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## Education

- 2014 – Present*                      **Babes-Bolyai University**, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, PhD candidate, Human Geography,  
*Thesis title “Renewable energy projects and peripheralization dynamics in North-West Romania”*  
*(thesis submitted and under review, expected public defense Sep 2017)*
- 2011 – 2013*                      **Central European University**, Budapest, Hungary, MA Political Science  
*Thesis: ““Breaking” identities through diverse networking. The case of Moldovans in Romania”*  
*Degree with Distinction*
- 2008-2011*                      **Babes-Bolyai University**, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, BA Political Science  
*Thesis: “Construction of Identity and Pro-Russian Behavior of Russian Diaspora in Moldova”*

## Work Experience

*September 2014 – Present*

Research Assistant - ITN Regional Polarization **Marie Curie Action**, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania ([www.RegPol2.eu](http://www.RegPol2.eu))

- Comparative analysis of regulations and practices regarding renewables in Romania, Hungary and Germany,
- Researching the impact of the renewable energies on the development of rural communities
- Mapping the Renewable Energy Sources potential of the North-Western Romania
- Understanding the interplay between renewable energy projects and innovation capacity of the host communities
- Drafting of public policy oriented solutions to the peripheralization problem based on renewable energy development potential

*March 2015 – June 2015*

Visiting researcher at **Social Impact Lab** (<http://socialimpact.eu/EN>), Berlin, Germany

- Worked closely with Energy start-ups identifying best practice examples of renewable energy social management in Germany
- Researched local renewable energy related initiatives

*March 2016 – June 2016*

Visiting researcher at the **Centre for Economic and Regional Studies** in Bekescsaba, Hungary and **Mr. Javor Benedek’s office at the European Parliament** in Brussels, Belgium

- In Bekescsaba I looked closely at the Hungarian experience with the renewable energy projects and possible impact on development it had in Hungary
- In Brussels, I collected data on EU’s perspective on the relationship between RES projects and rural/regional development

*September 2015 – November 2016*

External consulting analyst for **TREC – Transylvania Energy Cluster**, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

- Contributing to the projects written by cluster organizations
- Writing reports on the evolution of the national and European energy markets
- Organizing and moderating conference panels as a representative of TREC Cluster at the “Cluj Clusters’ Conference 2016 – Open Innovation”
- Active involvement in the project writing and proof-reading stages
- Mapping of the interests and experiences of the TREC Cluster members.

*July 2013 – August 2014*

Business analyst, **Schneider Electric**, Budapest, Hungary

- Organized 40 tenders in United Kingdom, Romania, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Slovenia and Serbia.
- Provided a comparative analysis of the offers to the client.
- Negotiating commercial and legal terms with suppliers and ensuring the best terms for the client.
- Ensuring permanent connection between client and suppliers.
- Produced market intelligence on gas and power markets for Romania, Serbia, Russia and Slovakia.

## **Certificates**

Certificated in Comparative Politics, **Central European University**, 2013

Energy Management Professional, **Schneider Electric**, 2014

Introduction to Applied Social Network Analysis, **European Consortium for Political Research**, 2016

## **Published papers**

Cebotari, Sorin, “Breaking Social identities through Diverse Networking. The case of Moldovans in Romania”, **CEU Political Science Journal**, Vol 8, No 4, Dec. 2013

Cebotari, Sorin, “Romanian electricity market in the light of fast development of renewable energies: General presentation and critical assessment”, Institute for Regional Studies, **Center for Economic and Regional Studies, Hungarian Academy of Science**. Molnar Nyomada Ltd., 2015

Cebotari, Sorin; Cristea Marius, Moldovan Ciprian, Zubascu Florin “Renewable energy's impact on rural development in northwestern Romania”, **Energy for Sustainable Development**, 37, 110-123, April 2017

Cebotari, Sorin, and Jozsef Benedek “Renewable Energy Project as a Source of Innovation in Rural Communities: Lessons from the Periphery.” **Sustainability** 9 (4): 509, March 2017

## **Languages**

Romanian (*native*); Russian (*fluent*); English (*fluent*); French (*intermediate*); Ukrainian (*limited working proficiency*)