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PROGRAM

09:00- 19:00 EEST

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Conference Programme

09:00-09:10. Opening of the conference

- ❖ **Part I—session conducted entirely in English**
- 🞣 **Special guest session (with guests from abroad):**

09:10-09:40. Prof. Natasha Beranek, research institute Transformations of the Human, Berkeley, California, USA**.** *AI, Humans, and Musical Creativity: A Relational Approach to Transhuman Music*

09:40-10:10. Shannon Humphrey, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand. *Challenges Posed on the Legitimacy of Deliberative Democracies by Advancements in CRISPR*

10:10-10:40. Anisia-Alis Iacob, Leiden University, Netherlands, Faculty of Humanities. *A Philosophical Comparison Between Robot Pets and Early Modern Automata*

- • **10:40-11:00. Coffee break**

11:00-11:30. Dr. Marcin Garbowski, Catholic University of Lublin, Poland. *Transhumanism: Futurism or Retrofuturism—can the Technological Singularity Occur in a Multi-polar World*

11:30-12:00. Prof. Stefan Lorenz Sorgner, John Cabot University, Rome, Italy. *We Have Always Been Cyborgs*

- • **12:00-12:10. Coffee break**

❖ **Part II—session conducted entirely in Romanian**

12:10-12:40. Dr. Cosmin-Florentin Spaschi, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iasi, Romania. *Efectele „stării de excepție" asupra statelor democratice: războiul o provocare transumanistă?* (The Effects of the „state of exception" on Democratic States: Is War a Transhumanist Challenge?)

12:40-13:10. PhD. Student, Andrei Nuțaș, West University of Timisoara, Doctoral School of Philosophy, Sociology and Political Science, Timisoara, Romania. *Animale politice sau captivi: nevoia de implicare civică într-o lume augmentată.* (Political Animals or Captives: the Need for Civic Engagement in an Augmented World)

13:10-13:40. PhD. Student, Marius Florea, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Doctoral School of Philosophy. *Conceptul de stranietate* (The Concept of the Uncanny)

- **13:40-14:00. Lunch**

14:00-14:30. Dr. Doru-Laurean Băldean, Technical University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of Road Vehicles, Mechatronics and Mechanics, Department of Road Vehicles and Transports; **PhD. Student, Viorel Chindea**, Technical University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of Road Vehicles, Mechatronics and Mechanics, Department of Road Vehicles and Transports; **Dr. Adela-Ioana Borzan**, Department of Road Vehicles and Transport, Technical University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania. *Studiul impactului vehiculelor autonome, al roboților și al inteligenței artificiale în societate.* (Study of the Impact of Autonomous Vehicles, Robots and Artificial Intelligence in Society)

14:30-15:00. Radu Cristian, independent researcher. *Integrarea inteligenţei artificiale în societate: dileme şi soluţii.* (Integrating Artificial Intelligence into Society: Dilemmas and Solutions)

15:00-15:30. Iulia-Dana Puşcaşu, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Master of Philosophy, Culture, Communication. *Explorări asupra Inteligenţei Artificiale în artă—instrument şi mediu, colaborare sau eroism?* (Explorations on Artificial Intelligence in Art—Instrument and Medium, Collaboration or Heroism?)

15:30-16:00. PhD. Student, Adriana Vlaicu, West University of Timisoara, Doctoral School of Philosophy, Sociology and Political Science, Timisoara, Romania. *Inteligenţă artificială versus alienare.* (Artificial Intelligence versus Alienation)

- **16:00-16:10. Coffee break**

16:10-16:40. Lect. Dr. Călin-Ioan Taloş, Emanuel University, Oradea, Romania. *Abordări paradigmatice asupra augumentării umane.* (Paradigmatic Approaches to Human Augmentation)

16:40-17:10. Vlad Manciu, University of Bucharest, Romania, MA. Religious Studies - Texts and Traditions. *Între Magie şi Statistică: Transumanismul ca "ruşine prometeică".* (Between Magic and Statistics: Transhumanism as "promethean shame")

17:10-17:40. Dr. Tulia Maria Căşvean, University of Bucharest, Romania; **Dr. Vasile Hodorogea**, University of Bucharest, Romania. *Evanghelizarea sustenabilităţii: o analiză a comunicării corporative şi comerciale a marilor lanţuri de magazine din România.* (Evangelizing Sustainability: an Analysis of the Corporate and Commercial Communication of the big Store Chains in Romania)

17:40-18:10. Associate Lecturer, Dr. Radu Simion, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Department of Philosophy. *Provocări etice în chirurgia estetică*. (Ethical Challenges in Aesthetic Surgery)

18:10-18:40. PhD. Student, Persida Bec, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Doctoral School of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy; **PhD. Student, Andreea Melisa Mureşanu,** Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Doctoral School of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy. *Vulnerabilitate şi urbanism în paradigma post şi trans-umană—o perspectivă critică*. (Vulnerability and Urbanism in the Post and Trans-human Paradigm—a Critical Perspective)

18:40-19:00. Conference Closing & Outlook