



Ceremony for awarding the

Doctor Honoris Causa

distinction to His Excellency

Professor Francesco Guida, Ph. D.,

Roma Tre University.

Motivation

The Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca has awarded the Doctor Honoris Causa distinction to Professor Francesco Guida, at the Roma Tre University, Italy, in recognition of his significant contributions to the field of South-Eastern European history and his enduring collaboration with our university. His extensive research is grounded in the historiography of the respective nationalities, supported by archival materials and historical documents, for the deciphering and interpretation of which he employed his thorough knowledge of numerous classical and Oriental languages.

The awarding ceremony took place on November 1, 2019. Professor Francesco Guida held an extensive lecture entitled “National movements in Italy and Central and South-Eastern Europe. The difficult application of the idea of nation”. His presentation draws a parallel between the history of Italy’s unification and the movements of other nationalities, particularly those connected to the Balkans. One notable example is the Greek independence movement in the 19th century, which contributed to the broader Risorgimento movement for uniting Italy.



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