

Professor Radu Titus MARINESCU, a true provider of vision and direction for his students through excellent teaching and support, and promoter of community engagement, of public-private partnerships, and lifelong learning, serving both, as a Teacher, and as an ambassador of his hometown Buftea

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Abstract

Being kept permanently connected to the reality of our life, we have the duty to demonstrate our firm commitment to sharing the respect for those who prove passion in serving and promoting a real culture of excellence, for those who demonstrate strong beliefs in the imperative of being involved responsibly with the community and school, having a real sense of caring. A Professor's students are intensely feeling the need of being supported by people who bring the core values of community networking, by displaying the architecture of honest and pertinent conversation. The same way, the town's residents are intensely feeling the need of being given a heard voice in all the decisions that impact their families and town community.

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Honest and pertinent communication with the community he cares about

Born, raised and married in Buftea Town (the town's historical, social and economical link with Prince Barbu Știrbei being well known) and having a beautiful family (two children, and his wife Silvia Marinescu being the Principal of "Barbu Știrbei" College in Buftea Town), **Professor Radu Titus MARINESCU** breathes through every pore of the community and school.

The beginning of our transition to the free market economy brought him in the position of Vice Mayor, and now, after 22 years, we find him in the same public position, dedicated to working in cooperation with others to better serve the hometown Buftea as Vice Mayor, considering an honor and a privilege to serve the town community with honest and pertinent communication. He is promoting responsible development consistent with the values of his hometown Buftea, pledging constantly for both, experiencing the transformation of the hope for a better life of the people and their children's future in reality, and a fiscally responsible approach to budgeting issues, being convinced of the importance of thinking together in what concerns how to identify ways to reduce taxes and spending while facing crises pressures.

He has significant contributions to well known scientific debates reflected by the mass media ("Economistul", No. 10, 28 of March 2011, pp. 10-11), such as "National Project for the Economic and Social Modernization of Romania" (the scientific debate was based on a diagnosis made by the distinguished Professors Constantin Anghelache, Ion Gh. Roșca, Constantin Mitrut and Vergil Voineagu; this diagnosis being appreciated by the distinguished Professor Gheorghe Zaman - <http://www.crd-aida.ro/our-team/gheorghe-zaman/> - and the other distinguished

participants). Together with his distinguished Colleague Professor Constantin ANGHELACHE, who is The President of the Senate of the ARTIFEX University, Professor Radu Titus MARINESCU (Vice Dean of the Finance and Accounting School) form a true example of professional teamwork. Together with their colleagues, they are constantly developing an active interdisciplinary community, making pedagogy more student-centered, and trying to make a difference establishing relationships built around teaching, by adequately talking to the students while developing the school expertise when it comes to student knowledge about practice, knowing that their students must be able to succeed in an ever changing labor market by engaging in the specific activities and becoming accountable. In this respect, they are assuming the recommended responsibility of instructing and evaluating their students in a fair and effective manner.

Professor Radu Titus MARINESCU is involved in scientific research projects and has received different scientific prizes, such as a prize from the Romanian Academy (Virgil Madgearu, 2003), and from the General Association of Economists from Romania (A.G.E.R., 2009, for outstanding contributions to public finance performances analysis). In the last few years, he published the following books: *Public Finance. Analytics Models and Case Studies* (Editura Economica Publishing House, Bucharest, 2009), *Elements of Banking and Financial Marketing* (ARTIFEX Publishing House, Bucharest, 2010), and *Analytics Models in the Field of Public Finance* (ARTIFEX Publishing House, Bucharest, 2010).

A proactive Member of the Board of the Romanian Distribution Committee

As a member of the Board of the Romanian Distribution Committee, Professor Radu Titus MARINESCU has permanently confirmed his willingness to take matters into his hands, assuming an active role in the Romanian Distribution Committee struggling to deal with the barriers raised in front of the necessity of returning to knowledge for understanding, of capitalizing on the tradition for wisdom of humankind, by joining our responsible team he decided to prove that human interaction is the one that makes a better sharing, by opening our hearts and restoring the preeminence of character over spectacle, transforming ourselves and others by widening the constructive debate, and step by step building in terms of knowledge, experiences and interests of the citizens, communities and civil society.

He was directly involved both, in our effort of promoting sustainable development by organizing on May 16, 2000, together with the “International Foundation Health – Environment – Sustainable development ” and in partnership with “ION RATIU” Romanian Parliamentarian’s Club , the Symposium ”The Economy of Ideas and Sustainable development” (first reported by the Magazine “Tribuna Economica”, no. 18/3 May 2000) that took place at the Parliament House, and in the achievement of the interdisciplinary research (representing a turning point in developing a national strategy) “Sustainable development: principles and action” (Millenium Publishing House, May 2000), which formed the basis of the debates on that occasion. As it is known, the study was centered on the need for enterprise reconstruction on the basis of negotiated competency, in the context of spiritualization of economies. It was also discussed, in the context, the opportunity to exploit the model of Product Development Research/CDP in meeting sustainable development, CDP representing product trajectory as a specific

methodological instrument (in Anexe 1 being presented the Research-Developemnt Programe - with 4 subprogrames - “Sustainable Development”).

Professor Radu Titus MARINESCU was also involved in many other activities, such as: the first “International Congress of AIDA Brussels” in Romania (in May 1998, Athenee Palace Hilton); the International Symposium “The distribution of fresh products” (March 13, 2001, at the Parliament Palace); the Symposium “Institutional-spiritual reconstruction of enterprises, requirement for sustainable development in the knowledge society”, a nationwide premiere organized in 2006 by the Romanian Distribution Committee, in collaboration with Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies and UGIR 1903; The First International Congress „Health-Nutrition-Wellbeing” (Aro Palace Hotel, Brasov, 15-17 October, 2011). And all these within the framework of our actions enrolled in a common endeavor for the normalization of the competitive environment, to prevent inefficiency and to increase the overall level of performance, for partnerships and loyal competition in the distribution process, to increase welfare by offering the possibility of options. It is worth remembering, in this context, the aspects mentioned in the 1997 Report (page 561), 1998 Report (pag. 66-67), 1999 Report (pag. 53) and 2001 Report(pag. 64), of the Competition Council, concerning the collaboration with the Romanian Distribution Committee. As we all know: competition is the key leader of performance and innovation which feeds economic growth, thanks to fair and open competition the best product winning and the market forces prevailing; the signals regarding the changing of the nature of competition intensify, that increasingly takes place inside corporate-controlled networks, emphasizing the necessity to apply in the global industrial network of some fresh engineering principles carefully building political calibrated institutions and following the approach through the whole system of human businesses, both private and public; it is necessary that the approach based on the market helps in implementing the ambitions of the social reform; the situation is even more pressing in a global context in which it is considered that calculated dishonesty and the application of the double standard, characteristic to the agreement between the political power and the financial power, raise strong barriers to the responsible intelligent decisions.

As we have remembered on the occasion The First International Congress „Health-Nutrition-Wellbeing”, the speech and action on this real serious identified challenge must and can be changed. The health of the people and of the economy lies in the center of sustainable development and adapting the business accordingly. That is why we will continue to demonstrate our consequently commitment of sharing the respect for those who prove passion in serving and promoting a real culture of excellence, for those who demonstrate strongly beliefs in the imperative of being involved responsibly with community and school, having a real sense of caring, for all those trying to build consensus in order to organize the necessary community effort aimed at serving the community quality of life.

(Photos, cu subtitrare):

1. (0816): Bernd Hallier, Silvia Marinescu (Principal of “Barbu Stirbei” College in Buftea Town), and Radu Titus Marinescu (Vice Mayor of Buftea Town)

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