



STRATEGIES XXI INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE “*THE COMPLEX AND DYNAMIC NATURE OF THE SECURITY ENVIRONMENT*”

December 09th-10th, 2021

STRATEGIES XXI International Scientific Conference on “*The Complex and Dynamic Nature of the Security Environment*”, the latest scientific event on the 2021 agenda of Centre for Defence and Security Strategic Studies (CDSSS), was organised online, on December 09th-10th, enjoying consistent participation, both military and civilian figures from Defence, Public Order and National Security system and national security fields (academia, researchers, students, MA students, PhD students and postdoctoral candidates), and, at international level, representatives from similar institutions, active in the field of security and defence.

The scientific event framework enjoyed a dynamic atmosphere, supported by the contribution of speakers, delegates and attendees from the Ministry of National Defence, academic personnel and researchers from academia in Romania, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Georgia, United Kingdom and Northern Ireland and Hungary.

The seven specific sections of the conference in the field of security and defence were chaired by the Director of the Centre, Colonel Florian Cîrciumaru PhD, together with Colonel Dan-Lucian Petrescu PhD; overall consistency was ensured by the Conference scientific secretary, Colonel (Ret.) Crăișor-Constantin Ioniță PhD.

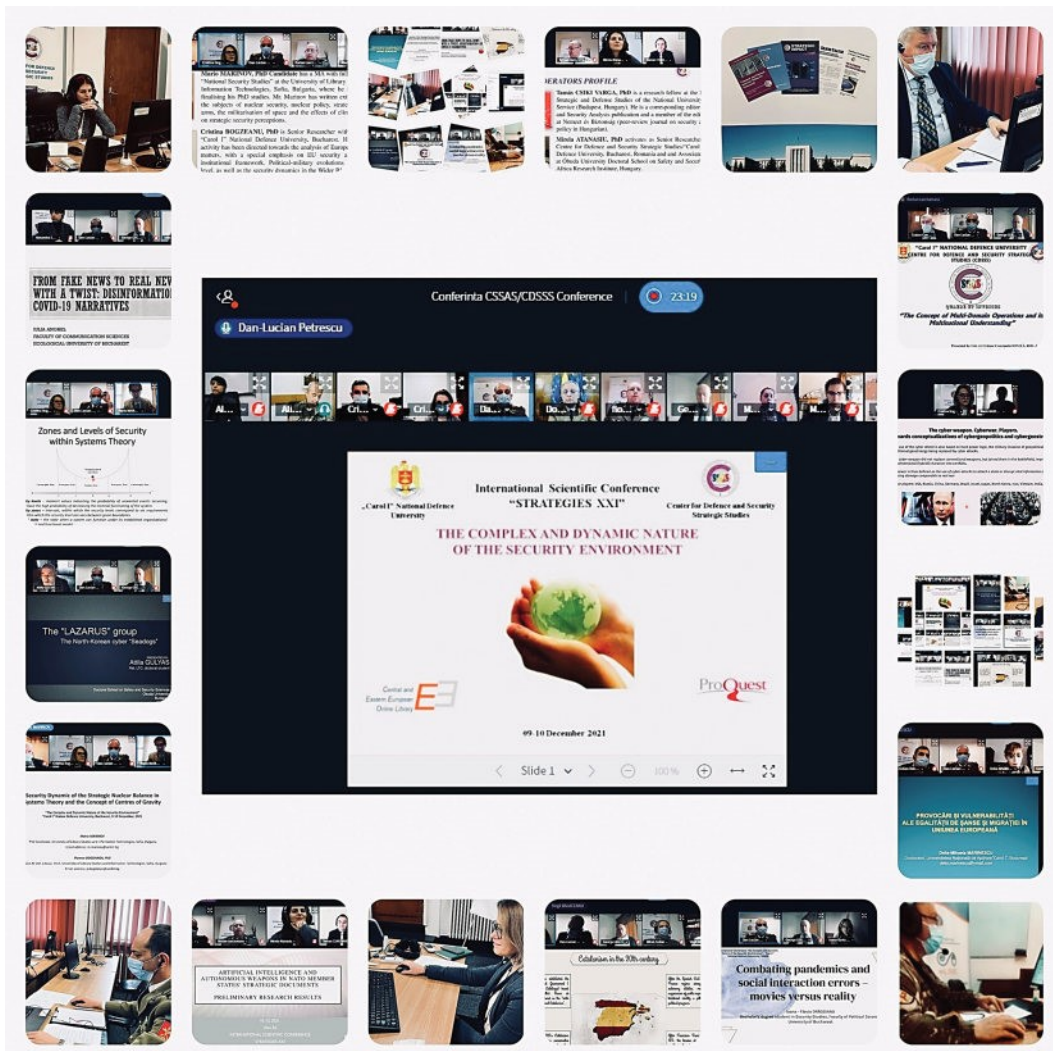
The conference first session, held online on December 9, consisted of four sections, and its presentations focused on the following issues: *Pandemic challenges on security, State and non-state actors in power relations, International humanitarian law and Military history*, being moderated by:

- Colonel Dan-Lucian Petrescu PhD, CDSSS;
- Associate Professor János Besenyő PhD, Obuda University, Hungary, together with Senior Researcher Alexandra Sarcinschi PhD, CDSSS;
- General (Ret.) Virgil Bălăceanu PhD, Romanian Reserve Officers Association, together with Researcher Mihai Zodian PhD, CDSSS.



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The session covered topics such as: biological threat; hybrid aggression in the pandemic context; the role of international and regional organizations during the pandemic period; effects on trends in the international security environment; measures and interinstitutional cooperation in crisis management, terrorism and violent, illegitimate action; managing political transitions in different regions of the globe; nuclear disarmament and the proliferation phenomenon in all its aspects; humanitarian protection during armed conflicts (legal instruments for the protection of victims, civilian population and property, protected categories of persons and goods, special rules, etc.); regulation in international law of the armed forces use.



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The second conference session, held on December 10, included three panels, namely: *National defence and resilience*, *Areas of strategic interest* and *Strategic concepts and theories*, chaired by the following moderators:

- Mario Marinov, University of Library Studies and Information Technologies, Bulgaria, together with Senior Researcher Cristina Bogzeanu, PhD, CDSSS;
- Tamás Csiki Varga, PhD, National University of Public Services, Budapest, Hungary, together with Senior Researcher Mirela Atanasiu, PhD, CDSSS;
- Colonel Alin Bodescu, “Carol I” National Defence University, together with Senior Researcher Cristian Băhnăreanu PhD, CDSSS.

The sections created the framework for debating topics such as: strategic theory and practice; strategic action; strategic concepts; military strategic thinking; close proximity (Moldova, Ukraine, Russian Federation, Serbia, Hungary, Bulgaria, Turkey); stability and change in the international security environment; evolving security concepts; the economic factor and world economic re-establishment; migration, terrorism; the Middle East and North Africa; Asia; the USA, etc.

The papers and debates with scientific character contributed to the achievement of event’s objectives, namely: disseminating the latest research in the field, creating a framework for guidance and dialogue between participants, and strengthening national and international scientific cooperation, thereby classifying the success of the scientific event.

Information on future scientific activities organized by CDSSS can be found by accessing the website: <https://cssas.unap.ro/ro/manifestari.htm>.

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