

## **Alina Mungiu-Pippidi**

### **Biography**

Alina Mungiu-Pippidi is a Romanian born political scientist, journalist and writer serving as the chair of the European Research Centre for Anticorruption and State-Building (ERCAS) and a professor of Comparative Public Policy at LUISS Guido Carli. After obtaining a PhD in social psychology in Romania, she went on to study public policy at Harvard University as a Fulbright and then a Shorenstein fellow. She was a visiting scholar at Stanford, Oxford, European University Institute and Sciences Po, among others. For fifteen years (2007-2023) she held the Chair of Democracy Studies at Hertie School of Governance in Berlin. She is the founder of Romania's most influential think-tank, the Romanian Academy Society and her good governance innovations were scaled up by donors and civil society coalitions in many countries, notably in Ukraine.

A winner of many EU research projects, she served in the European Commission expert groups for innovation (DG Research) and corruption (DG Home), consulting for various EU institutions and governments. Her main books are *A Tale of Two Villages* (CEU Press, 2010), *Ottomans into Europeans* (with Wim van Meurs, Hurst, 2010,) *A Quest for Good Governance* (2015) and *Europe's Burden. Promoting Good Governance across borders* (2020), both with Cambridge University Press. She published in *Nature* and *Nature Behavior* alongside other publications in social science journals. BBC screened *A Tale of Two Village* as a TV documentary.