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09:30–10:00	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
10:00–10:30	OPENING SESSION Moderator: Elena BĂDĂDRĂU, PhD, Representative of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoE-USC) WELCOME ADDRESSES Sergiu CORNEA, Habilitated Doctor, Professor, Rector of Cahul State University "Bogdan Petriceicu Hasdeu" Ludmila GOLOVATAIA, PhD, Associate Professor, Project Coordinator, Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoE-USC) Greetings from the conference guests
10:30–12:30	PLENARY SESSION Valentina CORNEA, PhD, Associate Professor, Representative of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoE-USC), Universitatea din Galați, România THE EUROPEAN UNION IN A NEW GEOPOLITICAL ENVIRONMENT: POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES FOR THE FUTURE OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION Vitalie CAZACU, PhD, Associate Professor, Representative of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoE-USC), Universitatea de Stat din Moldova, Moldova THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA ON THE PATH TOWARDS EUROPEAN UNION MEMBERSHIP: OPPORTUNITIES, CHALLENGES AND LESSONS LEARNED Angela POPOVICI, PhD, Associate Professor, Universitatea Dunărea de Jos, Galați, România THE FUTURE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION: INSTITUTIONAL REFORM, ENLARGEMENT AND DEMOCRATIC RESILIENCE VioletaTeodora LUNGEANU, PhD, Associate Professor, Universitatea Dunărea de Jos, Galați, România EUROPEAN UNION POLICIES IN TIMES OF MULTIPLE CRISES: FROM RESILIENCE TO STRATEGIC TRANSFORMATION
12:30–13:00	Lunch Break

13:00–15:00	SESSION I EUROPEAN INTEGRATION: POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENTS Elena Mandaji, PhD, Representative of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoE-USC), State University B.P. Hasdeu, Cahul INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSES TO CONTEMPORARY EUROPEAN CHALLENGES Elena BĂDĂDRĂU, PhD, Associate Professor, Representative of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoE-USC), State University of Moldova, Moldova RULE OF LAW AND DEMOCRATIC RESILIENCE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION Marianna STOICA, PhD, Associate Professor, State University of Moldova, Moldova DEMOCRACY, GOVERNANCE AND INSTITUTIONAL RESILIENCE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION Boris CORETSCHI, PhD, Associate Professor, State University of Moldova, Moldova EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AND INSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATION Maria COMPANEETS, PhD, Associate Professor, State University of Moldova, Moldova POLITICAL AND INSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION
15:00–15:20	Coffee Break
15:20–17:00	SESSION II EUROPEAN UNION POLICIES, GOVERNANCE AND CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES Ina FILIPOV PhD, State University B.P. Hasdeu, Cahul GREEN TRANSITION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT Vasil Chirmici, PhD, Associate Professor, State University of Moldova, Moldova ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE AND COMPETITIVENESS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION Liliana CECLU, PhD, Associate Professor, State University B.P. Hasdeu, Cahul DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION Iurie RUMEUS, PhD, Associate Professor, State University B.P. Hasdeu, Cahul SOCIAL COHESION AND EUROPEAN VALUES Larisa TRIFONOV, PhD, Associate Professor, State University of Moldova, Moldova MIGRATION, MOBILITY AND EUROPEAN SECURITY Angela Ceban, PhD, Associate Professor, State University of Moldova, Moldova

	EU ENLARGEMENT AND THE EASTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD
17:00–17:30	PANEL DISCUSSION Moderator: Ludmila GOLOVATAIA, PhD, Associate Professor, Project Coordinator, Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence (JMCoe-USC) Discussion Topics • The future of the European Union in the context of current political and institutional transformations • Challenges and opportunities for the European integration process • Strengthening research and education in European Studies • Questions and Answers
17:30	Closing of the International Scientific Conference