

THE APPLICATION OF THE MARXIST MODEL OF HISTORICAL INTERPRETATION: A COMPARISON BETWEEN THE GERMAN AND ROMANIAN CASES (1949-1956)¹

Mihaela DENIZE

Abstract: At the end of the Second World War, the countries of Eastern Europe have experienced radical changes in the political regime, which had repercussions in the field of historiography. The purpose of this study is to highlight how the Marxist interpretation of history was applied in communist Romania and in the GDR. The research explores the major differences between the two Marxist historiographies together with the reasons for these differences.

Keywords: Marxist historiography, Mihail Roller, Alfred Meusel, denazification, delatinization

¹ Research funded by the "MINERVA - Cooperation for an elitecareer in doctoral and postdoctoral research" project, contract code POSDRU/159/1.5/S/137832, cofinanced from the European Social Fund through the Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development 2007-2013.