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Management". Alina also has a PhD in the field of business management, with the thesis "Innovative Methods in Romanian Spa Natural Resource Exploitation through Tourist Services".

Between July 2014 and November 2015 she had a **POSDRU research scholarship** in the MINERVA cooperation project for elite PhD and post-PhD research careers. While enrolled in the MINERVA project, she benefitted from a student mobility research program, between January and April 2015, at the Lleida University in Lleida, Spain.

Since 2018, Alina is a **postdoctoral fellow** at **Bucharest University of Economics Studies** and she is enrolled in INOVANT project funded by European Social Fund through the Human Capital Operational Program 2014-2020. The research theme she studies is "New ways to value tourism resources from rural environment". During the postdoctoral studies, Alina benefitted from a student mobility research program in February 2020 at the Bari University, Italy.

Alina is editor-in —chief and founder of the Junior Scientific Researcher online research journal. The publication was founded in 2015 after she won the Start-Up Smart funding project for young entrepreneurs. Another such initiative of Alina is the Catalog Med Tour platform for medical tourism, founded in 2012. She also has a vast eperience in organising academic conferences, being part of the organizing team of "Romanian Conference for Education and Research", an annual event organized by Enformation company.

The main projects in which Alina was involved so far are:

- **01 October 2019- 01 October 2020** Postdoctoral grant (INOVANT Project). Link: http://www.antreprenoriatinovativ.ase.ro/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Grup-Tinta-PD-ASE.pdf
- **06-10 May 2019** Ghent University MSCA-IF Master Class (funded by European Commission)
- **26-30 August 2018** short term mobility grant in Iceland (funded by EEA Grants) Location: Innovation Center Iceland
- **June 2015-December 2015** Entrepreneurship grant. Project: SOP HRD, Priority Axis 3, Key Area of Intervention 3.1 "Promoting Entrepreneurial Culture"
- October 2013 October 2016 PhD grant Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
- **June 2014 November 2015 -** PhD grant, POSDRU/159/1.5/S/137832 (funded by European Commission and Romanian Academy, Cluj- Napoca/Romania) Link: http://www.minerva-posdru.ro/grup-tinta/bursieri-doctorat/