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CLUJ-NAPOCA ROMANIA





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Foreword

Extract from the speech delivered at the 2014 European Language Council Forum,

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"The vast diversity of nations, cultures and languages that is found within the boundaries of the European Union can hardly be considered a disadvantage, but rather an opportunity for Europe to develop the abilities necessary to overcome national and linguistic differences. Its very motto is "unity through diversity", and this also refers to the linguistic aspect. Languages are highly important in the development of an identity, in communication and social integration, but also in attaining quality education in an ever-more globalized world. For this reason, the European Union has committed itself to promoting multilingualism and linguistic diversity. [...]

As part of the European Union, Romania brings important linguistic assets to the linguistic policy of the EU. Situated in Central-Eastern Europe, the historical region of Transylvania, in particular, is characterized by diversity in cultures and languages due to its history and vicinity to other peoples. [...]

Multilingualism in Babeș-Bolyai University holds strong and deep roots and, in order to render it more legitimate, the University elaborated a Charter, in 1995; its aim was to consolidate the lines of study and strengthen the language chairs; in 2001, the University Senate adopted a linguistic policy, thus having settled multilingualism at Babeș-Bolyai University and having set the linguistic training of students, as well as teaching specialized languages. [...]

Babeş-Bolyai University is continually dedicating itself to a sustainable academic life, involving all of its departments and units for the establishment of long-lasting partnerships, within the country and abroad, which should result in the concrete development of the Romanian higher education system, while still keeping with the region's centuries'-long multi-cultural, multi-lingual and multi-confessional character."



YOUTH CAPITAL OF

The Medieval and Baroque architecture of Cluj-Napoca is reminiscent of the city's long history, while elements of modernism have now been added to give the city a contemporary, functional, while exciting feeling. The multi-ethnic, multi-cultural and multi-confessional dimensions of the place can be traced almost anywhere. We believe that it is truly a place to express yourself.

Cluj-Napoca

CLUJ-NAPOCA IS TRULY A PLACE WHERE THINGS ARE HAPPENING.

Cluj-Napoca is built on the site of a Roman municipality, located on one of the main European routes, from Vienna to Bucharest. Located in a hilly area, the city spreads around the Someş River towards the surrounding hills.

The unofficial capital of Transylvania, the 2000-year-old Cluj-Napoca is one of the most vibrant cities in Romania. With a population of around 400,000 people, out of which around 100,000 are college students, the city is bursting with energy the year round.

There are lots of museums, parks, sports facilities and an internationally acclaimed Botanical Garden. Not to mention the countless cafes, restaurants, clubs and discos where one can have a great time, be it day or night. Dynamism and friendliness characterize everyday life. Opportunities to build a career, to start your own business, to enrich your knowledge or just to have a good time are within everyone's reach.

Babeș-Bolyai University.

BABEŞ-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY IS THE LARGEST ROMANIAN UNIVERSITY, SITUATED AT THE CONFLUENCE OF THE WESTERN AND EASTERN CULTURES.

Babeș-Bolyai University Brief Presentation

BABEŞ-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY IS A HIGHER EDUCATION PUBLIC INSTITUTION AIMING TO PROMOTE AND SUSTAIN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIFIC CULTURAL COMPONENTS WITHIN THE LOCAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

Our University is a traditional institution, Humboldtian type of institution, with deep roots in Central Europe and strong international academic ties. Its origins date back to 1581, which makes it the oldest institution of higher education in Romania. It was named after two prominent Transylvanian scientists: the Romanian biologist Victor Babeş and the Hungarian mathematician János Bolyai. Located in Transylvania, a European province with a complex history, Babeş-Bolyai University is the crowning achievement of a long series of attempts to establish here a higher education institution. Thus, the University's international recognition is materialized in different forms of collaboration and joint scientific programmes with other well-renowned universities from all around the world.

As an academic public institution, its aim is to promote and sustain the development of specific cultural components within the local, regional, national and international community.

The University's assets consist in a number of modern buildings, equipped with laboratories at high technical standards, libraries, sports and leisure facilities. Each faculty, cultural centre and research institute has its own library, all being coordinated by the Central Library, the largest in the country with its almost 5 mil. titles. We also provide quality support services, 18 dormitories (with a total capacity of 5.000 places), eateries (2 restaurants and 4 cafeterias), 6 museums (Academic Museum, Mineralogical Museum, Zoological Museum, University Memorial Park, Museum of Paleontology and Stratigraphy), 20 cultural centres, 2 language centres, and other facilities, such as the Botanical Garden, or the Sports Park.

Situated in a geographical area that is illustrated by the presence of diverse ethnic and religious groups, the University benefits from a multicultural, multilingual and multi-confessional environments that give its unique character, and it offers complete studies in Romanian, Hungarian and German, as well as partial studies in international languages (English, French, Italian, Spanish, Russian).

Our students benefit from solid educational and research opportunities under the guidance of a well-established academic staff. Research has continuously and thoroughly been promoted along our University's existence and therefore, laboratories and research centres of internationally scientific relevance have been created. In this respect, Babeş-Bolyai University has made significant investments in the research area, in order to increase its performance and international visibility.

In addition, the University puts a lot of emphasis on foreign language skills and on educational programmes in widely spoken languages, therefore it provides an ample range of internationally competitive Bachelor's level, Master's level and Ph.D. programmes in English, French, German or Italian. Also, in order to allow all students to study at least one foreign language, the University provides for language centres (Lingua Language Centre and Alpha Language Centre) and 20 cultural centres, such as Italian, Austrian, French, Brazilian, Indian, Polish, American, German, Korean, the Institute for Turcology, Confucius Institute.



The linguistic and cultural diversity are defining elements of UBB, representing the specific which distinguishes not only among Romanian universities, but also within the European context.

International Relations

THE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION HANDLES THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OF BABES-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY.

The Centre for International Cooperation was founded in 1990 with the aim of using the opportunities for international cooperation within an adequate institutional framework and in the new democratic regime. At the beginning of 2009, two offices operated within the Centre until 2013: the Office for Cooperation Programmes and the Office for Mobilities, International Students and Community Programmes. In February 2014, CCI was reorganized into three offices:

• The Office for Interuniversity Agreements, in charge with the initiation, negotiation and administration of the cooperation with foreign institutions, with the affiliation to academic international networks, with the creation of new cultural and research structures in international partnerships, and with the cooperation with industries and communities.

• **The Erasmus+ Office**, in charge with the programmes within LifeLong Learning (Erasmus, Erasmus Mundus, Comenius, Grundtvig, Leonardo da Vinci, etc.), as well as with the promotion of community and international programmes for higher education.

• The Office for Mobilities and International Students, in charge with exchange programmes for students, teaching and administrative staff, coordinating the recruitment of international students throughout the University. The Centre for International Cooperation is a structure that offers assistance and consultancy to different categories of beneficiaries – faculties, teaching staff and students –, and also to partner universities. It operates in such a manner as to provide efficient services to the beneficiaries and triggers, at the same time, new opportunities for international cooperation.

This structure supports the UBB-500 objective, namely the strategy of the University to reach the Shanghai Top 500 Academic Ranking through specific activities, such as the amplification of the international cooperation.

The values it operated within are innovation, dynamism, excellence, multiculturalism and intercultural dialogue, professionalism. Its goals are to create and expand the international relations at Babeş-Bolyai University, to increase the number of international students, to develop joint programmes at all study levels, to promote Babeş-Bolyai University educational programmes at an international level, to establish academic and research structures in partnership with foreign universities, to initiate partnerships with international companies.







Strategy of Internationalisation

The University's strategy of internationalisation is an instrument of the various decisional and executive academic forums, as well as an orientating framework of activity for all members of our community. It is conceived as a working document, which identifies the challenges, the suggestions and the options worth taking into consideration in establishing the main lines of internationalisation.

Given the UBB-500 objective, as well as governmental regulations regarding the promotion of internationalisation of higher education and transnational education, we consider this strategy's objectives as being vital and altogether feasible for the growth of institutional visibility on a global level. International education and research assure consistency and allow for comparison in any type of evaluation of an institution as complex as our university.

The need for a comprehensive and well-structured vision, based on the realities of this professional environment, on an international level, derive from a major international promotion of our university. This analysis shows significant developments in quantity (agreements, mobilities, joint programmes with international partners), and substantial progress in expanding our professional context towards particular and competitive academic areal.

Cooperation with British higher education institutions

Babeș-Bolyai University has long established courses and programmes taught in English, and its Department of English Language and Literature (within the Faculty of Letters) is one of the most prestigious not only in Romania, but abroad, as well. The department's teaching staff cover the most important fields of English and American studies.

The department offers students not only access to great knowledge into the field of English studies, but also allowing them access to the British Cultural Studies Centre and Library, among others.

The department has outstanding international cooperation ties with University College of London and with Queen's University in Belfast, as well as other academic forums from across the world. Babeş-Bolyai University goads of an outstanding partnership with the British Council in Cluj-Napoca, as well as with the British companies present in Cluj. In the past, our university had excellent collaborations with the Natural History Museum of London, with:

- Nottingham Trent University
- University of Southampton
- University of Exeter
- University of Liverpool

More recently, Babeş-Bolyai University has signed cooperation agreements with Teeside University in Middlesborough, Great Britain, and with the University of Hull.

Within the Erasmus mobility programme, Babeș-Bolyai University has signed with:

- University of Bradford
- University of Kent
- University of Glasgow
- Liverpool John Moores University
- University College London
- Manchester Metropolitan University
- Nottingham Trent University
- University of Salford
- University of Wolverhampton
- University of Worcester

International Cooperation

Reasoning with typically local, regional and inter-regional cultures, Babeş-Bolyai University has developed into a forum open to all civilisations, with the opportunity to being an international institutional bridge between all cultures.

Research

UBB IS FOCUSED ON ADVANCED RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

Research

THE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IS A FUNDAMENTAL COMPONENT OF THE UNIVERSITY'S ACTIVITY.

Given that Babes-Bolyai University is a comprehensive university focused on advanced research and education the scientific research is a fundamental component of the university's activity, and as such it is used as one of the main evaluation criteria for assessing qualifications and appraising academic performance. Scientific research underlies the process of higher education, which provides training of highly qualified human resources; it also constitutes, through the teaching load, a professional commitment. According to the principles of academic freedom and university autonomy, and in compliance with the ethics and professional codes of conduct, scientific research is free of restrictions and provisions.

The Centre for Research Management operates within UBB under the Rector's Office, insuring the organizational and information framework for creating, implementing and developing institutional research policies and strategies, as well as providing assistance, advice and logistical support to the academic community in order to prepare and conduct scientific research projects in the university. Its main tasks are monitoring the national and international research projects led by or implemented in partnership with Babes-Bolyai University professors and researchers, providing them with technical assistance to properly perform the project activities, and their entire scientific research.



Infrastructure Faculties



Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science Faculty of Physics Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Faculty of Biology and Geology Faculty of Geography **Faculty of Environmental Science Faculty of Law Faculty of Letters Faculty of History and Philosophy Faculty of Sociology and Social Work Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences Faculty of Economics and Business Administration Faculty of European Studies Faculty of Business Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences Faculty of Physical Education and Sport Faculty of Orthodox Theology Faculty of Greek Catholic Theology** Faculty of Reformed Theology **Faculty of Roman Catholic Theology Faculty of Theatre and Television**

The university also has extensions in 12 other towns across Transylvania, two well-established and highly-regarded language centres, as well as 20 cultural centres (either hosted or organised by the university itself), two publishing houses, a book store, a sports park, six museums and two research resorts outside of Cluj.

ADMISSION

Babeș-Bolyai University has a great number of specialisations in Bachelor's degree and in Master's degree, as well as Doctoral studies which rise to European and internationally-competitive standards. Also part of our educational programme are:



Our students, as well as international students may enrol in whichever programme and line of study they wish (Romanian, German or Hungarian), and they can benefit from accommodation in the Haşdeu Campus, which accommodates approximately 5,000 students. Given that the faculties are spread all around the town, the students have access to every event going on in Cluj.

Babeş-Bolyai University offers studies at Bachelor's level in all three lines of study, as well as in other international languages, as follows: 157 programmes of which: 85 in Romanian, 53 in Hungarian, 6 in German – the three traditional lines of study; some other 11 are taught in English, 2 in French, etc. At Master's level, then university has a total of 174 programmes, of which 112 programmes are taught in Romanian, 28 in Hungarian, 5 in German – the university's three traditional lines of study; other programmes taught in international languages, number 34 in English, 7 in French, 3 in Spanish, 2 in Italian; while at Doctoral level, there are 15 programmes.



Programmes taught in English

BACHELOR'S LEVEL

Faculty	Bachelor's degree	Specialisation
Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science	Computer Science	Computer Science
Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering	Chemistry	Chemistry
Faculty of Economics and Business Administration	Accounting Finances Management	Accounting and Business Data Processing Finance and Banking Management
Faculty of European Studies	International Relations and European Studies Cultural Studies	International Relations and European Studies American Studies
Faculty of Business	Business Administration Business Administration	Business Administration Business Administration in Hospitality Services
Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences	Administrative Science Communication Science Political Science	Public Health Services and Policies Journalism Political Science

MASTER'S LEVEL

Faculty	Master's Degree
Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science	Mathematics Applied Mathematics High Performance Computing and Big Data Analysis Software Engineering Applied Computational Intelligence Formal Methods in Programming Modelling and Simulation Component-Based Programming Intelligent systems
Faculty of Physics	Biomaterials The Physics of Solid Body Computational Physics Advanced Materials Science and Technology
Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering	Molecular Modelling in Chemistry and Biochemistry Advanced Processing Chemical engineering
Faculty of Law	International and comparative business law
Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences	Conflict analysis and management Public administration Conflict and crisis management Management for Public Institutions and NGOs Science, technology and innovation in public governance Media communication Advertising and Public relations International Development Research Design and Data Analysis in Social Sciences Policies for Roma inclusion
Faculty of Economics and Business Administration	International business administration International business management Business development management
Faculty of Letters	British Cultural Studies Irish Cultural Studies Current Directions in Linguistics
Faculty of European Studies	Cultural Diplomacy and Global Economies Cultural Diplomacy and International Relations Transatlantic Studies

Cultural Events

AS A GREAT ACADEMIC FORUM, BABEȘ-BOLYAI UNIVERSITY GETS INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS EVENTS





Cultural Events

CLUJ-NAPOCA IS MULTI-CULTURAL, OPEN, DIVERSE, DYNAMIC AND HAS A CHARMING CHARACTER - A TOWN IN THE HEART OF TRANSYLVANIA, PART OF THE EUROPEAN AREAL.

Since 1989, the community of Cluj has opened up to international, inter-cultural events, either taking part in or organising them. As a great academic forum, Babeș-Bolyai University also got involved in such events, most recently in the Days of Cluj (Zilele Clujului). In the 2013 and 2014 first two editions of the cultural week, the university promoted its cultural centres, alongside its academic programmes.

More importantly, however, the students of Babeş-Bolyai University got proactive in volunteering to help organise the event. And so, by taking part in the Promenade for Multiculturality, the academic forum along with its cultural centres organised plays and parades, exhibition of Chinese dances etc., thus promoting multiculturalism in Cluj. Moreover, every year for the past nine years, the students of Babeş-Bolyai University organise the charitable campaign "Come get a coffee!" (Hai la o cafea!) to the benefit of orphan students and to that of children from orphanages.

2015 is a year of particular significance to the citizens of Cluj-Napoca, and to Babeş-Bolyai University, as well. Cluj-Napoca has been designated the 2015 European Capital of Youth. With that, our academic forum will get involved in all cultural and educational activities organised, thus promoting not only the university's, but also the town's multi-cultural, open, diverse, dynamic and charming character, as a town in the heart of Transylvania, part of the European an areal.





Want to find out more?

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