

PROGRAMME · SHORT SCHEDULE

Three days of panels, keynotes and *conversation*

The sixth Transylvanian International Conference in Public Administration runs across three FSPAC buildings in Cluj-Napoca, closing with a trip to the Jelna winery. Sessions are in English, except the Hungarian panel.

01–03 October 2026

Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Babeş-Bolyai University · FSPAC



This is the short schedule. The extended programme, with all main conference panels and the papers presented in each of them, is available as a separate PDF on the conference website.

WHERE THINGS HAPPEN

FSPAC 1

Traian Moşoiu 71 - rooms 101, III/2, III/4, IV/3, IV/5, IV/6

[Open in Google Maps](#)**FSPAC 2**

Minerilor 85 - rooms T1, T2, T3, cafeteria

[Open in Google Maps](#)**FSPAC 3**

Septimiu Albini 12 - the garden at the back, for lunches

[Open in Google Maps](#)**Evening venues**

Casino Center for Urban Culture, Central Park · Casa

Universitarilor, Emmanuel de Martonne 1

HOW TO READ THE PROGRAMME

**Special panels**

Five invited panels, T1+T2 at FSPAC 2

**Key moments**

Opening, keynote speeches, closing

**Dinners & excursion**

Welcome dinner, gala dinner, Jelna

**Parallel sessions**

Main, Hungarian, communication, public health and project panels

1 October 2026

Thursday · opening, keynotes and first panels

8.15 Registration of participants and coffee break In front of room 101
 9.00 FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

9.00
10.30

OPENING**Official opening of the conference****Room 101**

Introductory speeches

FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

LOCAL ORGANIZERS**Bogdana Neamţu** - DAMP Chair, professor**Călin Hîrţea** - FSPAC Dean, professor**Dan Lazăr** - UBB Vice-Rector, professor**Călin Flaviu Rus** - UBB Vice-Rector, professor**Emil Boc** - Mayor of Cluj, professor**Maria Forna** - Prefect of Cluj county**PA INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS****Ludmila Gajdosova** - director, NISPAcee**Eckhard Schröter** - president, ENPA**David Ferraz** - EGPA**Susan Gooden** - ASPA**György Hajnal** - EAPAA**INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES****Derek E. Eberhart** - Associate Vice President for Research, University of Georgia, Athens**Kasemsarn Chotchakornpant** - Vice-President, National Institute of Development Administration, Thailand**Nektarios Papadogiannis** - Rector, Hellenic Mediterranean University**ROMANIAN PA SCHOOLS****Constantin Marius Profiroi** - Vice-Rector, Bucharest University of Economic Studies**Florin Oprea** - Alexandru Ioan Cuza University**Diana Iancu** - Dean, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Bucharest**Răzvan Papuc** - Vice-Rector, University of Bucharest

10.30 Short break, time to grab a coffee In front of room 101
 10.45 FSPAC 1

10.45
11.45

KEYNOTES**Invited keynote speeches (1)****Room 101**

FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

Geert Bouckaert

Leuven University

*Europe in the New Geopolitical Context: Institutions, citizens, and democracy***Patria de Lancer Julnes**

Instituto Universitario Ortega-Marañón

*The Humanist Engine of Democracy: From Moral Imperative to University-Community Collaboration?***Constantin Marius Profiroi**

Bucharest University of Economic Studies

Transforming public administration for a modern governance

11.45 Short break, time to grab a coffee In front of room 101
 12.00 FSPAC 1

12.00

13.00

KEYNOTES

Invited keynote speeches (2)

Room 101

FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

Wolfgang Drechsler

TalTech / University College London

What does Capacity for Public Value mean in times of AI and Polis Decline

Karen Johnston

University of Portsmouth

The Egregore of Public Management: Public Administration for the Future of Democracy

Edoardo Ongaro

Open University, UK

Philosophical Perspectives on European Public Administration: Revisiting the Neo-Weberian State and Public Value Theory in and for Europe

13.00

14.00

Lunch

FSPAC garden, behind FSPAC 3
Septimiu Albini 12

14.00

15.30

SPECIAL PANEL 1

University and community relation

T1+T2

FSPAC 2 - Minerilor 85

MODERATOR

John Diamond - Edge Hill University

PANELISTS

Emil Boc - Mayor of Cluj-Napoca, Babeş-Bolyai University

Nektarios A. Papadogiannis - Hellenic Mediterranean University

Derek E. Eberhart - University of Georgia, Athens

Marian Preda - University of Bucharest

Thurid Hustedt - Hertie School

IN PARALLEL

Public health panel

20 years of reform of the public health system in Romania 2006–2026 - lessons learnt, future trends

Room III/4, FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

15.30

16.00

Coffee break

In front of room 101, FSPAC 1
and FSPAC cafeteria, FSPAC 2

16.00

17.30

SPECIAL PANEL 2

Democracy and PA

T1+T2

FSPAC 2 - Minerilor 85

MODERATOR

Emil Turc - Aix-Marseille University

PANELISTS

György Hajnal - Corvinus University

Sarolta A. Takács - City University of New York

Lesya Ilchenko-Syuyva - National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy

Patrizia Magarò - Genoa University

Leslie A. Pal - Carleton University / Hamad Bin Khalifa University

IN PARALLEL

Project related panel

STARHAUS - Building Trust, Driving Change: Accelerating Public Acceptance of Decentralized Manufacturing in the AI Era

Room IV/5, FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

16.00

18.15

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Panels running in parallel

Rooms III/4, IV/3, IV/6, FSPAC 1 and T3, FSPAC 2

Main conference panels · Hungarian panel

16.00

18.00

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Communication panel (1)

Room III/2

Communication Trends in Times of Democratic Change

FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

19.00

23.00

WELCOME DINNER

Welcome dinner offered by the Mayor of Cluj-Napoca

Casino Center for Urban Culture

Central Park Simion Bărnuțiu

Please be on time - official representatives of the Cluj City Hall are welcoming all participants.

2 October 2026

Friday · panels, special panels and the closing

9.00
11.00

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Conference panels running in parallel

Main conference panels · Hungarian panel

**Rooms III/4, IV/3, IV/5, FSPAC 1
and T3, FSPAC 2**9.00
11.00

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Communication panel (2)

Communication Trends in Times of Democratic Change

**Room III/2
FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71**11.00
11.30

Coffee break

**In front of room 101, FSPAC 1
and FSPAC cafeteria, FSPAC 2**11.30
13.00

SPECIAL PANEL 3

PA education and its future**T1+T2
FSPAC 2 - Minerilor 85**

MODERATOR

Andrew Massey - King's College London

PANELISTS

Seeta Autar - EAPAA**Constantin Marius Profiroiu** - Bucharest University of Economic Studies**Kasemsarn Chotchakornpant** - National Institute of Development Administration, Thailand**Ludmila Gajdosova** - NISPAcee**Rob Gordon** - University of Georgia, Athens

IN PARALLEL

Conference panels running in parallel*Main conference panels · Hungarian panel*

Rooms III/2, IV/3, IV/6, FSPAC 1 · T3, FSPAC 2

IN PARALLEL

Project related panel*Studies DIG - Results after 2 years of implementation and what happens next*

Room IV/5, FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

13.00
14.00

Lunch

**FSPAC garden, behind FSPAC 3
Septimiu Albini 12**

14.00
15.30

SPECIAL PANEL 4

Future of PA

T1+T2

FSPAC 2 - Minerilor 85

MODERATOR

István Hoffman - Eötvös Loránd University

PANELISTS

László Vass - Budapest Metropolitan University

Troy Mix - University of Delaware

Ellen Wayenberg - Ghent University

Eckhard Schröter - German Police University

Jonathan W. Peters - University of Georgia, Athens

14.00
16.00

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Conference panels running in parallel

Rooms III/2, III/4, IV/3, IV/5,

FSPAC 1

and T3, FSPAC 2

Main conference panels · Hungarian panel

16.00
16.30

Coffee break

In front of room 101, FSPAC 1
and FSPAC cafeteria, FSPAC 2

15.30
17.00

SPECIAL PANEL 5

Locus of PA - local, regional, national and supra-national

T1+T2

FSPAC 2 - Minerilor 85

MODERATOR

Diana Iancu - SNSPA Bucharest

PANELISTS

Thanaporn Tengratanaprasert - National Institute of Development Administration, Thailand

Juan Mundel - Michigan State University

David Ferraz - University Institute of Lisbon

Joseph Watson - University of Georgia, Athens

Susan Gooden - Virginia Commonwealth University

17.45
18.45

CLOSING

Closing of the conference

Room 101

FSPAC 1 - Traian Moşoiu 71

Publication of conference proceedings · closing remarks

OFFICIAL RAPORTEURS

Prof. Amanda Murdie - Georgia Institute of Technology

Prof. Andrew Massey - King's College London

Prof. Tudor Vlad - University of Georgia, Athens · Babeş-Bolyai University

CLOSING REMARKS

Cristina Hînţea - Babeş-Bolyai University

Călin Hînţea - Babeş-Bolyai University

Bogdana Neamţu - Babeş-Bolyai University

19.30
23.30

GALA DINNER

Gala dinner offered by the Rector's office

Casa Universitarilor

Emmanuel de Martonne 1

3 October 2026

Saturday · a day in the Transylvanian hills

9.00	DEPARTURE Departure for Jelna by bus Hampton by Hilton Hotel in front of the hotel Please be on time - the bus cannot stay there for long.
11.30 17.30	EXCURSION Wine tasting and lunch in Jelna Jelna Winery near Bistrița, northern Transylvania Located in the rolling hills of northern Transylvania, near Bistrița, Jelna Winery is part of the historic Lechința wine-growing area, a region with a centuries-old viticultural tradition. Conference participants will enjoy a guided tasting of Jelna wines, followed by lunch at the winery restaurant, which emphasizes local and seasonal ingredients and their pairing with wines produced on the estate. For those with an evening flight, the return to Cluj is scheduled earlier and cars take you to the airport. Let the local organizers know in advance.
17.30	RETURN Return to Cluj by bus Jelna Winery

Rooms - 101, III/2, III/4, IV/3, IV/5 and IV/6 are in FSPAC 1, Traian Moșoiu 71. T1, T2, T3 and the cafeteria are in FSPAC 2, Minerilor 85. Lunches are served in the garden behind FSPAC 3, Septimiu Albini 12.