
FOREWORD

The School of Languages and Translation Studies at the University of Turku has undertaken the publication of an academic journal in the field of Romanian studies. *The Finnish Journal for Romanian Studies* (FJRS) focuses on different aspects of Romanian culture, mainly as reflected outside Romania, while researchers from around the world are invited to publish, the interdisciplinary dialogue between researchers in the field being heartily encouraged.

The second issue of FJRS brings together research articles from different areas of Romanian studies – literature, society, politics and language, which analyse and revisit the development of concepts, theories and paradigms as offered by specialists from different centres of research.

Our aim is to approach the way Romanians related to the Others and how this meeting, whether linguistic, cultural, literary, political, artistic or social has been perceived from both sides over the years. This discussion on how the interaction and possible transfer is an invitation to revisit old concepts and paradigms in the light of the contemporary European views on state, ethnicity, religion, human rights and freedom, all challenged by the new emerging maps and walls in Europe and not only. We thus express our sincerest thanks to the contributors of the current issue for their novel perspectives brought to the field of Romanian studies as well as to the reviewers of the articles.

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