

THE EMERGENCE OF A NEW PERI-URBAN PATTERN IN ROMANIA

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The phenomenon we are going to refer to in this study is peri-urbanization in residential purposes in Romania today. In fact, the consequences of this process is a new peri-urban pattern which has, in its centre, social actors who are far from being the poorest people in the town; on the contrary, they belong to the high and the middle class. Most inhabitants of peri-urban territories enjoy the benefits of a double residence, since they have kept their old residence from the urban perimeter, driven by the need to be close enough to the work place, or because of the learning centres where their children study, or due to representative cultural landmarks, such as cinemas, theatres and so forth. The present article describes the sociological profile of nowadays peri-urban area.