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#### HISTORIC EUROREGION SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU

Cross-border cooperation within the European Union and the candidate countries has gradually evolved from addressing common issues and socio-cultural cooperation to the development

of joint strategies to exploit the common potential. Subsequently, cooperation has been developed at project level to cover the preparation and implementation of EU programs supporting cross-border cooperation in the Member States.

The European Union's regulations and guidelines have imposed a necessary structure for the development of cross-border programs and for the management of the implementation of these programs.

The legislative framework for carrying out cross-border cooperation actions by Romanian authorities and local communities is ensured by Government Emergency Ordinance (OUG) no. 120/1998 for the ratification by Romania of the European Framework Convention on Cross-Border Cooperation of Communities or Authorities Adopted in Madrid on May 21, 1980. Romania is a party to the European Charter of Local Self-Government, adopted in Strasbourg on 15 October 1985 and ratified by Law 199/1997.

In accordance with the provisions of the Madrid Convention, cross-border cooperation aims at strengthening and developing neighborhood relations between municipalities or territorial authorities that depend on two or more Contracting Parties as well as the conclusion of agreements and understandings useful for this purpose.

The Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion is a permanent structure with its own identity. It was established on 18 September 2002 to facilitate cooperation between three counties in ROMANIA (IAȘI, NEAMȚ AND VASLUI) and initially three counties in the REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA (UNGHENI, LAPUȘNA AND CHISINAU), on 4 December 2002 The same year joined the counties ORHEI and SOROCA (REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA). Thus, the signing of the Cross -border Cooperation Protocol of the Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion was held in Iasi on 18 September 2002, while the Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion Statute was adopted at the first Euroregion Presidents' Forum on 4 December 2002 in Ungheni, Republic of Moldova.

As a result of the administrative-territorial reorganization in 2003, the Republic of Moldova resulted in 18 member raions of the Euroregion: Anenii Noi, Basarabeasca, Calarasi, Cimislia, Criuleni, Dubasari, Floresti, Hancesti, Ialoveni, Leova, Nisporeni, Orhei, Straseni, Soldanesti, Telenesti and Ungheni.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

**FORUM OF PRESIDENTS** – "The Council of Legal Representatives of the administrative territorial units - the Forum of Presidents - consists of the Presidents of the administrative territorial units of the counties and districts of the Euroregion ..." (Article 2 of the Statute of the Euroregion) "The Presidents' Forum adopts its resolutions and decisions by open vote. Resolutions and decisions are adopted by consensus of the participants with the right to vote "(Article 5 of the Statute of the Euroregion)

#### **Working methods of Siret – Prut – Nistru Euroregion:**

- development and cooperation does not require measures based on individual cases;





- it is constituted the solid base for initiating, maintaining and developing cross-border relations: citizens, institutions, politicians, social partners, etc.
- implementation of cross-border decisions at national level, in accordance with procedures applicable on both sides of the border (avoiding conflicts of competencies and structural capacities);
- cooperarea se face pe plan orizontal, în afara graniței și în plan vertical (european, guvernamental, regional și local).
- the cooperation is done horizontally, across borders and in vertical (European, governmental, regional and local).

#### **Activities carried out within the euroregion:**

- the annual organization of conferences, symposiums, international and scientific meetings on cross-border cooperation issues;
- exchange of experience in the administrative area, cultural, socio economic, etc.;
- identifying and preparing the steps for the joint projects of the euroregion;
- numerous actions in the cultural and scientific field;
- building partnerships in the metropolitan development.

The Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion enjoys the logistical support of the first Euroregion established in the European Union in 1952, EUREGIO.

#### HISTORIC ASSOCIATION EUROREGION SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU

By Government Ordinance no. 120/1998 for the ratification by Romania of the European Framework Convention on Cross-border Cooperation of Local Authorities or Authorities, adopted in Madrid on May 21, 1980, with subsequent amendments and amendments, mentions the activities of Euroregions without the legislator establishing their capacity to be a holder Rights and obligations of national or international character. In order to benefit from all these rights and obligations and to access various funds, the Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion found the way to acquire legal personality by setting up an association.

In May 2005, the Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion with the support of the Iasi County Council established the "Siret - Prut - Nistru Euroregion" Association, through which it has the possibility to manage its own funds. An important objective of the association is the absorption of funds for the implementation of cross-border projects.

In May 2005, the Association reunited as the founding members, the 20 members of the Euroregion: Iasi County, Vaslui County, Romania, Anenii Noi District, Basarabeasca District, Calarasi District, Cimislia District, Criuleni District, Dubasari District, Floresti District, Hancesti District, Ialoveni district, Leova district, Nisporeni district, Orhei rayon, Rezina rayon, Soroca rayon, Straseni district, Soldanesti rayon, Telenesti district, Ungheni district, Republic of Moldova.

On September 1, 2015 the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion and the Association "Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru" gather 25 districts from 32 of the Republic of Moldova, Balti Municipality, Gagauzia Autonomous Territorial Unit and 3 counties in Romania (IAȘI and PRAHOVA).





#### **MEMBERS**

#### IAŞI COUNTY (RO)

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President mr. Cristian-Mihai

**ADOMNIȚEI** 

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Represented by Vaslui County Council

President mr. Dumitru BUZATU

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Represented by Bălţi City Hall President mr. Renato USATÂI

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Represented by the Executive Committee of Găgăuzia

Governor Irina VLAH





President mr.Ion LEUCĂ

#### **MAJORE REFERENCES**

The Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association brings together **25 districts** of the 32 of **Republic of Moldova**, the **Balti Municipality**, the Autonomous Territorial Unit of **Gagauzia and two counties in Romania (IAȘI and PRAHOVA)**. It was established in 2005 as a Romanian legal person, based in Iași.

Based on good relations established in Ukraine in November 2012, the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion has signed a cooperation agreement with the Nistru Euroregion, which includes the Vinitsa region (Ukraine) and 7 districts on the northern and northeastern border Of the Republic of Moldova.

The mission of the association is part of the European Union's Convergence Objective, specifying that it is aimed at a cross-border level (with three local governments in the European Union and 26 local governments outside the European Union.

Mission of the association

Extending and improving the relations between local communities and authorities in the economic, cultural, scientific and civic fields, in order to ensure the sustainable and balanced territorial development of the Euroregion.

Respect, protect and guarantee the rights and interests of the administrative-territorial units belonging to the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.

Mr. Cristian-Mihai ADOMNIŢEI, President of the Iasi County

The association's activities and projects cover areas of interest from economy, infrastructure, environmental protection, tourism, agriculture and rural development, human resources development and social services to education, information society and culture, in line with the development strategies of the local administrations.

#### THE GOVERNING STRUCTURE

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Mr. Sergiu ARTENE, President of Călărași District Council

DIRECTORY

Mr. Mircea COSMA, President of Prahova Council County

Mr. Anatolie DIMITRIU, President of Ialoveni District Council

Mr. Mihai MÎŢU, President of Soroca District Council

Mrs. Ludmila GUZUN, President of Ungheni District Council

Mr. Grigore POLICINSCHI, President of Dubăsari District Council

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**PRESIDENT** 

Mr. Tudor-Dumitru JIJIE





#### **ACTIVITY REPORT 2015**

#### PERMANENT PROJECTS

### FORUM OF PRESIDENTS OF SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU EUROREGION - COMRAT (UTA GĂGĂUZIA, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA)

Date: March 10, 2015, Comrat, Republica Moldova

In Comrat, the capital of the Autonomous Region of Gagauzia in the Republic of Moldova, took place the Forum of Presidents of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion (ESPN).

The most important decision that has been made is the organization of the Economic Forum of the Euroregion, which this year will reach its third edition. It was decided at the Ordinary General Assembly that this Forum be held at the new Exhibition Center in Ialoveni district, using the infrastructure of Chisinau Municipality.

This forum was attended by Paul Butnariu, President of the Iasi Chamber of Commerce, and Ciprian Cretu, Director & Station Manager, Impact FM and Viva FM. The two had dedicated programs consisting of meetings with business and media counterparts.















### FORUM OF THE PRESIDENTS OF SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU EUROREGION - IAŞI, ROMANIA

Date: November 11, 2015, Comrat, Republica Moldova

In Iasi, the Forum of Presidents of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion (ESPN) and the General Assembly of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association..

Several important decisions were made at this meeting, including the support of Iasi by the presidents of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, before any city in Romania, for the European Capital of Culture in 2021 and the establishment of the calendar of activities for 2016.









#### **PUNCTUAL PROJECTS**

#### DOCUMENTARY FILMS CARAVAN IAŞI-CERNĂUŢI-CHIŞINĂU

**Date:** January 25-28, 2015

Organizers: TVR Iași

**Partners**: OWH Studio, Moldova 1 TV Station, Bucovina Art Center in Cernăuți, Iași County Council, Suceava County Council, Botoșani County Council and Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.

"The Caravan of Documentary Films Iasi-Cernuuti-Chisinau", is a project of TVR Iasi, and has also reached Moldova. The project debuted at the TV anniversary in Iasi in November 2014, continued in Chernivtsi and ended in Chisinau.







### CĂLĂRAȘI DISTRICT AND PRAHOVA COUNTY - THE FIRST BACKGROUND FROM 2015

Date: February 19, 2015, Călărași, Republica Moldova

Organizers: Călărași District Council, Republica Moldova

Prahova County and Calarasi District, members of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, signed a collaboration agreement on February 19 in Calarasi, Republic of Moldova.

The agreement is the first signed in the context of the entry into force of the Government Decision 1120/1030/2014 for the approval of the financing procedure provided for in art. 351 of the Law no. 273/2006 on local public finances. This allows the Romanian counties to financially support projects of the districts of the Republic of Moldova on the basis of the twinning agreement.

The collaboration agreement was voted concurrently by the councilors of the Cassarasi rayon and the Prahova county, at a joint meeting, in the presence of the executive management of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.







## THE ECONOMIC DIRECTOR OF UTA GAGUZIA - THE FIRST VISIT IN IAȘI AFTER ACCEPTATION OF UTA GĂGĂUZIA IN SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU EUROREGION

Date: February 24 - 25, 2015, Iași, România

Organizers: Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

Vitalie CHIURCCIU, Director of the Directorate for Economic Development, Trade and Services of ATU Gagauzia, was on a two-day visit to Iasi. The program prepared by the executive team of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion included meetings with the representatives of the Iasi County Council, business and university environment:

- ✓ At the meeting with the President of the Iasi County Council and the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, Dr. Cristian Mihai ADOMNIŢI, held talks on future projects, the first being the Euroregion Forum on 10 March, hosted at Comrat;
- ✓ The Department of Projects of the County Council of Iasi presented the major projects and assets of Iasi County, from which the Region of Gagauzia;







- ✓ Rector of "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University, prof. Vasile IŞAN received the message sent by the Rector of the State University of Comrat and expressed the wish to sign a cooperation agreement between the two institutions;
- ✓ The meeting with the President of the Chamber of Commerce, Paul BUTNARIU, was dedicated to presenting the economic profile of the Gagauzia Region and its prospects for development;
- ✓ Vitalie CHIURCCIU met representatives of NGOs involved in cross-border projects, was also received by the executive management of the Tehnopolis Science and Technology Park, visited the Moldova Exhibition Center and the headquarters of Apa Vital Iasi;

The program included two interviews at TVR Iasi and Impact FM in tandem with the Executive Director of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.



ATU Gagauzia joined the Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru in December 2014 and is looking for partnerships and financing solutions in the context of the Republic of Moldova's association with the European Union.



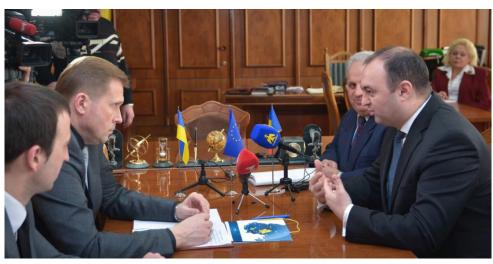


#### VISIT TO IVANO-FRANKIVSK, UKRAINE 25-26 MARCH 2015

Days: March 25-26, 2015, Ivano-Frankivsk, Ucraina

Organizers: Ivano-Frankivsk State Regional Administration, Ukraine

There have been a series of meetings with Mr. Ivan Oleg Goncharuk, Governor of the Ivano-Frankivsk Administration, Ivano-Frankivsk State Council, and with the head of the State Administration of the Kolomyia District, Liubomyr Hlushkov. These visits came from the invitation received from the Ivano-Frankivsk Regional State Administration as a sign of recognition of the activity we are pursuing at the County Council and the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion in support of Ukraine's European path. A concrete proposal was made to give Ivano-Frankivsk the opportunity to prepare in the Northeast Region of Romania the specialists on European funds of Ukraine of tomorrow.









### THE DAYS OF BALTI MUNICIPALITY - HRAMUL SF. NICOLAE 21-23 MORE FESTIVAL AND MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL HERE AND NOW

Date: May 21-23, 2015, Municipiul Bălți

Organizers: City Hall of Balti, Republic of Moldova

Objective: To support the public administration of the Republic of Moldova in carrying out its activities and to promote the European values in the European.

The Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion has been a facilitator of Norwegian funding based on which the Multicultural Festival has been organized here and now within the project "Celebrating Multiculturalism - Here and Now", which included a suite of activities to promote European values.









### THE INAUGURATION OF IRINA VLAH, THE NEW GUVERNATOR OF UTA GĂGĂUZIA

Date: April 15, 2015, Comrat, UTA Găgăuzia, Republic of Moldova

**Objective:** the investiture of Irina VLAH, the new governor (bashkan) of the ATU Gagauzia, who will hold the office of Bashkan of Gagauzia for a period of four years and will be appointed ex officio as a member of the government in Chisinau.

The ceremony took place during a special meeting of the People's Assembly (local legislature), followed by another ceremony in the center of Comrat, the capital of Gagauz autonomy.

The event was attended by Parliament Speaker Andrian Candu and Prime Minister Chiril Gaburici, but also dignitaries and state officials, deputies, ambassadors of the EU, Russian Federation and Turkey, high church faces.









### EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES - CRACOVIA, POLAND, 4-5 MAY 2015

Date: May 4-5, 2015, Cracovia, Polonia

**Organizers:** Institute of Eastern Studies of VARŞOVIA

This event brought together more than 800 representatives of local and regional authorities, as well as representatives of the Committee of the Regions and the Council of Europe. The Institute of Eastern Studies in Warsaw organized in May 4-5 in Krakow, Poland, the most important Congress of Local Authorities in Europe. This event brought together more than 800 representatives of local and regional authorities as well as representatives of the Committee of the Regions and the Council of Europe..



The Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion was represented at this congress with panel communications by the President of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, Cristian Mihai ADOMNIŢEI, Glodeni District President, Valeriu ŢARIGRADSCHI, President of the





Ialoveni District, Lilian POPESCU, and Executive Director of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association, Dumitru-Tudor JIJIE.



On the second day of the European Congress of Local Authorities, the Iasi County Council, as a partner, organized a Discussion Panel called "Challenges of Cross-border Cooperation on the Eastern Border of the EU: Common Opportunities, Strong Partnerships and Shared Threats". The theme raised a particular interest from participants from Ukraine, Moldova and Poland. Arkadius MULARCZYK, Member of the Polish Parliament, Tadeusz SLAWECKI, State Secretary at the Ministry of Education of Poland, Ruslan SENCHUK, Deputy Head of Chernivtsi Regional Administration, Lilian POPESCU, Ialoveni District President and Sergei TATUSIAK, President of the Nistru Euroregion, . They all underlined that administrative reform in Ukraine and Moldova is vital for state efficiency and economic growth, and the support from the European Union, Poland and Romania on this issue is of great help. Cristian Adomniței, President of the Siret Prut Nistru Euroregion, presented her work as an example of good practices, cooperation and dialogue in our region.









The European model is a model of modernization, not a geopolitical choice against someone. Modernization and Europeanization are civilization choices. The European Union is practically the only concrete, real option for citizens of the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine, the firm conclusion of the panel.





#### UNIVERSITATEA POPULARĂ DE VARĂ "CONSTANTIN STERE"

Date: May 30 – June 1, 2015, Soroca, Chişinău, Republica Moldova

Organizers: Romanian Cultural Institute "M.Eminescu" in Chisinau, Siret-Prut-Nist

Euroregion Association, "Constantin Stere" Foundation

The "Constantin Stere" Summer People University took place in Soroca. The theme of the meeting, attended by pedagogues, librarians, museums from Moldova and Romania, was the life and work of the prose writer, journalist, politician Constantin Stere, who has been celebrating 150 years of his birth.

The second edition of the Summer People's University coincided with the reopening of the House - "Constantin Stere" Museum in Ciripcău, where the great writer and politician was born 150 years ago.

Representatives of local and academic public institutions from the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Romania participated in this activity.









#### DONATION OF BOOK LOT TO IALOVENI DISTRICT

Date: June 11 iunie, 2015, UNGHENI, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Organizers: Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

The Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association organized on June 11 the donation of a book lot, which included 3720 copies of books, notebooks and auxiliary didactic materials, to the Ialoveni Rayon Council, Republic of Moldova. The book was received from the Priest Mihai Eduard DOROŞINCĂ, the Blessed Virgin Parish Stephen the Great and Saint Iaşi. The book will be donated to the gymnasium school of Gangura in Ialoveni district.

The event was attended by representatives of the Ialoveni rayon: the district councilor, Lilian POPESCU, the Ialovenian Protopop, the Metropolitan Priest Anatolie ŞTEFANOV, the head of the Education Department, Ion BUSUIOC, and the District Council Secretary Nicolae MEREACRE and the representative of Iaşi County, the councilor of the International Relations Department of the Council County, Sanda BITERE.









### VISIT OF STUDY BIOGRAPHIC TEACHERS FROM THE UNGHENI RAY, THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Date: June 17, 2015, Iași, România

**Organizers:** Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

A group of 20 biologists from secondary and lower secondary schools in the Ungheni District, including the Head of the Ungheni Education Department, Grigore Vasile, paid a study visit to Ion Ionescu University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine from Brad "and" Alexandru Ioan Cuza "University. This visit was organized by the Association "Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion" together with the two universities.

At the University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine "Ion Ionescu de la Brad" were welcomed by Marilena ŞCHIOPU, Department of Promotion and Imagination, and Dr. Mihai STANCIU, Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture. Aula Magna "Haralamb Vasiliu", the largest 3D hall in Southeast Europe, where a virtual tour of this university was viewed, was discussed and the possibility of developing cross-border educational interinstitutional collaboration was discussed. Then, the Emergency Training Laboratory, the University Library (the only university library complying with the European standards), the Phytopathology Laboratory and the Agricultural and Environmental Research Institute and the Vasile Adamachi Didactic Center were visited. The laboratories were equipped with European funds and the plantotron a research center for agriculture under directed climate conditions)











Alexandru Ioan Cuza University has been visited by Corps A, including the Missing Passes Hall, and B Corps, Faculty of Biology. PhD student Stefan STRUNGARU made a presentation of Body B, in particular of the Faculty of Biology. The laboratories of this faculty were visited, including the Laboratory of Molecular Genetics and Archeogenetics, the Aquatic Ecotoxicology Laboratory, the General Chemistry and Biochemistry Laboratory and the CERNESIM laboratories, with European funds...









The last part of the study visit program consisted in visiting the "Anastasie Fătu" Botanical Garden. Here they were welcomed by Professor Catalin TĂNASE, Director of the "Anastasie Fătu" Botanical Garden and Prorector of the "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University. Camelia IFRIM, senior scientific and biologist PhD, presented the greenhouses and section "Rosarium".



The end of the program concluded with the wish of the teachers from Ungheni district to initiate and concretize collaborative projects with the educational institutions visited and to mediate study visits of the pupils they are directing.







#### BRIDGES OVER PRUT, TWINNING MIROSLAVA – CĂRPINENI

Date: June 23, 2015, Miroslava, România

Organizers: Town Hall of Miroslava commune, Iasi county, Romania

On June 23, the collaboration protocol (twinning) between Miroslava, Iasi, Romania, and Carpineni, Hincesti, Republic of Moldova was signed. Dan NIŢĂ, Mayor of Miroslava commune, Ion CĂRPINEANU, Mayor of Carpineni commune, Eugen FURCULIŢĂ, Advisor to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova on European Projects and Investments and Dumitru-TUDOR JIJIE, Executive Director of the Association "Siret-Prut Euroregion" -Nistru ".

The objective of this collaboration is to identify common projects for rural, economic and social development. These communities have a few things in common, including combating poverty through economic development and encouraging entrepreneurship. There will also be a cultural and educational collaboration, Miroslava commune with the Agricultural High School where Moldovan pupils are already being formed. The European Union's financial instruments, through cross-border funds, represent an opportunity to be capitalized.







#### VISIT TO VINNITSA AT THE DAY OF UKRAINE INDEPENDENCE 20 - 22 AUGUST

Date: August 20-22, 2015, Vinnitsa, Ucraina

Organizers: The Vinnitsa Rayon Council and the State Administration of Vinnitsa, Ukraine

Between August 20 and 22, 2015, VINNITSA held a suite of events dedicated to the UK's INDEPENDENCE DAY.

This visit came after an invitation from the Nistru Euroregion, which has a partnership with the Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru.

At the official meeting with the authorities of Vinnitsa District Council and the State Administration of Vinnitsa was sent a message in which they were provided with support in the development of the projects and showed their intention to collaborate. At the Solemn Session of the Vinnitsa Rayon Council, a message was sent from the county of Iaşi and the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion through which they were assured of legitimacy throughout the Euroregion and were reassured for support in the European way and the implementation of the projects.





At the headquarters of the Nistru Euroregion, the strategic partners of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, there have been discussions on the current and future projects.



#### VISIT TO COMRAT, UTA GĂGĂUZIA - 29 AUGUST

Date: August 29, 2015, Comrat, UTA Găgăuzia, Republica Moldova

Organizers: Uta Găgăuzia, Republic of Moldova

On 29 August, a visit to Comrat, UTA Gagauzia, took place on common projects and events.

The delegation that carried out this visit had the following composition:

- Ludmila SFÎRLOAGĂ, President of the European Integration Commission PRAHOVA County Council
- Mircea Cosma, President of the Historical Cultural Society Mihai Viteazul;
- Tudor Jijie, Executive Director of Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association.

Delegația a fost întâmpinată de Vadim CEBAN, Vicebașcanul UTA Găgăuzia.







### STUDY VISIT: REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFRONTAL COOPERATION - 3-6 SEPTEMBER

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**Organizers:** Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

The Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion in partnership with the United Nations Development Program in the REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA (UNDP MOLDOVA) organized a study visit to IAŞI County from 3 to 6 September of a delegation from the REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA consisting of 17 persons (mayors, economic directors, vice-presidents of district, local facilitators and consultants of the Integrated Local Development Program) on the topic of regional development and cross-border cooperation in the context of European funding.





On September 3, the program included a suite of actions aimed at meeting the objectives of the study visit. Victorel Lupu, Vice President of the Iasi County Council, addressed a welcome message to the participants and informed about the achievements obtained by the public authorities in the county in the field of attracting investments, absorbing European funds for the socio-economic and cultural development of the county communities. Fulga Turcu, Deputy Chief Executive of the Department of Projects and Sustainable Development, presented the projects implemented and under implementation in Iasi County by accessing European funds, including cross-border ones. The projects covered various areas including: transport infrastructure (road, air), public health, tourism, etc. A working visit to the Regional Office for Cross Border Cooperation followed by Marin FOMOV, Project Implementation and Implementation Officer and Camelia STÎNGU, Economic Director, provided some information on the 2014-2020 Cross-Border Cooperation Program and responded to the questions of the participants the local public administration of the Republic of Moldova.









On September 4, the second day of the study visit of the local authorities in the Republic of Moldova in Miroslava commune, Iasi County, took place. The participants in this activity were welcomed by Dan NIŢĂ, Mayor of Miroslava commune, Vasile BULBASA, deputy mayor, and Ştefan SUSAI, counselor. Dan NIŢĂ was the guide of the local authorities in the Republic of Moldova in the municipality of Miroslava, presenting the main projects realized through the absorption of European funds (Sports Hall, Ciurbeşti photovoltaic power station, Tourist information center), then the Delphi plant, one of the most (1778 employees), the Sturdza Palace, which includes the Ethnographic Museum of Agriculture of Moldova and the Library of the "Mihail Kogalniceanu" Agricultural High School and Agralim Fair for Farmers, the largest agrarian event of Moldova.

Miroslava commune is one of the most important communes in Iasi County, being a successful model for rural development, attracting investors and raising the quality of life, implicit in living standards. At the end of the study visit in Miroslava, the perspective of the collaboration of the local authorities from the host community and the Republic of Moldova emerged through the initiation of joint projects with the same objectives.









On September 5, the third day of the study visit, the delegation made up of representatives of the local authorities in the Republic of Moldova was in Prisăcăni commune, the Dancu treatment plant and the Anastasie Fătu Botanical Garden.

The delegation was met in Prisăcăni commune by dr. Constantin CHIRILĂ, the mayor of the commune, at the "Nicolae" churches, declared a historical monument of the county of Iași. He presented the results as a result of accessing European funds: the Prisăcani village school, a modern sports base, the wastewater treatment plant. Also, European funds have been developed and rehabilitated road infrastructure, asphalting roads, and technical-municipalities, by connecting homes to running water and sewage in the villages of Moreni and Prisacani.

Constantin CHIRILĂ presented the opportunities for the community he manages (study visits with mayors from Germany, Great Britain, France, Belgium, study visits of pupils from Prisăcani villages and pupils from Belgium, etc.).

As a result of the visit from this commune, there was the opportunity to make intercultural exchanges between the children from Prisăcani and the localities of the Republic of Moldova and to carry out joint projects in various fields to support the communities of the participants.



At the Dancu treatment plant, the delegation was welcomed by Dr. Ion TOMA, General Director and Dr. Mihai DORUŞ, Technical Director. The Dancu wastewater treatment plant has been upgraded from European funds, being one of the largest in the country. The water management team presented the treatment plant and pumping station Chiriţa. It provided solutions to solve the problems faced by the mayoralities in the Republic of Moldova, indicated what problems to avoid when they would make purification stations and materialized the opportunity for Apa Vital to help the town halls of the Prut River in the connection of homes with drinking water.







# THE LAUNCH OF THE BOOK "DISCARDING EQUATIONS" - ACAD AUTHOR. VALERIU MATEI, DIRECTOR OF THE ROMANIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE MIHAI EMINESCU CHIŞINĂU

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On September 26, the book entitled "The Equations of Despair", written by Acad. Valeriu MATEI, Director of the Romanian Cultural Institute Mihai Eminescu CHISINAU, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA, was launched.

Several cultural personalities participated in this event, including Daniel CORBU, writer, Ioan HOLBAN, critic, Horia ZILIERU, poet, Valeriu STANCU, poet, prose writer, essayist and translator, Mihai-Eduard DOROŞINCĂ, Executive Director of the Solidarity and Hope ", Dumitru-Tudor JIJIE, Executive Director Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association and Cătălin JECKEL, Director of the Doxologia Publishing House, the event moderator.









