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Dragos Ivana, 29.VIII-2.IX.2022, European Society for the Study of English Conference, Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germania; participant in the panel entitled "Rebellious Marys: Women on Self-Development in late 18th- and Early 19th-Cetury Fiction and Prose Writings", paper title: "Self-Development as a Quixotic Mode in Mary Hays's Memoirs of Emma Courtney"

Dragos Ivana, 8.VII.2022, keynote speaker, *Metaphor, Spatiality, Discourse* conference, Ovidius University of Constanța; paper title: "The Lures and Ruses of the Metropolis: Cultural Representations of Eighteenth-Century London"

Dragos Ivana, British and American Studies Conference, 31st edition, University of the West, Timişoara; paper title: "The Meaning of Walking in 18th-Century London

Ruxandra Vişan, Dictionaries and Prescriptions. A Workshop on the History of Lexicography (organized by Ruxandra Vişan) *International Conference of the Faculty of Foreign Languages and Literatures*, University of Bucharest, 25 November 2022 <u>Atelier Dictionaries and Prescriptions.docx - Google Docs</u>

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