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## The Governor of the NBM held a meeting with the Head of the EBRD office in Moldova, Catarina Bjorlin Hansen

The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova (NBM), Anca Dragu, met with the Head of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) office in Moldova, Catarina Bjorlin Hansen.

Discussions focused on the cooperation framework of the Republic of Moldova with the EBRD, the ongoing technical assistance projects benefiting the NBM, as well as the situation of the banking and non-banking financial sector in our country.

The two officials also discussed the priorities of the Country Strategy for the Republic of Moldova for the period 2023-2028, approved by the EBRD Board of Directors. These include a more competitive, inclusive and resilient private sector, improving governance and business environment, increasing the resilience of the financial sector.

Investment and reforms are key elements in the EU accession process and in this context, Anca Dragu stressed the crucial importance of the partnership with the EBRD in supporting reforms and sustaining the private sector. EBRD investments are intended to catalyse other significant private investments with natural observance of governance rules.

The Governor of the NBM referred, against this background, to the importance of continuing the strategic dialogue with development partners in order to strengthen the resilience of the financial sector, including by harmonising internal regulations with EU standards.

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