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National Bank of Moldova open to the public: over 1300 visitors at the European Night of Museums

The National Bank of Moldova (NBM) welcomed more than 1300 visitors during the international event "European Night of Museums", in which the institution participated for the third consecutive year.

Throughout the evening, visitors had the opportunity to explore the monetary heritage of the Republic of Moldova, the history of the Moldovan leu, and the role of the central bank in ensuring financial stability. Guests spoke with NBM specialists and learned how Moldovan leu banknotes are designed and protected, the technologies underpinning their security, and the features used to verify the authenticity of banknotes.

One of the main attractions of the event was a gold bar weighing more than 12 kg, valued at over MDL 30 million, which was presented to the public during organised tours of the NBM headquarters. Visitors were also able to admire commemorative and jubilee coins, rare monetary issues, archival materials, and other exhibits reflecting the evolution of the national monetary system.

"The public's strong interest once again confirms the importance of an open dialogue between the central bank and citizens. The Moldovan leu forms part of our economic history, our national identity, and the trust upon which financial stability is built. Through events such as this, we bring the work of the National Bank closer to people and explain, in an accessible way, the role of money, the importance of protecting it, and the need for a responsible relationship with the financial world. We are delighted to see children, young people, and families discovering this world in an interactive, educational, and welcoming environment," emphasised Ms Anca Dragu, Governor of the National Bank of Moldova.

The event offered participants the opportunity to view the national currency through the lens of its cultural, educational, and historical value, while also gaining a better understanding of the work behind every banknote and the institution's responsibility in safeguarding confidence in the Moldovan leu.

The National Bank of Moldova thanks all visitors who took part in the event and reaffirms its commitment to continuing to promote financial education and institutional openness through activities accessible to the wider public.

Now in its 22nd edition, the "European Night of Museums" is organised under the patronage of UNESCO, the Council of Europe, and the International Council of Museums, promoting free access to culture and bringing the public closer to the heritage of cultural, educational, and public institutions around the world.

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