

At the end of the Workshop, a number of papers were awarded five prizes named after renowned personalities of Romanian Geography: Simion Mehedinți Prizes, Vintilă Mihăilescu Prizes, Victor Tufescu Prizes, Gheorghe Niculescu Prizes and Liviu Constantinescu Prizes.

All in all, the ten editions held so far have attracted nearly 200 MA and PhD students, young researchers from different fields there by enabling to a useful exchange of experience.

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THE SEVENTH TURKISH-ROMANIAN SEMINAR

1–9 June, Kemer – Antalya, Turkey

The Seminar was held within the framework of the 2nd International Geography Symposium (GEOMED 2010) organized by the Dokuz Eylul and Balıkesir Universities at Kemer-Antalya (Turkey) between June 1-9, 2010.

The three-day proceedings developed within four sections on distinct themes each, and a poster session.

The sixteen papers presented in each section focused on landform, water resources, climate change, man-environment relations, dynamics, land use and soil degradation, natural hazards, regional development and disparities, tourism development, environmental pollution, evolution of natural ecosystems, biodiversity, population evolution, dynamics, and health status, quality of life, human security and sustainable development, geopolitics, the use of GIS techniques, etc.

The field trips on June, 5 included simultaneous two topics: one devoted to the historical and cultural sites of excursions: Perge, The Aspendos Amphitheatre, Side and Antalya's coastal zone; and the Taurus Mountains, and a second with highlight on landscape and its evolution, soils, vegetation, karst forms, and land degradation in the Taurus Mountains. The second trip (Mediterranean Ecosystems Field Tour) took place along the Kemer-Finike-Kaş-Fethye-Korkutelyi-Antalya route between June 6 and 8. Vegetation, soils, karst topography and agriculture were investigated along with associated human-nature interactions.

The Seminar was organized jointly by Dokuz Eylul University – Faculty of Sciences and Letters, and Balıkesir University (Turkey) and the University of Bucharest – Faculty of Geography and Institute of Geography, Bucharest.

The papers presented at the Seminar discussed topics of physical and human geography, tourism and sustainable development. Romanian researchers expounded upon the following problems: *Land use changes, desertification and agriculture in Romania* – Dan Bălțeanu, Monica Dumitrașcu, and Ana Popovici; *Technological hazards and sustainable development of urban ecosystems in the South-West Development Region (Romania)* – Monica Dumitrașcu, Costin Dumitrașcu; *The image of Bucharest a challenging construction process for Romania* – Daniela Dumbrăveanu, Liliana Dumitrache; *Perspectives of rehabilitation through tourism of one-industry towns in Romania* – George Erdeli, Ana Irina Dincă, Bianca Dumitrescu; *Elaboration of climatic maps using GIS. Case study: Olănești drainage basin (Getic Subcarpathians, Romania)* – Laura Târlă; *Development of the Romanian private health care system – premises constraints and consequences* – Liliana Dumitrache, Daniela Dumbrăveanu; *Changing cities: urban restructuring projects in Bucharest for the market economy* – Mariana Nae; *Geomorphological processes and land use in the Putna Catchment (Vrancea Region, Romania)* – Florina Folea Tatu; *Geomorphosites valorization for geotourism and environmental education in the Curvature Carpathians* – Mihaela Dinu, Adrian Cioacă – *Sustainable development prospects for the Danube Delta rural communities* – Nicoleta Damian;

The Seminar was also an opportunity for participants to exchange ideas, establish contacts with professors and researchers from Turkish universities and profile institutions, as well as with those from other countries.

The proceedings of the seventh Turkish-Romanian Seminar will be published in a volume devoted to that event.

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