

**Elena Bacaloglu (1878-1947) and the Italo-Romanian idea.
A Story of Fascism, Antisemitism, and Misogynistic sabotage
(Abstract)**

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Elena Bacaloglu was a not untalented Romanian writer who, after two divorces, went to Italy, where she became entangled with Italian nationalism and fascism. Supported by Mussolini before his arrival to power and founder of Italo-Romanian fascist groups, she was later discarded by the Fascist government. She unsuccessfully tried to establish a fascist movement in Romania, not only lacking diplomatic tact, but also practical means, as she was a woman and hence deprived of political rights. Bacaloglu's fascism was mainly based on the idea of an Italo-Romanian alliance and on antisemitism. Due to conflicts with an Italian editor and members of the Romanian diplomacy, her antisemitism would become more and more virulent over the years.

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