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ROMANIA AND ITALY. THE COMMON CULTURE OF THE MEMORY OF THE PAST 100 YEARS. MEMORY AND IDENTITY IN THE ROMANIAN-ITALIAN DIALOGUE: SYMBOLIC SPACES, LEGAL, HISTORICAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUES

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Between the 26-27 October 2018, at the initiative of the “Dunărea de Jos” University of Galați, the Association of Scientific Researchers in the field of International and European Law (Italy) and the “Acad. Andrei Rădulescu” Legal Research Institute of the Romanian Academy, at the headquarters of the “Ugo Spirito e Renzo di Felice” Foundation in Rome, was held the international colloquium “Romania and Italy. The common culture of the memory of the past 100 years. Memory and identity in the Romanian-Italian dialogue: symbolic spaces, legal, historical and philosophical issues”; the event was dedicated to the Centenary of the Great Union of 1918 – the most important historic moment of the Romanian people. In the scientific papers and interventions held on the occasion, various important aspects of the Romanian-Italian relations were approached.

Academics, researches, lawyers, representatives of universities, research institutes, and cultural foundations from Romania, Italy, and the Republic of Moldova have approached historical, legal and philosophical issues of common politics, such as: national issues spanning from the Revolution of 1848 to the Paris Peace Conference (1919-1920), the unfolding and the consequences of the First World War, cultural and political relations between Romanian and Italy in the interwar period, national and international law issues, legal, scientific and cultural convergences between Romania and Italy in the past century.

The cultural and scientific dialogue thus inaugurated has been continued in the days of 22 and 23 of November 2018, in Galați, where certain aspects were treated in depth. On the occasion, there were several new aspects added and new future perspectives were opened, thus the meeting marking and important moment in the collaboration of the specialists – historians, philosophers and jurist – of the both countries, in deepening the problematics of national identity, and also of memory and common development in Europe and world-wide.

The colloquium was marked by the presence of renowned academics of Italy and Romania, amongst which we mention: prof. Augusto Sinagra and prof. Florin Tudor – cochairs of the colloquium; prof. Mircea Duțu – director of the “Acad. Andrei Rădulescu” Legal Research Institute of the Romanian Academy; prof. Massimo Panebianco – University of Salerno; prof. Cristian Luca – *ad interim* director of the Romanian Institute for Culture and Humanistic Research in Venice, Italy; prof. Paolo Simoncelli – La Sapienza University of Rome; prof. Ion Bolovan – “Babeș – Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca; prof. Gian Luigi Cecchini – University of Trieste; prof. Liviu-Petru Zăpîrțan – Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Romania to the Holy See; prof. Gaetano Sabatini – “Ugo Spirito e Renzo De Felice” Foundation, Rome / Tre University of Rome; prof. Ovidiu Predescu – director of the “Dreptul” publications ea.

The works of the colloquium have been honored by the presence of prof. Iulian Gabriel Bîrsan, rector of the “Dunărea de Jos” University of Galați.