

80 YEARS SINCE THE FOUNDATION OF THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF ROMANIA

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Abstract. The Academy of Sciences of Romania was legally founded on March 29, 1935 having as main purpose to encourage and guide scientific creation. In its 13 years of existence, the Academy of Sciences organised conferences, symposia and scientific sessions, edited a “Bulletin” and a “Comptes Rendus”, published 40 books, and awarded a number of valuable scientific papers. On June 8, 1948, the Academy of Sciences ceased its activity, and was integrated into the Academy of the Romanian People’s Republic.

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On March 3, 1935, on the premises of the Faculty of Sciences of the University of Bucharest, 26 professors of Bucharest, Iasi and Cluj gathered to discuss the establishment of an association designed to support and stimulate scientific research in Romania.

After the discussions that then took place, it was proposed to found the Academy of Sciences. In the following days were drawn up the Articles of Incorporation of the Academy of Sciences of Romania, which were discussed and approved in the sitting of March 11, 1935. The document was signed by Constantin Angelescu, Dragomir Hurmuzescu, Nicolae Coculescu, Dimitrie Călugăreanu, Ștefan Minovici, Andrei Popovici-Bânzoșanu, Anton Davidoglu, Constantin Kirițescu, Nicolae Condeescu, Ion Borcea, Negoită Dănilă, Alexandru Borza, Ion Popescu-Voitești, Nicolae T. Deleanu, Constantin Stătescu, I. V. Bădulescu, Eugen Bădărău, Costin Stoicescu, Marin Drăcea, Eugen Angelescu, Constantin Mihăilescu, Simion Radian, Constantin Popescu, Ion Miclescu, Ilie C. Purcaru and Christian Musceleanu.

The signatories were prominent personalities in the scientific world and beyond, creators of schools in mathematics, medicine, physics, biology, astronomy, geology, etc.

The famous surgeon Constantin Angelescu was elected president of the Academy of Sciences, and the physicist Christian Musceleanu was appointed its secretary.

In the following period was developed the Statute, which stated that: “The purpose of the Academy of Sciences of Romania is to foster, encourage and guide scientific creation through: