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# The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Ms Anca Dragu, awards participants of the “School of Modern Finance”, 2025 Editions

The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Ms Anca Dragu, met with participants of the “School of Modern Finance” programme, organised in collaboration with the National Bank of Romania (NBR) and the Bucharest University of Economic Studies (ASE). The programme is aimed at students from the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova (ASEM), students from the Faculty of Journalism and Communication Sciences at Moldova State University (USM), as well as economic journalists.

The discussion with young people, focusing on learning opportunities and the programme’s practical value, included a certificate presentation ceremony for participants who had organised financial education activities and contributed to enhancing public understanding of economic realities.

As a result of the programme, ASEM students and master's degree students delivered lectures on economic topics in an accessible and interactive manner for school pupils, young people, pensioners, and other residents of rural areas. Participants from USM, employed in editorial teams, produced explanatory journalistic materials on economic issues of public interest.

The NBM Governor congratulated the young people on their initiative and thanked them for their involvement in financial education activities and public awareness efforts, which support informed financial decision-making.

“The experience you have gained in your communities demonstrates that this programme has achieved its goals, and I encourage you to continue being advocates for financial education. A community that understands how the economy works is stronger and better equipped to build its European future. At the National Bank, we support you in this endeavour and firmly believe in young people’s potential to turn knowledge into action and actively contribute to developing a solid financial culture,” emphasised the Governor of the central bank.

Ms Anca Dragu highlighted that the “School of Modern Finance” programme provides young people with solid financial knowledge while also fostering a sense of responsibility towards others, turning this learning experience into an investment in their own personal development.

In dialogue with the Governor of the National Bank, the young participants had the opportunity to share their own experiences in financial education, emphasising the importance of community discussions and the dissemination of information that develops critical thinking and understanding of economic realities.

Certificates presented to participants of the “School of Modern Finance” bear the signatures of the Governors of the NBM and NBR, as well as the Rectors of ASE Bucharest and ASEM Chisinau.

The programme was launched in 2023 with the support of the National Bank of Romania and combines theoretical and practical training in the financial-banking sector with cultural activities and thematic visits. This allows participants to explore both the mechanisms of the economy and the role of a central bank within the European Union, as well as Romania’s historical and cultural heritage.

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