

TERRA ALVTANA

Sometime after endeavouring, a dream comes true, adding to the altruistic effort of the archaeology specialists, dedicated specialists in museography, in the form of a magazine that will include concrete data about the root, trunk and the leafy branches. In other words, the history of a nation, the history of its identity.

Practically, in this part of the country, in this geographical fragment of Oltenia, we step on history, history is under our feet and must be brought to light for knowledge and recognition.

On the territory of Olt County, there are currently at least three archaeological sites of great historical importance, namely: Romula, Sucidava and Acidava. At the same time, the discoveries of recent years prove that Olt County is still an area not sufficiently researched, from an archaeological point of view and would certainly have a lot to offer from the point of view of history testimonies.

The selfless work, often in anonymity, of those who enter into dialogue with the material time, will materialize in our magazine, generously open to the collaboration with those in the field and to the thorough knowledge of the work of archaeologists, those who rightfully play the essential part.

The establishment of this specialized journal, a scientific journal, was felt as a necessity, as a document of the efforts related to everything that means social, cultural and economic identity. We dream beautifully when we say that we would like our magazine to reach schools, faculties, to be known through the press, and today's technical means to be capitalized, so that we, not only through this publication, consolidate our name and reputation in Europe and in the world.

At our museum, in our hive of ancient history and civilization, we work as a team, otherwise singular efforts would fade away. Everyone here, at our museum, knows what an archaeological site means, they know what it means to discover the material evidence of living in these lands, quotes coming from time, from the Book of Life. We are to continue to work at the pace that our professional conscience imposes on us. As previously said, we are waiting for the collaboration with specialists, all those who want our history to be placed in documents and in everyone's soul.

After an analysis of the situation at the level of the institution, but also in the territory, within the museum team, we decided to set up a scientific journal, in collaboration with personalities in the field, to highlight the importance of discoveries and research, carried out in various eras of history.

This journal is intended to be one of the standard means of promoting history in general, and informing about cultural values resulted from archaeological excavations, research and scientific processing, as well as a credible witness of the period in which it will be issued!

I am grateful to all those who subscribed to our intention, but also to those who supported and promoted the idea of establishing this magazine!

It is not a feeble effort, but I am hopeful that, with the joint efforts of both the museum staff and collaborators, whether authors or reviewers, editors or translators, to raise this magazine to the highest standards, and *Terra Alutana*, to become a reference name in the field of history! I also thank Olt County Council for understanding, support and financial support, an institution that acknowledged and accredited the museum, in achieving this objective!

I wish the entire staff of the journal be successful in producing as many articles as possible, fast internal accreditation and rapid international recognition, and numerous future issues!

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