

**Synthesis report on The XVIth. Annual Conference:**

**ADMINISTRATION AND SOCIAL JUSTICE – EQUITY, INCLUSION, LEGALITY**

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**Introduction: Challenges and Adaptations in Contemporary Public Administration**

Public administration today faces a multitude of challenges driven by the dynamic and complex realities of the modern world. These challenges are significantly influenced by democratic developments that demand the adaptation of administrative practices to new standards and requirements, alongside the considerable advancements in research on administrative phenomena. Despite the progress achieved, contemporary society does not fully guarantee equity and social justice. Disparities in access to resources and opportunities persist among different social groups, contravening the ideal of an inclusive society where every individual can realize their maximum potential, regardless of their background or life circumstances.

In this context, public administration emerges as a domain where inequities and social exclusion are prominently observed and can be effectively addressed. Transparent and participatory exercise of public authority holds the potential to rectify deviations from social justice standards, with education forming the bedrock of this transformative process.

The Academic Society of Administrative Sciences, a non-governmental organization officially recognised from 2008 that includes members of the academic staff from the country and abroad, civil servants, magistrates, scientific researchers, lawyers, etc., has assumed the task of organizing such an event to which the participants had the ability to communicate the views of the administration and to contribute to the discussion.

Taking in consideration the new evolutions registered in the field of social science research in Romania especially after 2007 and most important in the fields of administrative sciences and public law, the need to develop a new academic arena for the dissemination of scientific results in these fields of study in Romania was born.

The founding members of the Society, envisioned the formation of a new scientific forum at national level, composed of representatives of the Romanian Universities, members of the academia with interests in these fields of research, members of the executive authorities, civil servants and practitioners and members of the judicial power, naming here judges at the highest ranks specialized in administrative contentious.

The XVIth edition of the Conference organized by the Center for Public Law and Administrative Sciences, in partnership with the Academic Society of Administrative Sciences, provides a



traditional forum for specialists in governance, public law, and administrative sciences, as well as social sciences in general.

The conference was structured into two main sections:

- "Administration and Social Justice in the Rule of Law"
- "Strategic Approaches in Promoting Equity and Social Inclusion through Youth Programs"

Participation in the conference facilitated the formation of a reflective group on the announced issues, benefiting from the broad multidisciplinary perspective offered by social sciences. This will contribute to the identification of innovative and effective solutions for promoting equity and social inclusion within public administration.

In the following section we will present for the international academic and professional audience the brief presentation of the scientific articles presented at the conference, articles that were later edited and introduced in the published volume Administration and Social Justice – Equity, Inclusion, Legality, published by the Universitaria Publishing House, Bucharest.

□ **Statul de drept și funcția executivă în contextul corelației putere politică – drept / Iulian Nedelcu**

- The Rule of Law and the Executive Function in the Context of the Correlation Between Political Power and Law
- **Summary:** This article explores the philosophical and political foundations of the rule of law, tracing its development in German doctrine. It discusses the essential separation of judicial activity from executive activity to maintain justice and independence.
- **Key Findings:** The article emphasizes the necessity of a capable judiciary to enforce laws and restore legality when violated.

□ **Administrația publică în statul de drept / Irina Moroianu Zlătescu, Alina Sarchisian**

- Public Administration in the Rule of Law State
- **Summary:** This article highlights the importance of an efficient public administration for good governance and improved living standards. It emphasizes the neutrality required of public administration in executing laws, ensuring that decisions are made based on efficiency, rationality, and objectivity.
- **Key Findings:** Neutrality and independence of public servants from political influence are crucial for the integrity of public administration.

□ **Justiția socială în furnizarea serviciilor publice. Rolul standardelor de calitate și de cost / Emilia Lucia Cătană**

- Social Justice in the Provision of Public Services. The Role of Quality and Cost Standards
- **Summary:** The article discusses the role of social justice in the provision of public services, focusing on quality and cost standards.
- **Key Findings:** Establishing and maintaining high standards is crucial for ensuring equitable access to services and addressing social disparities.

□ **Între Post-Comunism și Post-Democrație / Andrei Țăranu**

- Between Post-Communism and Post-Democracy

- **Summary:** This article examines the transition from post-communism to post-democracy, analyzing the political, social, and economic changes in post-communist societies.
  - **Key Findings:** Challenges and opportunities in establishing democratic institutions and market economies are discussed.
- ☐ **Justiția socială și administrația publică locală – Qvo vadis? / Mihaela-Miruna Tudorașcu**
- Social Justice and Local Public Administration – Qvo Vadis?
  - **Summary:** The article addresses the role of local public administration in ensuring social justice, examining the challenges faced by local governments in providing equitable services.
  - **Key Findings:** Strategies to promote social inclusion and justice at the local level are highlighted.
- ☐ **Dimensiuni ale echității sociale reflectate în noile legi ale educației din România / Ionuț – Bogdan Berceanu**
- Dimensions of Social Equity Reflected in the New Education Laws in Romania
  - **Summary:** This article analyzes the new education laws in Romania and their impact on social equity, focusing on reducing disparities in educational access and outcomes.
  - **Key Findings:** Inclusive and equitable education is promoted through these new laws.
- ☐ **Principiul comportamentului constituțional loial aplicat în activitatea Parlamentului și a Guvernului. Aspecte de jurisprudență constituțională / Marius Andreescu**
- The Principle of Loyal Constitutional Behavior Applied in the Activity of Parliament and Government. Aspects of Constitutional Jurisprudence
  - **Summary:** The article explores the principle of loyal constitutional behavior in the activities of the Parliament and Government, examining constitutional jurisprudence.
  - **Key Findings:** Importance of this principle in maintaining the rule of law and democratic governance.
- ☐ **Rolul ONU pentru asigurarea justiției sociale în statele afectate de conflicte armate și crize de securitate umană / Constantin Iordache, Laurențiu Florin Giușcă**
- The Role of the UN in Ensuring Social Justice in States Affected by Armed Conflicts and Human Security Crises
  - **Summary:** This article discusses the role of the United Nations in ensuring social justice in states affected by armed conflicts and human security crises.
  - **Key Findings:** UN interventions and strategies to promote peace, security, and social justice are examined.
- ☐ **Democrația digitală – forță emergentă pentru dezvoltarea unei guvernări inclusive în Republica Moldova / Mariana Iațco**
- Digital Democracy – An Emerging Force for Developing Inclusive Governance in the Republic of Moldova
  - **Summary:** The article explores the concept of digital democracy as an emerging force for inclusive governance in the Republic of Moldova.
  - **Key Findings:** Digital technologies can enhance citizen participation, transparency, and accountability in governance.

- **Studentul-problemă sau studentul cu probleme. Egalitate, discriminare pozitivă și incluziune în sistemul universitar din România contemporană / Cristian Clipa**
  - The Problem Student or the Student with Problems. Equality, Positive Discrimination, and Inclusion in the Contemporary Romanian University System
  - **Summary:** The article examines the issues faced by students in the contemporary Romanian university system, focusing on equality, positive discrimination, and inclusion.
  - **Key Findings:** Strategies to address these issues and promote an inclusive educational environment are discussed.
- **Unele considerații privind rolul procesului civil în înlăptuirea justiției sociale / Laura Magdalena Trocan**
  - Some Considerations on the Role of Civil Process in Achieving Social Justice
  - **Summary:** This article discusses the role of civil processes in achieving social justice, focusing on the legal mechanisms that ensure fairness in civil litigation.
  - **Key Findings:** Importance of accessible and fair civil procedures in promoting social justice is emphasized.
- **Consortiile administrative, între jalon formal al Planului Național de Redresare și Reziliență și nevoie administrativă obiectivă / Codrin Dumitru Munteanu**
  - Administrative Consortia, Between a Formal Milestone of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan and an Objective Administrative Need
  - **Summary:** The article examines the role of administrative consortia in the context of the National Recovery and Resilience Plan, analyzing their necessity and effectiveness.
  - **Key Findings:** Challenges and benefits of administrative consortia in achieving national recovery goals are discussed.
- **Rolul principiilor aplicabile administrației publice în asigurarea justiției sociale / Octavia-Maria Cilibiu**
  - The Role of Principles Applicable to Public Administration in Ensuring Social Justice
  - **Summary:** This article explores the principles that guide public administration in ensuring social justice, focusing on fairness, transparency, and accountability.
  - **Key Findings:** Effective application of these principles is crucial for achieving social justice.
- **Exercitarea cu caracter temporar a unei funcții publice din categoria înalților funcționari publici de către persoane care nu au dobândit statut de funcționar public / Irina Alexe**
  - Temporary Exercise of a Public Function in the Category of Senior Public Officials by Persons Who Have Not Acquired the Status of Public Official
  - **Summary:** The article discusses the legal and practical implications of temporarily appointing individuals to senior public positions who have not acquired the status of public officials.
  - **Key Findings:** Potential benefits and drawbacks of such temporary appointments are analyzed.
- **Principiul egalității în administrația publică / Sorina Ionescu**
  - The Principle of Equality in Public Administration

- **Summary:** This article examines the principle of equality in public administration, focusing on its implementation and challenges.
  - **Key Findings:** Ensuring equality in public administration is essential for fair and effective governance.
- ☐ **Dreptul la demnitate și drepturile fundamentale ale omului / Roxana Uleșanu**
- The Right to Dignity and Fundamental Human Rights
  - **Summary:** The article explores the concept of human dignity and its relationship to fundamental human rights.
  - **Key Findings:** Importance of protecting human dignity in all aspects of law and governance is emphasized.
- ☐ **Administrația modernă și principiile ale statului de drept / Paul-Iulian Nedelcu**
- Modern Administration and Principles of the Rule of Law
  - **Summary:** This article discusses the principles of modern administration in the context of the rule of law, focusing on efficiency, transparency, and accountability.
  - **Key Findings:** Applying these principles is vital for a functioning and just administration.
- ☐ **Abordări teoretico-conceptuale privind procedura prealabilă în acțiunile de contencios administrativ / Carolina Macovețchi**
- Theoretical and Conceptual Approaches to Preliminary Procedures in Administrative Litigation
  - **Summary:** This article explores the theoretical and conceptual approaches to preliminary procedures in administrative litigation.
  - **Key Findings:** Effective preliminary procedures are crucial for resolving administrative disputes fairly and efficiently.
- ☐ **Pași spre digitalizarea sectorului public / Raluca-Camelia Voinea**
- Steps Towards Digitalizing the Public Sector
  - **Summary:** The article discusses the steps towards digitalizing the public sector, focusing on the benefits and challenges of implementing digital solutions in public administration.
  - **Key Findings:** Digitalization can enhance efficiency, transparency, and citizen engagement in public administration.
- ☐ **Incluziunea socială în procesul alegerilor politice în România. Cazul persoanelor cu dizabilități / Raluca-Ioana Tomescu**
- Social Inclusion in the Political Election Process in Romania. The Case of Persons with Disabilities
  - **Summary:** This article examines the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the political election process in Romania, analyzing barriers and solutions.
  - **Key Findings:** Ensuring accessibility and participation for persons with disabilities in elections is essential for an inclusive democracy.
- ☐ **Rolul persoanelor publice în realizarea sarcinilor administrației publice locale / Constantina Anca Bordușanu**
- The Role of Public Figures in Fulfilling the Tasks of Local Public Administration
  - **Summary:** This article explores the role of public figures in local public administration, focusing on their influence and responsibilities.

- **Key Findings:** Effective engagement of public figures can enhance the performance and accountability of local administration.
- **Societatea civilă și rolul de avertizor în interesul public general / Adriana Alina Spatariu**
  - Civil Society and the Role of Whistleblowers in the General Public Interest
  - **Summary:** The article discusses the role of civil society and whistleblowers in promoting the public interest and ensuring accountability in governance.
  - **Key Findings:** Whistleblowers play a crucial role in uncovering misconduct and promoting transparency.
- **Dreptul contribuabilului de a fi ascultat – componentă esențială a dreptului la apărare și a dreptului la o bună administrare / Arina Dragodan**
  - The Taxpayer's Right to Be Heard – An Essential Component of the Right to Defense and Good Administration
  - **Summary:** This article examines the taxpayer's right to be heard as an essential component of the right to defense and good administration.
  - **Key Findings:** Ensuring that taxpayers are heard is crucial for fair and effective tax administration.
- **Informarea persoanelor vizate cu privire la prelucrarea datelor lor cu caracter personal: de la obligație a operatorilor prevăzută în RGPD, la implementare efectivă realizată de operatorii din domeniul public din România / Victoria-Delia Bunceanu**
  - Informing Data Subjects About the Processing of Their Personal Data: From Obligation Under GDPR to Effective Implementation by Public Operators in Romania
  - **Summary:** The article discusses the obligations of public operators under GDPR to inform data subjects about the processing of their personal data.
  - **Key Findings:** Effective implementation of GDPR obligations is essential for protecting personal data and ensuring compliance.
- **Armonizarea legislației naționale cu normele Uniunii Europene referitoare la tratamentul juridico-administrativ egal pentru persoane / Laurențiu Florin Giușcă, Constantin Iordache**
  - Harmonizing National Legislation with EU Norms on Equal Legal-Administrative Treatment for Persons
  - **Summary:** This article examines the harmonization of national legislation with EU norms on equal legal-administrative treatment.
  - **Key Findings:** Ensuring alignment with EU norms is crucial for achieving equal treatment and legal consistency.
- **Considerentele deciziei nr. 5 din 2020 pronunțată în recursul în interesul legii de către Înalta Curte de Casație și Justiție privind necesitatea și oportunitatea unificării practicii judiciare neunitare în situația despăgubirilor datorate în temeiul depozitelor C.E.C. cu dobândă și câștiguri în autoturisme, pe de o parte, față de existența unui regim juridic discriminatoriu în raport de despăgubirile datorate în temeiul legii speciale titularilor de depozite C.E.C de achiziție de autoturisme / Ioana-Camelia Buciu**
  - Considerations of Decision No. 5 of 2020 Pronounced in the Appeal in the Interest of the Law by the High Court of Cassation and Justice Regarding the Need and Opportunity to Unify Non-Uniform Judicial Practice in the Case of Compensation Due Under C.E.C.



Deposits with Interest and Car Winnings, on the One Hand, and the Existence of a Discriminatory Legal Regime in Relation to Compensation Due Under the Special Law to C.E.C. Holders of Car Purchase Deposits

- **Summary:** This article discusses a decision by the High Court of Cassation and Justice on unifying judicial practice regarding compensation for C.E.C. deposits with interest and car winnings.
- **Key Findings:** The decision addresses the need for consistent judicial practice and highlights issues of legal discrimination.

□ **Egalitatea de șanse și dezvoltarea durabilă în legislația comunitară la nivel național / Alexandra Iancu**

- Equal Opportunities and Sustainable Development in Community Legislation at the National Level
- **Summary:** This article examines how national legislation incorporates principles of equal opportunities and sustainable development in line with community legislation.
- **Key Findings:** Promoting equal opportunities and sustainable development through legislation is essential for social and environmental progress.

□ **Unele considerații privind impactul digitalizării asupra administrației din perspectiva eticii și legalității / Valentin-Stelian Bădescu**

- Some Considerations on the Impact of Digitalization on Administration from the Perspective of Ethics and Legality
- **Summary:** This article discusses the ethical and legal implications of digitalizing public administration.
- **Key Findings:** Digitalization offers significant benefits but also poses ethical and legal challenges that must be addressed.

□ **Incluziunea socială în România. Provocări și așteptări / Mariana Bardă**

- Social Inclusion in Romania. Challenges and Expectations
- **Summary:** The article examines the challenges and expectations related to social inclusion in Romania.
- **Key Findings:** Addressing social exclusion requires comprehensive strategies and policies that promote inclusivity.

□ **Justiția socială între puterea reglementărilor și constrângerile administrației publice / Marius Văcărelu**

- Social Justice Between the Power of Regulations and the Constraints of Public Administration
- **Summary:** This article explores the balance between the power of regulations and the constraints faced by public administration in achieving social justice.
- **Key Findings:** Effective regulation and administrative practices are necessary for promoting social justice.

The Academic Journal of Law and Governance marked a new starting point in Romanian and European research dedicated to public law and administrative sciences starting from 2013. The Academic Journal of Law and Governance intends to bring forward to the European and

international academic scene, the efforts conducted by Romanian researchers and their European counterparts in investigating the developments in public law and administrative sciences with a clear focus on the European continent.

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