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She is one of the founders and also the treasurer of the Business Logistics Foundation (Romania – UK). She has been member of the Program and Organizing Committees and also chairman and scientific reviewer for several national and international congresses, such as SIGEF, GITMA, ECKM, ICEC, IE etc. She was visiting professor at Austrian Research Institute for Artificial Intelligence, University of Bologna - Computer Science Department, University of Milano - Bicocca - Department of Computer Science, Systems and Communication, and also University of Wisconsin - La Crosse and University of Wisconsin – Madison - USA.

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