

**ROMANIA AND THE BULGARIAN NATIONAL RENAISSANCE
BETWEEN THE CREATION OF THE MODERN ROMANIAN
NATIONAL STATE (1859) AND THE EMERGENCE
OF THE BULGARIAN STATE (1878)**

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Abstract: *Time of the national renaissance of the Balkan peoples, the 19th century represents also an important chapter in the history of Romanian-Bulgarian relations. The Bulgarian renaissance and the struggle for emancipation from Ottoman rule would not have been possible, beyond the involvement and help of great powers such as Russia, without the safe Heaven that Bulgarian revolutionaries and common people, cultural and political elites have found north of Danube. Cultural, military and political structures, schools, press and printing in Bulgarian appeared and flourished north of the Danube under the protection of the Romanian authorities. The present approach proposes an analysis of these developments and the impact they had on the Bulgarian national renaissance and the relations between the two states.*

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