

FOREWORD

We are pleased to present this issue of the Proceedings of the Academy of Romanian Scientists - PRODUCTICA SCIENTIFIC SESSION based on papers presented at the 8th edition of the Scientific Session PRODUCTICA 2016 "*Creativity development and valorisation of innovation*" held on the 27th-28th May 2016 at the Educational and Cultural Center from Mioveni - Argeş.

The event was part of Scientific Session of the Center for Creativity Development, affiliated to the Academy of Romanian Scientists, and attracted a large number of submissions of the most relevant scientific results from universities, research institutes and companies. The main topics cover the following areas:

- COLLABORATION between universities and companies
- INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH during Masters and PhD studies
- INNOVATION and knowledge transfer
- AUTOMATION and process control

We are very grateful to all who helped in organizing the conference and in particular, we would like to thank the members of the PRODUCTICA 2016 program committee. Their continuing support has been essential to further improve the quality of accepted submissions and the resulting success of the conference.

The PRODUCTICA 2016 conference organizers would like also to thank to the Mioveni City Hali for the involvement in organizing this event.

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