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Simona Vasilache comes from Romania, where she graduated from the Politehnica University of Bucharest, Faculty of Automatic Control and Computer Science. She obtained her PhD in engineering at the University of Tsukuba in Japan, where she has been teaching for the past 14 years.

Simona's research interests include global software engineering, computer literacy and engineering education, as well as cross-cultural communication. She is fascinated by how students from different cultures approach learning in different ways. Furthermore, she is keen on understanding how teaching and class modalities have changed in the past few years.

Her biggest passion is teaching and her biggest love are students. At the University of Tsukuba in Japan she is lucky enough to teach students from a multitude of cultures. Moreover, she has the privilege of teaching social sciences students, as well as engineering students. Her courses are varied, from computer literacy and introductory programming classes, to software engineering and computer ethics courses.

Currently, she is working on finding new ways to bridge the cultural differences in the classroom, particularly in engineering education.

After contributing to a few IARIA conferences, Simona is now a steering committee member for the ICSEA and SOFTENG conferences. She plans on participating and contributing to many more IARIA conferences in the future.