

Curriculum Vitae

Name: Aurel Rustoiu

Date & Place of Birth: 30 October 1965, Cugir, Romania

Studies:

- 1985–1989, Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania; BA dissertation: *Stone walls fortifications in Dacia before the Roman conquest*.
- 1990–1996, Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca; Doctoral thesis: *The bronze metallurgy in pre-Roman Dacia (2nd c. BC – 1st c. AD). Techniques, workshops and bronze artefacts*
- 2017, Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca – Habilitation thesis: *Ethnic and cultural identities in late Iron Age Transylvania*

Current activity: Senior researcher at the Institute of Archaeology and History of Art, Romanian Academy of Sciences, Cluj-Napoca branch, Romania

Former activities:

- 1990–2003 Researcher, then Senior Researcher at the Romanian Institute of Thracology Bucharest, Cluj-Napoca branch.
- 2003–2004: Senior Researcher at the Institute of Archaeology of the Romanian Academy of Sciences Bucharest, Department of Thracology.

Scientific activity:

Fieldwork (selective).

Archaeological researches in Romania:

- 1990 Carei – Bobald (Satu Mare county), member of archaeological team (Bronze Age settlement);
- 1990–1991 Sucidava – Celei (Olt county), member of archaeological team (in charge with the Late Iron Age settlement);
- 1991–1996 Sighișoara – Wietenberg (Mureș county), co-director (Late Iron Age fortified settlement and Bronze Age settlement);
- 1993–1997 Divici – Grad (Caraș-Severin county), co-director (Late Iron Age fortress);

- 1997 Iernut (Mureş county), member of archaeological team (Late Iron Age, Roman period and Early Middle Age period settlements).
- 2003-2004 Roşia Montană Project (rescue excavations), member of archaeological team (Roman period cemetery).
- 2007 Polus Comercial Center Project (rescue excavation), member of archaeological team (Bronze Age, Iron Age, Roman period, Migration period settlements).
- 2005-2006 Transylvania Highway Project (rescue excavation), member of archaeological team (Bronze Age, Late Iron Age, Roman period settlements).
- 2016-2017 Sebeş-Turda Highway Project (rescue excavation), director of archaeological team (Bronze Age and, Iron Age settlements and cemeteries).

Archaeological researches abroad:

- 1996–1999 Solotvino (Trans-Carpathian Ukraine), co-director (Late Iron Age fortified settlement, Bronze Age settlement and Early Middle Age fortified settlement);
- 2000–2002 Bila Tzerkova (Trans-Carpathian Ukraine), co-director (Early and Late Iron Age settlement and Late Roman period burial mounds).

International archaeological projects of excellence:

- 2009–2010 member in the international project “Land and aerial surveys in the Transylvanian Plain”; ELTE University Budapest, “Babeş-Bolyai” University Cluj-Napoca, Mureş County Museum. Financed by OTKA (Hungarian Scientific Research Fund), no. IN 77325/2009-2010.
- 2013–2016, co-director of “Apulum Mithraeum III Project”; Princeton University (USA), University of British Columbia (Canada), “Babes-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca (RO), Institute of Archaeology and History of Art, Romanian Academy of Sciences, Cluj-Napoca branch (RO), National Museum of Unification Alba Iulia (RO).
- 2018 – present, co-director of “Apulum Roman Villa Project”; University of British Columbia (Canada), Institute of Archaeology and History of Art, Romanian Academy of Sciences, Cluj-Napoca branch (RO), National Museum of Unification Alba Iulia (RO).

University activity:

- 1996, Coordinator of the seminar ‘The history of Late Iron Age in South-East Europe’, Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca;
- 2001 Coordinator of the seminar ‘Archaeological artefacts in chronological context in the Late Iron Age Carpathian Basin’, Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca;

- Since 2001 Supervisor of BA and MA dissertations, Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeş-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca.

Papers presented at scientific events (selective): 2008 *Roma (Italy)*. The XVIIth International Congress of Classical Archaeology, Roma; 2009 *Heidelberg (Germany)*. III. Congress der Internationalen Lychnologischen Gesellschaft; 2011 *Cambridge (UK)*. International Conference “Fingerprinting Iron Age. Approaches to identity in the European Iron Age” (Keyspeaker); 2012 *Carnuntum Petronell (Austria)*. International Symposium “The Antiquity – A Perspective from Different Angles”; 2012 *Rzeszów (Poland)*. International conference “Weapon – Violence – Warfare”; 2013 *Pilsen*. 19th EAA Annual Meeting. Session “East-West: the role of Central Europe in the Iron Age”; 2014 *Manching (Germany)*. International conference “Clash of Cultures — Going North...”; 2014 *Istanbul*. 20th EAA Annual Meeting. Session “Encounters and Transformations in Iron Age Europe”; 2015 *Cambridge (UK)*. Conference “Craft and production in the European Iron Age”. 2018 *Barcelona*. 24th EAA Annual Meeting. Session “The fourth and third century BC - a Pan-European turning point”. 2019 *14th – 17th May Stara Lesna, Slovakia*. The Celts. 20th International Conference The La Tène Period in Central Europe. 2019 *King’s College London, 12-14 June*. Instrumentum International Meetings: Hoarding and Deposition in Europe from later Prehistory to the Medieval Period – Finds in Context.

Published works: Books – 10; Edited volumes – 5; Chapters in syntheses, lexicons, encyclopaedias – 12; Exhibition catalogues – 3; Studies in research journals and proceedings – more than 150.

Projects (selective):

- 1999-2002 Member in the project ‘Habitat and Society in Western and North-Western Romania in the 1st Millennium BC – 1st Millennium AD’; “Babeş – Bolyai” University of Cluj Napoca; Financed by the World Bank.

- 2007-2008 Director of the project “The Celts from Transylvania between Occident and Orient”; Institute of Archaeology and History of Arts; Financed by CNCS no. 1256/2007-2008.

- 2013-2017 Co-director of “Apulum Mithraeum III Project”. Princeton University (USA).

- 2013-2015 Mentor of the project “Alternative Methods in the Research and Interpretation of the Late Iron Age Cemeteries in Transylvania” (director S. Berecky). Financed by CNCS – UEFISCDI, project no. PNI-II-RU-PD-2012-3-0316.

- 2006-2009 Director of the project „Community dynamics and identity constructs in the eastern Carpathian Basin during the Late Iron Age. The impact of human mobility”. Financed by CNCS – UEFISCDI, project no. PN-III-P4-ID-PCE-2016-0353.

- 2017 – present, member of the project "Iron Age Female Identity in the Craphian Basin-FEMINE". Institute of Archeology Zagreb. Financed by Hrvatska zaklada za znanost (IP-06-2016-1749).
- 2018 – present, co-director of "Apulum Roman Villa Project". University of British Columbia (Canada).

Other scientific activities:

- 2009-2011 President of professional association 'Groupe de travail européen sur l'artisanat et les productions manufacturées dans l'Antiquité';
- Since 2005 Co-editor of the series 'Ethische und Kulturelle interferenzen im 1. Jahrtausend v. Chr. – 1. Jahrtausend n. Chr.' published by the 'Babeş-Bolyai' University of Cluj-Napoca and the Institute of Archaeology and History of Art, Cluj-Napoca.