**INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR OF CORPUS** 

### WATER AND BODY FLUIDS

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## Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup>

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#### INTRODUCTION SESSION 9 h 00 – 11 h 30 / Room 320

Reception of participants by the coordinators: Gabriela-Mariana Luca & Jérôme Thomas

Welcome from of the Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy & CORPUS

Simona Drăgan (Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania) Water and Medicine

**Slobodan Dan Paich (Artship Foundation, United States)** Approachable Elixir. Tea as Personal and Cultural Experience

### Coffee Break

WORKSHOP 1: WATER AND ITS SYMBOLISM 11 h 45-13 h 00 / Room 320 Chair: Sultana Avram

Sultana Avram & Mihaela Cernusca Mitariu (Lucian Blaga University, Romania) Some Romanian Traditional Myths and Superstitions on Breast Milk Feeding

Mahmoud Baballah (King Fahd High School of Translation, Morocco) Desert's folk ideology

**Emilia Tomescu (Lucian Blaga University, Romania)** The Water of Life and the Water of Death in Romanian Folk Tradition

### Discussion

Lunch

PARALLEL WORKSHOP (2): WATER AND MEMORY 15 h 00-17 h 30/Room 320 Chair: Tiberiu Costăchescu

Jérôme Thomas (Paul Valéry University, France) La culture inca et l'eau

Octavio Cano Silva (University of Barcelona, Spain) & Ioana Alexandrescu (Oradea University, Romania) De l'eau à México

Melania Farirai Marwizi (Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania) Zimbabwe: Access to Water

### Tiberiu Costachescu (Lucian Blaga University, Romania)

African Waters

**Teodora Anghel (Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania)** The Resonance Power of Words and Feelings on Water Structure

### Gabriela-Mariana Luca (Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania)

Goddesses, Riders & Horses. A Symbolic Approach to Blood and Plasma in the Culture of Ancient Europe

### Coffee break

PARALLEL WORKSHOP (3): WATER, LITERATURE & ARTS 15 h 00-17 h 30/Room 323 Chair: Rodica Brad

# Sașa Mitrovici & Codrina Mihaela Levai (Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania)

Symbolism of Water in Romanian Folklore and Literature

### Rodica Brad (Lucian Blaga University, Romania)

Le symbolisme de l'eau chez Mircea Eliade

Mihaela Tarhuna, Daniela Stanciu & Daniel Haiduc (West University of Timisoara, Romania) Mot/Eau/Création. Portrait

### Cristina Vidrutiu (Romanian Academy in Rome, Italy)

The Liquid Imaginary. Metamorphic Functions of Water (between Life and Death) in Boris Vian's Foam of the days

### Daniela Catona (West University of Timisoara, Romania)

Human Body, Water and Fluids - Connections and Interactions in the Visual Arts

**Simona Olaru-Posiar (Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania)** Water, the simplest Form of Preventing Illness

### Coffee break

## EXPERIMENTAL WORKSHOP 4: WATER AND MASKS 17 h 45-18 h 30/Room 320

Lucia Preda (German State Theatre Timișoara, Romania) Humors on the Face - the Art of Transformation Performance

Dinner

## Saturday, November 29th

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WORKSHOP 5: WATER, FLUIDS & CULTURAL CONSTRUCTIONS 9 h 30 – 13 h 00/Room 320 Chair: Scott Lankford

Scott Lankford (Foothill College, United States) Medicated Bodies of Water

Mehmet Kavanoz (Aral University, Turkey) Water and Milk - Transforming Animal Body Fluid into Human Nourishment

**Ksenia Gusarova (Independent scholar, Russia)** Dangerous Waters: Resistance to Hygiene in the Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century

Coffee Break

**Amalia Pavelescu (Lucian Blaga University, Romania)** An Anthropological Perspective on Human Saliva

**Gabriel Kelemen (West University of Timisoara, Romania)** Gravitational Waves - Hydrosphere-Biosphere. Sonic Induction Currents in the Cardiovascular System

Liliana-Eleonora Vasile (Victor Babeş University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Romania) Mineral Water Therapy in Buzias - History, Tradition and Symbolic Valences

Lunch

FIELDTRIP TO BUZIAS 15 h 00-18 h 00

FINAL WORDS 18 h 00-19 h 00

**Official dinner** 

### **Seminar Coordination**

Gabriela-Mariana Luca, Victor Babes University of Medicine and Pharmacy

Jérôme Thomas, Paul Valery University

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### International Group for the Cultural Studies of the Body

Founded in 2009, CORPUS now includes more than 450 researchers who work in more than sixty five countries. Created after a series of seminars organised between 2001 and 2008 in the School of Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences - EHESS (Paris) and the Autonomous University of Madrid, CORPUS intends to participate in the construction of a broad and open anthropology of body, offering spaces to cross-thinking and discussions about this fascinating object of research.

CORPUS members are architects, anthropologists, archaeologists, art or social historians, literary or cinema scholars, gender, sport or media specialists, musicologists, philologists, philosophers, physicians, psychologists, sociologists... They all share a curiosity about the body and a common taste for interdisciplinary dialogues.

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