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NBM Governor Anca Dragu met with the Minister of Investments and European Projects of Romania

On 16 July 2025, at the NBM headquarters, the Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Anca Dragu, met with the Minister of Investments and European Projects of Romania, Dragoș-Nicolae Pîslaru.

The dialogue focused on the central bank's contribution to Moldova's accession to the European Union by strengthening financial stability, modernizing banking infrastructure, and harmonizing legislation with European Union standards.

The meeting reaffirmed the continued support of the Ministry of Investments and European Projects and Minister Dragoș-Nicolae Pîslaru for advancing the European agenda of the Republic of Moldova and for strengthening bilateral cooperation in the fields of investment and institutional development.

In this context, Ms. Anca Dragu highlighted the progress made in developing the financial system through the implementation of international supervisory and regulatory standards, as well as efforts to digitize financial services and develop payment infrastructure.

The Governor of the NBM mentioned the remarkable results related to the Republic of Moldova's integration into the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA), which will facilitate fast and low-cost transfers between Moldova and the respective area. Additionally, the success of the national instant payment system MIA was noted, which demonstrates the progress made in transforming financial services, providing citizens with a modern payment system that meets their needs.

"These achievements reflect a firm commitment to supporting our country's European path. Through the structural reforms we are implementing and the continuous development of the financial and banking system, we are contributing to the creation of a stable economic environment and a resilient financial system, aligned with European standards," said Ms. Anca Dragu.

The dialogue between the two officials also focused on strengthening institutional capacities, which are a key pillar in the process of effectively absorbing European funds, ensuring their redirection towards investment projects with real potential for economic growth and improvement of citizens' quality of life. "The domestic banking system, already aligned with European standards through reforms carried out over the past year, provides a solid and secure framework for investors, supporting sustainable development and the economic integration of the Republic of Moldova into the European area," added Ms. Anca Dragu.

At the same time, the Governor of the NBM highlighted the importance of extensive interinstitutional dialogue between the National Bank of Moldova and the National Bank of Romania in adapting the banking sector to the European framework.

The meeting confirmed the commitment of both parties to intensify bilateral cooperation, with Romania being a reliable strategic partner in supporting the European path of the Republic of Moldova.

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