

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Mihaela Asăndulesei



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WORK EXPERIENCE

1 Sep 2015–Present

Research Assistant

Interdisciplinary Research Department – Field Science, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania

12 Jul 2017–Present

Research Assistant in the framework of the CNCS project - The Ethnoarchaeology of Salt in the Inner Carpathian area of Romania (PN-III-P4-ID-PCE-2016-0759, No. 151/12.07.2017), coordinated by Associated Professor PhD Marius Alexianu

"Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania

1 Oct 2014–30 Sep 2017

Research Assistant in the framework of the project - Non-destructive approaches to complex archaeological sites. An integrated applied research model for cultural heritage management (PN-II-PT-PCCE-4-2013-2234, No. 314/2014), coordinated by Scientific Researcher III PhD Andrei Asăndulesei

"Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania

3 Mar 2014–5 Oct 2016

Research Assistant in the framework of CNCS Project - The ethno-archaeology of the salt springs and salt mountains from the extra-Carpathian areas of Romania (PN-II-ID-PCE-2011-3-0825 No. 219/5.10.2011), coordinated by Associated Professor PhD M. Alexianu

"Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

1 Oct 2013–14 Sep 2017

PhD Student

Level III in national classification

"Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania

Title of PhD thesis: *Cultural anthropology of salt in rural world of East-Carpathian Romania*

1 Jan 2015–30 Jun 2015

Grantee of a Doctorate mobility within the Erasmus Mundus - IANUS II project

Ion Creangă State Pedagogical University, Chișinău (Moldova)

8 May 2014–1 Jan 2015

POSDRU Scholarship - 159/1.5/S/137832 - Minerva - „Cooperare pentru cariera de elită în cercetarea doctorală și post-doctorală”

Romanian Academy - Iași Branch, Iași (Romania)

1 Oct 2006–1 Jul 2009 **Master degree**
 "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania
 History

1 Oct 2002–1 Jul 2006 **Bachelor degree**
 "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania
 History

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s) Romanian

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
French	C1	C1	B2	B2	B2
English	C1	B2	B2	B2	B2
Spanish	A2	A2	A1	A1	A1
German	A1	A1	A1	A1	A1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user - B1 and B2: Independent user - C1 and C2: Proficient user
 Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Communication skills Team spirit
 Ability to adapt

Organisational / managerial skills Organizational spirit
 Responsibility
 Tenacity

Digital skills

SELF-ASSESSMENT				
Information processing	Communication	Content creation	Safety	Problem solving
Independent user	Independent user	Independent user	Basic user	Independent user

Digital skills - Self-assessment grid

Other skills

Driving licence B

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Publications

- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, review: Blas Roman Castellon Huerta, *Quando la sal era una joya. Antropología, arqueología y tecnología de la sal durante el Posclásico en Zapotitlan Salinas, Puebla*. Con un prologo de Marius Alexianu, Secretaria de Cultura. Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, Mexico, D.F. 2016, 294 p., in **Studia Antiqua et Archaeologica**, 23(2),

2017, 364-367.

- Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Radu-Ștefan Balaur, *Settling selection patterns and settlement layout development in the Chalcolithic Cucuteni culture of Northeastern Romania. Interpretation and presentation of prospection results* in **Proceedings of the 12th International Conference of Archaeological Prospection, 12th-16th September 2017, The University of Bradford** (eds. B. Jennings, C. Gaffney, T. Sparrow, S. Gaffney), Oxford, Archaeopress, 2017, p. 8-10.
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Salt Symbolism in the Work of Elena Niculiță-Voronca* in **Mirrors of Salt. Proceedings of the First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, 20-24 August 2015, "Al. I. Cuza" University, Iași, Romania** (eds. M. Alexianu, R.-G. Curcă, O. Weller, A. Dumas), Oxford, Archaeopress, sub tipar.
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Morphonyms related to 'slatină' and 'slătioara' in Eastern Romania* in **Mirrors of Salt. Proceedings of the First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, 20-24 August 2015, "Al. I. Cuza" University, Iași, Romania** (eds. M. Alexianu, R.-G. Curcă, O. Weller, A. Dumas), Oxford, Archaeopress, sub tipar.
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, review: Bernard Moinier, Olivier Weller, *Le sel dans l'Antiquité ou les cristaux d'Aphrodite*, Les Belles Lettres - Collection Realia, 2015, Paris, 356 pages, ISBN 978-2-251-33842-2 in **Studia Antiqua et Archaeologica** 22(1), 2016, p. 103-105.
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Symbolism of salt in holidays as expressed in the pioneering works of two Romanian ethnographers* in **Salt effect. Proceedings of the Second Arheoinvest Symposium — From the Ethno-archaeology to the Anthropology of Salt, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași (Romania), 20-21 April 2012** (eds. M. Alexianu, R.-G. Curcă, V. Cotiugă), BAR 2760, Oxford, Archaeopress, 2015, p. 241-250.
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *The Toponymy of Salt in Zamfir Arbore's Geographical Dictionary of Bessarabia* in **Salt effect. Proceedings of the Second Arheoinvest Symposium — From the Ethno-archaeology to the Anthropology of Salt, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași (Romania), 20-21 April 2012** (eds. M. Alexianu, R.-G. Curcă, V. Cotiugă), BAR 2760, Oxford, Archaeopress, 2015, p. 265-273.
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ionuț Cristi Nicu, Radu Ștefan Balaur, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Vasile Cotiugă, *Integrated prospection methods for documenting threatened prehistoric archaeological sites from north-eastern Romania*. **Archaeologia Polona**, Special theme: Archaeological Prospection, 53, 2015, p. 425-430.
- Marius Alexianu, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Andrei Asăndulesei, Olivier Weller, Robin Brigand, Ion Sandu, Gheorghe Romanescu, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *The salt from the Alghianu beck (Vrancea County, Romania): a multifaceted ethnoarchaeological approach*, in **Archaeology of salt. Approaching an invisible past** (eds. R. Brigand, O. Weller), Sidestone Press, Leiden, 2015, p. 47-66.
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Archaeological prospection and natural risk management in prehistoric sites from Eastern Romania. A case study: settlement from Costești, Cier, Iași county (Romania)* in **Virtual Archaeology** (Methods and benefits). Proceedings of the Second International Conference held at the State Hermitage Museum 1-3 June 2015, Sankt Petersburg, Rusia, 2015, p. 89-103.
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Radu-Ștefan Balaur, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Prospecțiuni geofizice non-invasive în proximitatea cetății Soroca* in **Cetatea Soroca - Istorie, memorie și tradiții seculare, Materialele conferinței, Soroca, 4-5 aprilie 2014** (ed. Sergiu Musteață), Chișinău, Editura Arc, 2015, p. 48-57.
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Marius Alexianu, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Settling selection patterns in the Subcarpathians areas of Romania. Salt resources as a determining factor for prehistoric occupation* in **International Multidisciplinary Scientific Geoconference**. 17-26 June 2014, Bulgaria. 14th GeoConference on Informatics, Geoinformatics and Remote Sensing, Conference proceedings, volume III, Photogrametry and Remote Sensing, Cartography and GIS, 2014, p. 829-839.
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, review: Andrea Chiricescu, *Civilizația tradițională a sării în estul Transilvaniei: raport de cercetare*, preface by Valeriu Cavruc, Editura Angvstia, Sfântu Gheorghe, 2013, 390 p., ISBN 978-606-92849-3-3, în ANGVUSTIA 17-18, 2014, p. 284-287.

Edited volumes

- Marius Alexianu, Olivier Weller, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, Robin Brigand, **Mihaela Asăndulesei** (eds.) 2016, *White Gold. French and Romanian Projects on Salt in the Extra-Carpathian Areas of Romania*, Parthenon Verlag, Archaeologica et Anthropologica III, Kaiserslautern.

- Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, Marius-Tiberiu Alexianu (eds.) 2015, *First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt. Book of Abstracts*. "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Romania, 20-24 August 2015, Editura Universității „Alexandru Ioan Cuza”, Iași.

Conferences

- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Lexic of salt in Romanian*, Second International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, Los Cabos, Mexico, 12-16 October 2017;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Toponymy of salt in Romania*, Second International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, Los Cabos, Mexico, 12-16 October 2017;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Radu-Ștefan Balaur, *Settling selection patterns and settlement layout development in the Chalcolithic Cucuteni culture of northeastern Romania. Interpretation and presentation of prospection results*, 12th International Conference of Archaeological Prospection, Bradford, Great Britain, 12-16 September 2017;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *A new craft: salt-spring exploitation. Prehistoric production of „salt cakes” in Eastern Romania*, 23rd Annual Meeting of the European Association of Archaeologists, Maastricht, Holland, 30 August-3 September 2017;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Radu-Ștefan Balaur, *Settlement Layout Development in the Chalcolithic Cucuteni Culture of Northeastern Romania. Interpretation and Presentation of Prospection Results*, 23rd Annual Meeting of the European Association of Archaeologists, Maastricht, Holland, 30 August-03 September 2017;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Vasile Cotiugă, Ștefan Caliniuc, Cristi Nicu, Radu Balaur, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Alin Mișu-Pintilie, *Insights into Cucuteni settlements: geophysical prospections for understanding settling patterns in North-Eastern Romania during the Chalcolithic*, International Colloquium „Beyond excavation. Geophysics, aerial photography and the use of drones in Eastern and South-East European Archaeology, Piatra-Neamț, Romania, 5-9 December 2016;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Through Rural Living Landscapes to Ethnoarchaeological Reflections of Salt in Eastern Romania*, 22nd Annual Meeting of European Association of Archaeologists, Vilnius, Lithuania, 31 August-4 September 2016;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *The cultural significance of salt in rural Northeastern Romania: beliefs, superstitions and customs*, International Conference „History and Tradition of Exploiting Salt Resources”, Tokyo, Japan, 3 September 2016;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, Radu-Ștefan Balaur, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Vasile Cotiugă, *Saving what's left! Archaeological remote sensing in prehistoric sites from Eastern Romania*, WAC-8, Kyoto, Japan, 28 August-2 September 2016;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Perceiving the past, assessing the present, mitigating the future. Archaeological evidences and intangible heritage of salt in Eastern Romania*, WAC-8, Kyoto, Japan, 28 August-2 September 2016;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Vasile Cotiugă, Ștefan Caliniuc, Cristi Nicu, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Radu Balaur, Alin Mișu-Pintilie, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Insights into Cucuteni settlements: geophysical prospections for understanding settling patterns in North-Eastern Romania during the Chalcolithic*, 4th International Landscape Archaeology Conference, Uppsala, Sweden, 23-25 August 2016(Poster);
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, Radu Pîmău, Ștefan Caliniuc, Alin Mișu-Pintilie, Mihai Mereuță, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Vasile Cotiugă, *Geophysical Prospecting in Chalcolithic Sites from North Eastern Romania. A number of significant considerations about Planimetry*, 41st International Symposium on Archaeometry, Kalamata, Greece, 15-21 May 2016 (Poster);
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Ștefan Caliniuc, Radu Balaur, *The Church from Poiana cu Cetate: virtual analysis of a forgotten monument*, Symposium Cultural Heritage of Iași County: evidence, protection and valorification, Iași, Romania, 20-21 May 2016;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *From Archaeological Past to Living Landscapes of Salt in Eastern Romania*, ICAHM 2016 Conference Archaeological Park as World Heritage Site - Management Strategy for the Future, Salalah, Oman, 2-5 May 2016;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Aerial remote sensing for investigating underground prehistoric sites in north-eastern Romania*, ICAHM 2016 Conference Archaeological Park as World Heritage Site - Management Strategy for the Future, Salalah, Oman, 2-5 May 2016;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *The Cultural Anthropology of Salt in the Rural World of Eastern Romania*.

Interpreting Symbolic Valences Identified in Christian Holidays and Rituals of Passage, International Conference „Current Ethnoarchaeology”, Rome, Italy, 25-27 November 2015 (Poster);

- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *A new way of perceiving salt: ceremonial substance in Romanian holiday and rituals of passage*, 21st Annual Meeting of European Association of Archaeologists, Glasgow, Scotland, 2-5 September 2015;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Salt Symbolism in the work of Elena Niculiță-Voronca*, First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, Iași, Romania, 20-24 August 2015;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Salt-related toponyms in the Romanian area between the Carpathians and the Prut*, First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt, Iași, Romania, 20-24 August 2015;
- Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, Andrei Asăndulesei, Alin Mișu-Pintilie, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Gheorghe Romanescu, Vasile Cotuță, *Natural risks assessment and mitigation on cultural heritage sites from North-eastern Romania. A case study: Valea Oii river catchment*, XIX INQUA Congress, Quaternary Perspectives on Climate Change, Natural Hazards and Civilization, Nagoya, Japan, 26 July-2 August 2015;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Mentions of Moldavian salt in Balthazar Hacquet's (?-1815) travel journal*, The First ENTICE International Conference „Going East: An Interdisciplinary Conference on Travel and Intercultural Communication”, Iași, Romania, 4-5 June 2015;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Archaeological prospection and natural risk management in prehistoric sites from Eastern Romania. A case study: settlement from Costești, Cier, Iași county (Romania)*, Second International Conference on Virtual Archaeology, Sankt Petersburg, Russia, 1-3 June 2015;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Symbolic uses of salt in baptism, wedding and funeral in Eastern Romania*, International Conference „Vulnerabilität und Resilienz in den Siedlungsräumen entlang der Donau”, Trier, Germany, 26 November 2014;
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Antropologia culturală a sării în spațiul est-carpatic. Studiu de caz: practici și valori simbolice în ritualurile de trecere prezentate în opera lui Simion Florea Marian*, XXII National Session of students and PhD students. History - Archaeology - Museology, Alba Iulia, Romania, 13-14 November 2014;
- Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Marius-Tiberiu Alexianu, Andrei Asăndulesei, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Ștefan Caliniuc, *The use of the natural brine for food preservation. Ethnoarchaeological research in the extra-Carpathian area of Romania*, 20th Annual Meeting of European Association of Archaeologists, Istanbul, Turkey, 10-14 September 2014;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Marius Alexianu, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Ștefan Caliniuc, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Salt and Prehistoric (From the Neolithic to the Early Bronze Age) Population Movements in the Eastern Carpathians of Romania. A Diachronic GIS-Based Analysis*, 20th Annual Meeting of European Association of Archaeologists, Istanbul, Turkey, 10-14 September 2014;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Marius-Tiberiu Alexianu, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Site Catchment Analysis in sub-Carpathian areas. Salt resources as a determining factor for prehistoric habitation*, 14th International Multidisciplinary Scientific GeoConference SGEM 2014, Albena, Bulgaria, 17-26 June 2014;
- Marius-Tiberiu Alexianu, Ion Sandu, Andrei Asăndulesei, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, Ștefan Caliniuc, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Savory salt: ethnoarchaeological research in Romania*, Theoretical Archaeology Group 2014 (TAG) Conference, Chicago, USA, 23-25 May 2014;
- Marius-Tiberiu Alexianu, Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, Ion Sandu, Gheorghe Romanescu, Roxana-Gabriela Curcă, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Ethno-archaeology of Salt Supply during the Neolithic and Chalcolithic in the Romanian Carpathians*, International Symposium on Archaeometry (ISA), Los Angeles, USA, 19-24 May 2014;
- Andrei Asăndulesei, Felix-Adrian Tencariu, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Ionuț-Cristi Nicu, *Prospecțiuni geofizice la cetatea Soroca. GPR (Ground Penetrating Radar) - rezultatele măsurătorilor din anii 2012 și 2013*, "Cetatea Soroca - istorie, memorie și tradiții seculare" Conference, Soroca, Republic of Moldova, 4-5 April 2014.

Presentations

- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, book presentation: Adina Hulubaș, *Obiceiuri de naștere din Moldova. Tipologie și corpus de texte*, Iași, 2012, during the communications session organized by the Faculty of History, the Center for Christian and Classical Studies and the Center for Ancient History

and Archaeology, March 5, 2014;

- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Sarea în mitologia românească*, communication within the communications session organized by the Faculty of History, the Center for Christian and Classical Studies and the Center for Ancient History and Archaeology, April 15, 2014.

Organizing scientific sessions

- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Lexical approaches to salt studies*, Second International Congress on the Anthropology of salt, 12–16 October 2017, Los Cabos, Mexic (saluniversalis.com).
- **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, *Toponymy of salt*, Second International Congress on the Anthropology of salt, 12–16 October 2017, Los Cabos, Mexic (saluniversalis.com).
- Eduardo Williams, Felix Adrian Tencariu, Andrei Asăndulesei, **Mihaela Asăndulesei**, Marius Alexianu, *The ethnoarchaeology and the ethnography of salt exploitation, distribution and consumption*, Second International Congress on the Anthropology of salt, 12–16 October 2017, Los Cabos, Mexic (saluniversalis.com).

Co-organization of international colloquia, symposiums and congresses

Member in the organising committee

- 20/10/2016: Autumn school Small steps in understanding prehistoric habitation and behaviour. Recent interdisciplinary approaches
- 20/08/2015–24/08/2015: First International Congress on the Anthropology of Salt; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Research Project EthnosolRo (coordinated by Associated Professor PhD Marius Alexianu).
- 24/09/2014–27/09/2014: The Barbarians of Rome. Inclusion, Exclusion and Identity in the Roman Empire and the Barbaricum during the 1st - 3rd Century A.D.; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași and Konstanz University.
- 02/06/2014–04/06/2014: Krise und Untergang als historisches Phänomen; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași and Innsbruck University.
- 20/08/2013–24/08/2013: International Symposium on Chert and other Knappable Materials, "Stories Writen in Stone"; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Arheoinvest Platform.
- 06/06/2013–08/06/2013: Third Arheoinvest Congress — Interdisciplinary Research in Archaeology; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Arheoinvest Platform.
- 25/04/2013–26/04/2013: International Symposium on transport in prehistory; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Arheoinvest Platform.
- 07/06/2012–09/06/2012: Second Arheoinvest Congress — Interdisciplinary Research in Archaeology; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Arheoinvest Platform.
- 20/04/2012–21/04/2012: Second Arheoinvest Symposium, From the ethno-archaeology to the anthropology of salt; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Arheoinvest Platform.
- 10/06/2011–12/06/2011: First Congress of Interdisciplinary Research in Archaeology; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, Arheoinvest Platform.

Memberships

- Member in MIRAS (Social Organization in Support of Studying of Cultural Heritage), from 2013;
- Member in EAA (European Association of Archaeologists), from 2015;
- Member in WAC (World Archaeological Congress), from 2015.