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NBM Governor in Washington: Moldova advances with reforms dedicated to economic growth, transparency, and European integration

The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Ms. Anca Dragu, participated in the presentation of the "Regional Economic Outlook" report — an event dedicated to analysing the economic prospects and common challenges of Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Europe, organised as part of the Annual Meetings of the World Bank Group (WBG) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in Washington.

The event, led by Alfred Kammer, Director of the IMF's European Department, brought together central bank governors and finance ministers from the region to discuss economic challenges, with a focus on maintaining financial stability, managing inflationary pressures, and accelerating structural reforms.

In her speech, Ms. Anca Dragu highlighted Moldova's progress in modernising its financial framework, strengthening macroeconomic stability, and integrating into the European market for payments and financial services.

"The year 2025 was a test of resilience for the economies of the region. Faced with a volatile global context, the Republic of Moldova managed to maintain financial stability, reduce inflation, and continue the reforms necessary for integration into the European market. The independence of the central bank remains the foundation of credibility of monetary policy, and financial stability is a fundamental condition for economic growth," emphasised Ms. Anca Dragu.

Referring to Moldova's European agenda, the Governor noted that the country's accession to the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA) and the alignment of the financial supervisory framework with European Union standards confirm the irreversible direction of reforms.

"European integration is the driving force behind Moldova's economic transformation. Through stability, transparency, and digitalisation, we are strengthening the country's position in the region and building a competitive and inclusive economy focused on citizens and the business environment," said the NBM Governor.

Discussions at the event addressed regional macroeconomic challenges, medium-term growth prospects, and the coordination of monetary and fiscal policies in the current global context, with a particular focus on structural reforms and the adaptation of economies to the digital and green transitions.

The Regional Economic Outlook is a report published periodically by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) that analyses the economic situation and short- and medium-term prospects for different regions around the world. The presentation of the results of this report by the IMF's European Department, during the IMF and WBG Annual Meetings, provides central bank governors and finance ministers from Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Europe with a forum for dialogue on regional macroeconomic outlooks, monetary and fiscal policy challenges, and best practices for strengthening financial stability and regional cooperation.

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