to 27 October.

Vasile, I. (2017), 'Brotherhood in socialism': cultural exchanges between Socialist Republic of Romania and Angola and Mozambique during the Cold War years', *From Below and In Between - Narrating and Practicing the Cold War in South East Europe*, Humboldt University, Berlin, 01 to 02 June.

Vasile, I. (2017), 'Entre a memória e o esquecimento: três lugares de memória em Moçambique, África de Sul e Roménia', *Seminário Permanente (Grupo de Investigação Estopim)*, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, 4 May.

Vasile, I. (2017), 'As independências de Angola e Moçambique no Arquivo Fotográfico da República Socialista de Roménia', *Seminário permanente em Estudos Africanos*, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, 3 May.

Vasile, I. (2017), 'Being women and native in the South Atlantic: the legal classificatory politics of race and gender in late colonial Angola, ca. 1950-1960', *Seminário Permanente em Estudos Africanos*, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, 2 May.

Vasile, I. (2016), "Caro amigo: Mozambique and Socialist of Romania's 'soft power' and cultural diplomacy during the Cold War years", at *Circulations: the (un)making of Southern Africa beyond and across borders*, French Institute of South Africa (IFAS), Johannesburg, 03 to 04, November.

Vasile, I. (2016), 'Samora Machel e Nicolae Ceausescu: aspectos da política internacional na Europa de Leste' at the Conference *Samora Machel na História: Memória, Educação e Cultura Popular*, Fortaleza de Maputo, Moçambique, 28 to 29, October.

Vasile, I. (2016), "The language is mine. The accent is yours': doing fieldwork in Angola', paper presented at *Language Learning and Ethnographic Fieldwork*, University of Glasgow, 11 to 12, April.

Vasile, I. (2016), "The party, the leader, Romania': Colonialism and Independence within the Socialist Republic of Romania Photographic Frame', paper presented at *Liberation Struggles, the 'Falling of the Empire' and the Birth [Through Images] of African Nation*, Kings College, London, UK, 27 to 28, January.

Vasile, I. (2015), 'Romania-Southern Africa Connection: a look into 1970's relations', paper presented at *A luta continua, 40 years later*, French Institute in Johannesburg, South Africa, 05 to 06, November.

Vasile, I. (2015), 'Decolonising History: Regional Coalitions in Southern Africa' paper presented at *African contestations and Transnational Linkages: the internationalisation of African Mobilization and the Struggle Against Empire*", Panel 55, 6th European Conference on African Studies, *Collective Mobilisations in Africa: Contestation, Resistance, Revolt*, Paris, France.

