



## **17<sup>th</sup> IDRiM CAFE**

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CONTRIBUTION OF SOCIAL MEDIA TO EFFECTIVE  
DISASTER MANAGEMENT:  
COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF ROMANIAN AND INDIAN  
SCENARIOS



# Dan Chiribuca

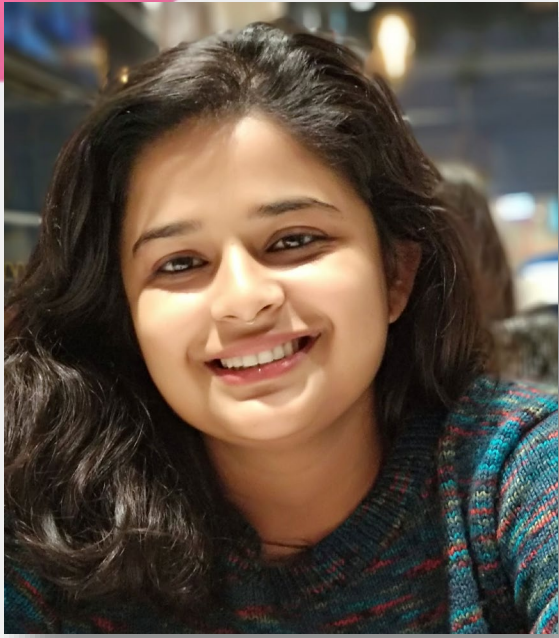
President of the Romanian Society of Sociologists (2009-2010), vice-president (2010-2019), he is a professor of Sociology at the Faculty of Sociology and Social Work of the Babes Bolyai University, Dean between 2008 and 2012, director of the Center for University Development and Quality Management (2012-2018), as well as the research director of the Institute for the Social Studies Metro Media Transilvania (1998-2005). The main research interests are in the fields of research methodology, communication and media. He has directed or coordinated more than 65 research projects for national and international beneficiaries, most of them opinion polls, market studies, social impact assessments, social inclusion and media audience studies.



# Monika Meltzer

Dr. Monika Meltzer is a *Research assistant at the Faculty of Environmental Science and Engineering, Babeş-Bolyai University, Romania.*

She obtained a BSc in Journalism and a PhD in Environmental Science from Babeş-Bolyai University, Romania. Monika has over a decade of interdisciplinary research experience in areas such as disaster risk communication, environmental risk assessment, disaster risk reduction, and, more recently, citizen science. She has also conducted social media research. Monika has worked on various research projects, many related to target group-oriented risk communication and science outreach. She recently worked as an expert for the World Bank, providing recommendations regarding risk communication and awareness raising for Romania's National Disaster Risk Reduction Strategy 2023-2025.



# Kaniska Singh

Kaniska Singh is a PhD researcher at the Ashank Desai Centre for Policy Studies at IIT Bombay, India. She holds her Master's and M Phil degree in Social work from the University of Delhi. Currently, she is conducting research in the Kosi river plains in North Bihar, a region infamous for its riverine flood-prone topography. She is studying the relationship between the flood policy process and the reproduction of flood vulnerability for marginalised groups. Her research interests are disaster policy & governance process, last-mile early warning systems, power relations & politics in disaster governance and disaster justice. Previously, she contributed to a project called “Voices of Disaster: narratives and Representation Following the Kerala floods of August 2018” with UEA, IIHS and IIT Bombay as a researcher. She was also a part of the CNDS Summer School at Uppsala University, Sweden.



# Tanu Gupta

Tanu Gupta is a researcher with a strong academic background in Disaster Management and Mitigation, having completed her M.Tech. degree at the Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee in 2019. Currently, She is pursuing her Ph.D. at the same institution, with a primary focus on exploring various dimensions of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) for Disaster Risk Reduction.

Her current research is dedicated to developing rapid and efficient responses to natural disasters by harnessing the potential of social media data. Alongside this, She has a profound interest in leveraging big data, machine learning, and technology to tackle real-world challenges. Her work is guided by the purpose of providing critical information to decision-makers, particularly during disasters, to facilitate informed and timely actions.

# Zoom

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