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Governor Anca Dragu at the "Movers & Shakers" 2026 Gala: on trust, resilience and institutions that build the future

The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Ms Anca Dragu, attended the "Movers & Shakers" 2026 Gala, an event dedicated to individuals who, through vision, action and integrity, are driving meaningful change in their respective fields.

Held at the National Museum of Art of Romania, the event brought together leaders from the fields of economics, public administration, business, culture, media, medicine, defence and security, providing a platform for dialogue and recognition of the individuals and institutions whose vision, decisions and tangible projects contribute to the development of society.

The Gala also marked the official launch of the “Movers & Shakers” 2026 yearbook, which features a contribution by the NBM Governor entitled “National Bank of Moldova: thirty-five years of resilience”. The article marks the 35th anniversary of the National Bank of Moldova and reflects on how institutions earn credibility over time—through accountable decision-making, consistent reforms and the ability to remain steadfast during challenging periods.

"Credibility is not declared. It is demonstrated through decisions taken under pressure, through transparent communication with the markets and the public, and through the ability to stand firm precisely when doing so is both the most difficult and the most necessary," emphasised Ms Anca Dragu.

In her article, Ms Dragu traces the National Bank of Moldova's journey from its early years, following the Republic of Moldova's independence and the introduction of the Moldovan leu, to its current stage of development, characterised by a stronger banking sector, modernised payment infrastructure and increasingly close alignment with European standards.

A central message of the article is that stability is built through institutional discipline, prudent supervision and transparent communication. In this context, it highlights the transformation of the Republic of Moldova's banking sector into one that is robust, well-capitalised and increasingly integrated into the European financial landscape.

The article also refers to projects with a direct impact on citizens and the business community, including the Republic of Moldova's accession to SEPA and the development of the national instant payment system MIA—initiatives that reduce costs, simplify payments and bring the country closer to the European financial infrastructure.

The "Movers & Shakers" 2026 Gala is organised by the MediaUno Press Group, the Department for Sustainable Development, the National Institute of Statistics and the MediaUno Association. It is the 38th event in the "Together We Protect Romania" series. During the Gala, a jury presents excellence awards to leaders who are making a real difference in their fields and inspiring others through their performance and integrity.

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