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Heureux qui, comme Ulysse... Constantin George Sandulescu: Welcome Back.

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Heureux qui, comme Ulysse... is, first and foremost, an Heureux anniversaire wish. The MA Programme for the Translation of the Contemporary Literary Text and the Contemporary Literature Press (both under Bucharest University), together with the Editor – who takes full responsibility for this initiative – wish Professor George Sandulescu Happy Birthday, 11 February 2011.

George Sandulescu has lived, worked, and conducted research and teaching in major institutions in Romania, Sweden, Great Britain, the United States and Italy. After the death in 1982 of Princess Grace of Monaco, he substantially assisted in founding the Monaco Library bearing her name, and organised important International Conferences there devoted to James Joyce (1985 and 1990), William Butler Yeats (1987), Samuel Beckett (1991), and Oscar Wilde (1993).

Heureux qui, comme Ulysse... is the best way of thanking George Sandulescu for making Contemporary Literature Press what it is today. It opens with a recent interview with George Sandulescu, "I Never Left Rumania! Rumania had left me!" The interview is followed by images of the critic as colleagues, friends and former students see him: Nadia Lacoste (founder and Director of the Palace Press Office in Monaco for fifty years, and Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur), Geta Dumitriu, Florica Băncilă, Domnica Şerban, Irina Panovf, Ioana Ieronim, Monica Bottez, Mircea Mavriki. Present students of the English Department, who know the critic from his books, are also included with brief reading remarks. The selection from interviews granted by the critic over the years shed further light on his life and work. The last part includes chapters from George Sandulescu's online books. Heureux qui, comme Ulysse... is a book meant to welcome back Professor Sandulescu to a Department where he will always belong. It is available for consultation and downloading as from 11 March 2011 on the following internet address:

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