



Book Review

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Res Societatis

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Coping scientifically with social phenomena means being all ears and eyes in terms of what is happening around you and beyond, thinking critically and analytically, engaging imagination and interpretational skills of the sociological and of social philosophy spectrum, in order to reconstruct the reality intellectually, offer an alternative-objective perception, away from ordinary superficial pressure and thought dictatorship. The “long-lasting or endless transition” societies represent an arena of multiple transformations that reflect on individual’s destiny, groupings-collectivities and on the whole of society.

Res Societatis, which means Social Issues represents a compendium of qualitative and quantitative research units that deal with various different sociological problems such as values and the academia (university), moral crisis, corruption, policy-making processes as well as gender perspectives, urbanization and the poor neighborhood-slum (the case of Gazi Baba), inter-religious dialogue and theocratized secularism, human capital, brain drain, etc.

This sociological book encompasses an approach beyond theoretical vision and deals with issues from the perspective of multimethodology (survey, interview, focus group, case study, content analysis, discourse analysis, interaction analysis, phenomenology, visual method) by originating new scientific data that throw light on various different domestic and global phenomena. The research framework of this textbook includes collaboration with various relevant institutions such as Regional Research Promotion Programme (RRPP)- University of Fribourg, CEPOS (The Center of Post-Communist Political Studies), Craiova University, Athens Institute for Education and Research, KAYFOR

(Public Administration Forum – Samsun), University of Vienna, Balkan Sociologic Forum, etc.

Every individual and society has their own values upon which they construct their viewpoints and ideas, their vital environment and their way of life. Exegesis of social values and *vox universitatis* are two important elements of society-building that are included in this chrestomacy. The content of Pajaziti’s newest book implies that it will incite debates, analyses and new comparative research undertakings that will enrich the scientific culture and the social capital in general.

