

Activity report Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru ~ 2016 ~

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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 (IASI, NEAMŢ AND VASLUI)** and initially three counties in the **REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA (UNGHENI, LAPUŞNA 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, Basarabasca, 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 administrativeterritorial units - the Forum of Presidents - consists of the Presidents of the administrativeterritorial 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 ;

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- 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, Basarabasca 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, Strasenii 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 **28 districts** from 32 of the **Republic of Moldova, Balti Municipality, Gagauzia Autonomous Territorial Unit and 3 counties in Romania (IASI and PRAHOVA)**

Euroregiunea Siret - Prut - Nistru

MEMBERS

IAȘI COUNTY (RO)

Represented by Iași County Council
President mr. Maricel POPA

PRAHOVA COUNTY (RO)

Represented by Prahova County Council
Vicepresident mrs. Ludmila SFÎRLOAGĂ

VASLUI COUNTY (RO)

Represented by Vaslui County Council
President mr. Dumitru BUZATU

BĂLȚI Municipality (MD)

Represented by Primăria Bălți
Mayor mr. Renato USATĂ

BRICENI District (MD)

Represented by Briceni County Council
President mr. Mihail GNATIUC

ANENII NOI District (MD)

Represented by Anenii Noi County Council
President mr. Alexandru BARBĂROȘIE

BASARABEASCA District (MD)

Represented by Basarabasca County Council
President mr. Piotr PUȘCARI

CĂLĂRAȘI District (MD)

Represented by Călărași County Council
President mr. Sergiu ARTENIE

CĂUȘENI District (MD)

Represented by Căușeni County Council
President mr. Ion CIONTOLOI

CIMIȘLIA District (MD)

Represented by Cimișlia County Council
President mr. Mihai OLĂRESCU

CRIULENI District (MD)

Represented by Criuleni County Council
President mr. Iurie ANDREUȚĂ

DONDUȘENI District (MD)

Represented by Dondușeni County Council
President mr. Victor CHIRIAC

DROCHIA District (MD)

Represented by Drochia County Council
President mr. Vasile GRĂDINARU

DUBĂSARI District (MD)

Represented by Dubăsari County Council
President mr. Grigore POLICINSCHI

EDINEȘ District (MD)

Represented by Edineș County Council
President mr. Iurii

FĂLEȘTI District (MD)

FLOREȘTI District (MD)

Represented by Florești County Council
President mr. Ștefan PANIȘ

GLODENI District (MD)

Represented by Glodeni County Council
President mr. Ion LEUCĂ

HÂNCEȘTI District (MD)

Represented by Hâncești County Council
President mr. Anatolie LOGHIN

IALOVENI District (MD)

Represented by Ialoveni County Council
President mr. Anatolie DIMITRIU

LEOVA District (MD)

Represented by Leova County Council
President mr. Ion GUDUMAC

NISPORENI District (MD)

Represented by Nisporeni County Council
President mr. Ghenadie VERDEȘ

ORHEI District (MD)

Represented by Orhei County Council
President mr. Ion ȘTEFÎRȚĂ

REZINA District (MD)

Represented by Rezina County Council
President ms. Eleonora GRAUR

RÎȘCANI District (MD)

Represented by Rîșcani County Council
President mr. Iurie URZICĂ

SÂNGEREI District (MD)

Represented by Sângerei County Council
President mr. Vasile MARANDUC

SOROCA District (MD)

Represented by Soroca County Council
President mr. Ghenadie MUNTEAN

STRĂȘENI District (MD)

Represented by Strășeni County Council
President mr. Mihai POPA

ȘOLDĂNEȘTI District (MD)

Represented by Șoldănești County Council
President ms. Svetlana ROTUNDU

ȘTEFAN VODĂ District (MD)

Represented by Ștefan Vodă County Council
President mr. Nicolae MOLOZEA

TELENEȘTI District (MD)

Represented by Telenești County Council
President mrs. Diana MANOLI

UNGHENI District (MD)

Represented by Ungheni County Council

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Represented by Făleşti County Council
President ms. Iraida BÎNZARI

President ms. Ludmila GUZUN
Autonomous Territorial Unit Găgăuzia
Represented by the Executive Committee Găgăuzia
Prim-Vicegovernor Vadim CEBAN

MAJOR LANDMARKS

The Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association brings together **28 districts** of the **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	<p>Extending and improving the relations between local communities and authorities in the economic, cultural, scientific and civic field, in order to ensure the sustainable and balanced territorial development of the Euroregion.</p> <p>Respect, protect and guarantee the rights and interests of the administrative-territorial units belonging to the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.</p>
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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

PRESIDENT	Mr. Maricel POPA, President of the Iasi County Council
VICEPRESIDENT OF STRATEGY AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT	Mr. Ion LEUCĂ, President of Glodeni District
VICEPRESIDENT OF PROJECTS	Mr. Ghenadie BUZA, President of Hincesti District
VICEPRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	Ms. Ludmila SFÎRLOAGĂ, Vice-President of the Prahova County Council
DIRECTOR COMMITTEE	Mr. Sergiu ARTENE, President of Calarasi District
	Mr. Mihail OLĂRESCU, President of Cimișlia District

Mr. Grigore POLICINSCHI, President of the Dubasari District

Ms. Ludmila GUZUN, President of the Ungheni District

Ms. Irina VLAH, Governor of the Autonomous Territorial Unit of Gagauzia

Mr. Dumitru - Tudor JIJIE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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PERMANENT PROJECTS

FORUM OF THE PRESIDENTS OF SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU - COȘNIȚA EUROREGION (DUBĂSARI, REPUBLICA MOLDOVA)

Date: April 15, 2016, Coșnița, Dubăsari district, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: Dubasari District Council and Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association

On 15 April, the Forum of Presidents of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion (ESPN) and the General Assembly of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association took place in the village of Coșnița, Dubăsari district, Republic of Moldova.

During this meeting the decisions necessary for the functioning of the Association and the program of activities for the following period were approved.



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THE FORUM OF THE PRESIDENTS OF SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU-PLOIEȘTI EUROREGION (PRAHOVA, ROMANIA)

Date: July 26, 2016, Ploiesti, Prahova County, Romania

Organizers: Prahova County Council and the **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion** Association

On July 26, the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion (ESPN) Presidents Forum and the General Assembly of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association in Prahova, Prahova County, Romania took place.

În cadrul acestei reuniuni s-au aprobat hotărârile necesare modificării statutului Asociației, au fost aleși Președintele și Vicepreședintele Euroregiunii și a fost ales Consiliul Director al Asociației. Astfel Președintele Euroregiunii Siret-Prut-Nistru și Asociației a fost ales **Maricel POPA**, Președinte Consiliul Județean Iași, Vicepreședinte Strategie și Dezvoltare Regională, **Ion LEUCĂ**, Președinte Raionului Glodeni, Vicepreședinte Proiecte, **Ghenadie BUZA**, Președinte Raionul Hîncești, Vicepreședinte Relații Internaționale, **Bogdan Andrei TOADER**, Președinte Consiliul Județean Prahova și membrii Consiliului Director: Raionul **CĂLĂRAȘI**, prin reprezentantul legal **Sergiu ARTENE**, Președinte, Raionul **CIMIȘLIA**, prin reprezentantul legal **Mihail OLĂRESCU**, Președinte, Raionul **DUBĂSARI**, prin reprezentantul legal **Grigore POLICINSCHI**, Președinte, Raionul **UNGHENI**, prin reprezentantul legal **Ludmila GUZUN**, Președinte, Unitatea Teritorial Autonomă **GĂGĂUZIA**, **Irina VLAH**, Guvernator.

During this meeting, the necessary decisions were made to amend the Statute of the Association, the President and Vice-President of the Euroregion were elected, and the Board of Directors of the Association was elected. The President of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion and the Association was elected **Maricel POPA**, President of the Iasi County Council, Vice President of Strategy and Regional Development, **Ion LEUCĂ**, President of Glodeni District, Vice President of Projects, **Ghenadie BUZA**, President of Hincesti District, Vice President of International Relations **Bogdan Andrei TOADER**, President of the Prahova County Council

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and the members of the Board of Directors: **CĂLĂRAȘI** district, through the legal representative **Sergiu ARTENE**, President, **CIMIȘLIA** District, through the legal representative **Mihail OLĂRESCU**, President, **DUBĂSARI** District, through the legal representative **Grigore POLICINSCHI**, **UNGHENI** District, through the legal representative **Ludmila GUZUN**, President, **GĂGĂUZIA** Autonomous Territorial Unit, **Irina VLAH**, Governor



INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE "SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF EUROREGIONS AND TRANSFRONTAL AREAS"

Date: November 25, 2016, Iasi, Romania

Organizers: Association **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion**, Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch - Gheorghe Zane Institute for Economic and Social Research and Alecu Russo State University, Balti - Republic of Moldova

On November 25 took place the International Scientific Conference "Sustainable Economic and Social Development of Euroregions and Cross-Border Areas", XIIth edition.

Participants:

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- Acad. Teodor DIMA - Director of the Institute of Economic and Social Research of the Romanian Academy;
- CS II Teodor PĂDURARU - Institute of Economic and Social Research of the Romanian Academy;
- Prof. Univ. Dr. Eugenia Maria PASCA - National University of Arts "George Enescu" Iasi;
- Associate Professor Tatiana BULARGA - State University "Alecu Russo", Balti, Republic of Moldova
- Ms. Maria - Simona CUCIUREANU - European Affairs Counselor Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru
- About 40 professors and doctoral students from **ROMANIA** and **REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA**.



FORUM OF PRESIDENTS OF SIRET-PRUT-NISTRU EUROREGION - LOZOVA (STRĂȘENI, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA)

Date: December 16, 2016, Lozova village, Strasen district, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: The Strasen District Council and the **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion** Association

On 16 December, the Forum of Presidents of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion (ESPN) and the General Assembly of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association took place in the village of Lozova, Strasen district, Republic of Moldova. New members from the Republic of Moldova (Briceni, Donduseni and Edinet districts) were welcomed and the calendar of activities for 2017 was established.

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PUNCTUAL PROJECTS

IAȘI COUNTY AND HÎNCEȘTI RAY - THE FIRST TWINNING OF 2016

Date: February 4, 2016, Iași, Romania

Organizers: Iași County Council

Iași County, Romania, and Hincesti Rayon, Republic of Moldova, members of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, signed a cooperation agreement on 4 February in Iași.

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 by 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.

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The event was attended by Victorel Lupu, Interim President Iași County Council, Alin Aivănoaei, Iași County Council Deputy Chair, Lăcrămioara Vernica, Iași County Secretary, Sanda Bitere, Chief of the International Relations Department, Iași County Council, Dumitru-Tudor Jijie, Executive Director of the Euroregion Association Siret-Prut-Nistru, Ghenadie Buza, President of the Hâncești District and Constantin Vlas, Vice-President of the Hâncești Raion.

The two sides undertake to develop and implement joint programs, projects and actions in areas such as: supporting education, innovation and sport, promoting cultural values, developing cooperation on youth policy, developing institutional relations.



WORK VISITS IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Date: 1-29 March 2016

Organizer: Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

In March 1-29, working visits were made to 24 districts and to the Autonomous Administrative Unit of Gagauzia of the Republic of Moldova, members of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion. The purpose of the visits was to address the themes of common interest for the members of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion and to promote the action plan for 2016 among the presidents, vice presidents and district secretaries, mayors of territorial administrative units, heads of

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departments and heads of deconcentrated institutions, The business environment and media institutions.

The themes approached were related to the Joint Operational Program Romania-Moldova 2014-2020, the Action Program of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion for 2016, cooperation agreements with the territorial administrative units in Romania and the identification of the themes of collaboration with similar institutions in Romania , According to the development strategies of the territorial administrative units.

The visit schedule was the following:

Date	District	
Tuesday, March 1st	Ungheni District	Făleşti District
Wednesday, March 2nd	Sîngerei District	Rîșcani District
Thursday, March 3rd	Drochia District	
Wednesday, March 9th	Hîncești District	Ialoveni District
Thursday, March 10th	Cimișlia District	ATU Găgăuzia
Friday, March 11th	Basarabeasca District	Leova District
Tuesday, March 15th	Călărași District	Strășeni District
Wednesday, March 16th	Căușeni District	Ștefan-Vodă District
Thursday, March 17th	Anenii Noi District	Nisporeni District
Tuesday, March 22	Șoldănești District	Soroca District
Wednesday, March 23rd	Orhei District	Telenești District
Thursday, March 24th	Dubăsari District	Criuleni District
Tuesday, March 29	Rezina District	Glodeni District



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EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES - KRAKOW, POLAND

Date: 5-6 April 2016, Krakow, Poland

Organizers: Institute of Eastern Studies in Warsaw

April 5-6 took place in Krakow, Poland, the European Congress of Local Authorities, second edition. It is organized by the Institute of Eastern Studies in Warsaw and is 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 in two panels by Dumitru-Tudor Jijie, Executive Director of Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association.

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On April 5, Dumitru-Tudor Jijie participated as a speaker within the Transparent Public Procurement Panel as a Catalyst of Regional Development in CEE Countries, the theme of public procurement and transparency, causing participants to ask many questions.



On April 6, Dumitru-Tudor Jijie moderated the "Transregional Cooperation" panel, which highlighted the need to implement cross-border projects, giving examples of good practice.

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FORUM MEDIA, EDITION I - IAȘI

Date: 21-22 April 2016, Iași, Romania

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

The first edition of the Media Forum and the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion took place in Iași in the period 21-22 April. The event aims to bring together the media outlets of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion with the media in the counties of the same Euroregion. Following this meeting, ideas and ways of collaboration will be identified. The Forum is organized in partnership with TVR Iasi, Radio Iasi and Ziarul de Iasi.

The program of this event covered:

- ❖ Conference "Local and regional media in a cross-border context"

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- ❖ Study visit to media institutions:
- TV – Tele M
- Radio – Viva FM
- Newspaper – Ziarul de Iași



- ❖ Pedestrian guided tour

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❖ Training TV - Carmen OLARU, Liviu TUDURACHE, Headquarters TVR Iași



❖ Training Radio - Claudia CRĂCĂLEANU, Radio Iași Headquarters



❖ Training Newspaper - Prof. univ. Dr. Daniel CONDURACHE, Corps B, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University.

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The first edition of the Media Forum was attended by 20 persons from media institutions in the Republic of Moldova, representing all categories of media: TV, radio and newspaper.

FESTIVAL - COMPETITION "YELLOW GUTUIE, COPACENI VILLAGE, STRĂȘENI DISTRICT, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Date: 28 august

Organizers: The Strasen District Council and the Romanian Cultural Institute in Chisinau

On August 28, the "Yellow Cute" Contest Festival took place in Copăcenii village, Strășeni district. It reached its third edition and is supported by the Romanian Cultural Institute in Chisinau.

Maricel Popa, President of Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion and President of Iasi County Council and Dumitru-Tudor Jijie, Executive Director, Association Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.

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FORUM ECONOMIC, KRYNICA ZDROJ, POLAND

Date: September 6 - 8, 2016, Krynica Zdroj, Poland

Organizers: Institute of Eastern Studies in Warsaw

Between September 6-8, the XXVI edition of the Economic Forum, also known as the Davos of the East, took place in Krynica Zdroj, Poland. The Economic Forum brought together 4,000 participants, prime ministers, European commissioners, opinion makers, representatives of civil society and local government in the European Union and its eastern neighborhood.

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The **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion** was the institutional partner of this event. **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion** was represented by Mr. Ion Leucă, Vice President of Strategy and Regional Development and President of the Glodeni District.



Mr. Dumitru-Tudor Jijie, Executive Director of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association, was invited to the panel "Interregional and Cross-border Cooperation on the Eastern Borders of the European Union - How to Increase Its Significance" Tatusiak, President of NGO "Ukraine-Poland-Germany".

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On this occasion, already existing partnerships have been deepened and new themes of cooperation have been identified, all of which are part of the general objective of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion on the development and modernization of the local public administration of the Republic of Moldova in the European spirit.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: "ENERGY PERFORMANCE CONTRACTS", PLOIESTI

Date: October 5, 2016, Ploiesti, Romania

Organizers: Agenția pentru Eficiență Energetică și Energii Regenerabile AE3R Ploiești-Prahova și Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Germania

The organizers are partners in the European project EnPC-INTRANS Strengthening the Implementation Capacities of the Energy Performance Contracts for the transitional european markets.



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REGIONAL FORUM "REGIONAL COOPERATION: NEW PARTNERSHIPS - NEW OPPORTUNITIES"

Date: 8 - 9 October 2016, Ungheni, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: The Ungheni Rayon Council and the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association

The Regional Forum "*Regional Cooperation: New Partnerships - New Opportunities*", organized by the Ungheni Rayon Council, in partnership with the Association **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion**, took place in Ungheni, Republic of Moldova in the period 8-9 October.

The purpose of this event was to initiate cooperation agreements between local public administrations in the Ungheni district, the Republic of Moldova and Iasi County, Romania. 16 Mayors from Iasi County, Romania and 16 Mayoralities from Ungheni rayon, Republic of Moldova, have signed the letters of intent for the collaboration agreement (twinning).

In the table below are the twinning proposals::

Nr. Crt.	Iași County Council, Romania	Ungheni District City Hall, Republic of Moldova
1.	Cozmești Commune	Măcărești Commune
2.	Deleni Commune	Cornești City
3.	Dobrovăț Commune	Boghenii Noi Commune
4.	Erbiceni Commune	Hîrcești Commune
5.	Grozești Commune	Buciumeni Commune
6.	Lespezi Commune	Cetîreni Village
7.	Mogoșești-Siret Commune	Teșcureni Village
8.	Moșna Commune	Unțești Village
9.	Movileni Commune	Costuleni Village
10.	Plugari Commune	Florițoaia Veche Commune
11.	Răchiteni Commune	Măgurele Commune
12.	Sirețel Commune	Rădenii Vechi Commune
13.	Sinești Commune	Condrătești Commune
14.	Țuțora Commune	Valea Mare Commune
15.	Victoria Commune	Manoilești Commune
16.	Voinești Commune	Petrești Commune

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On 9 October, the "Harvest Festival, Wine and Local Traditions Promotion" took place. The representatives of the 16 local public administrations from Iasi County participated in the stands of the localities with which they signed the letter of intent to collaborate in the district of Ungheni, being the beginning of long-term and long-term collaborations.

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GALA REPORTER EAST

Date: October 13, 2016, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: TVR Cluj-Napoca and Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association

The 13th of October took place in Chişinău, Republic of Moldova, Gala Reporter Est, within the Reporter East project. Within this project, TVR Cluj-Napoca has collaborated with Moldova 1 TV, ITV, TV Gagauzia and Bravo TV. The event was presented with materials by the participating journalists using the MOJO technique.

Awards were awarded to Natalia Gheţul - ITV Director, Liudmila Vasilachi, Olga Gruzdeva, Zhanna Shashkova, Olesea Russu, Anna Smolnitchi, Mihaiela Ilea, Raiko Cornea, Diana Apahidean, Andreea Anghel, Andrei Biro.



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REGIONAL FORUM "STRENGTHENING THE POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF THE REGION - THE EXPERIENCE OF THE EU COUNTRIES AND SUERD PERSPECTIVES" - STRĂȘENI, REPUBLICA MOLDOVA

Date: October 20, 2016, Straseni, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: Center for Regional Development, Republic of Moldova

On October 20 took place the Regional Forum "*Strengthening the development and promotion potential of the region - the experience of the EU countries and the perspectives of SUERD*", organized by the Center for Regional Development (RDA) Centru, under the aegis of the Ministry of Regional Development and Construction. The event took place within the ethno-cultural complex Vatra, Straseni, during the Days of the Central Region, 1st edition. This forum has been an excellent opportunity to establish and develop partnerships for cooperation between regions, localities and economic agents at local, regional and international level.

The event was attended by representatives of the local and central public administration of the Republic of Moldova and Latvia.



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INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT FORUM "GĂGĂUZIA INVEST - 2016"

Date: November 5, 2016, Comrat - ATU Gagauzia, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: Executive Committee of Gagauzia

The Executive Committee of Gagauzia organized on November 5 the second edition of the International Investment Forum "**GAGAUZIA INVEST - 2016**". On this occasion the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion, in partnership with the EURONEST and Arhipelago (Afaceri.ro) Inter-community Development Association, moved a delegation of 14 people, members and businessmen, as well as the deputy mayor of Iasi, Mr. Radu Botez. The delegation was led by Mrs. Ludmila Sfarloagă, Vice-President of the Prahova County Council, Vice President of International Relations of the Siret-Prut-Nistru **Euroregion** Association.

The Delegation of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion had dedicated meetings with the Bashkan of the Autonomous Territorial Unit of Gagauzia, Mrs. Irina Vlah, the Vice-Bailiff of the Autonomous Territorial Unit of Gagauzia, Vadim Ceban, the Mayor of Comrat, Mr. Sergei Anastasov and the President of the Chamber of Commerce of Gagauzia Mr. Petru Paşalî. On this occasion there were identified topics of collaboration and future action lines.



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12 HINCEȘTI RAILWAYS HAVE SIGNED INTRODUCTION LETTERS FOR COLLABORATION AGREEMENTS WITH 12 MAJOR PRISONS IN IAȘI COUNTY

Date: November 24, 2016, Iasi, Romania

Organizers: Siret-Prut-Nistru **Euroregion** Association, Iasi County Council

Intention letters were signed for the collaboration agreement (twinning) between the **12 mayors from Hincesti district, the Republic of Moldova and 12 mayors from Iasi County, Romania**. This event took place in the Hall of the Voivodes in the Palace of Culture, Iasi, organized by the **Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion** Association and the Iasi County Council.

The program continued with working visits to Transagropolis and ApaVital.

In the table below are the twinning proposals:

Nr. crt.	Commune România	Mayor name România	Comune Republica Moldova	Mayor name
1	Belcești	Constantin CIOBĂNIȚĂ	Lăpușna	Gheorghe CHIRILĂ
2	Holboca	Gheorghe ȘTEFURAC	Mingir	Ilie CHIȚANU
3	Lungani	Gheorghe PRICOPIE	Bozieni	Vasile POPESCU
4	Mădărjac	Dan GHEBUȚĂ	Bujor	Gheorghe COȘLEȚ
5	Mircești	Petru ANTĂLUȚ	Mirești	Victor SINOĞACI
6	Moșna	Georgel POPA	Cioara	Elena LAMBOS
7	Popești	Vasile LUPU	Caracui	Anatolie DUBCEAC
8	Românești	Ioan STEGARIU	Nemțeni	Gheorghe FILIPSCHI
9	Scânteia	Fănică SĂCĂLEANU	Logănești	Valentin DANU
10	Tansa	Daniel VOINESCU	Drăgușenii Noi	Petru GONȚA
11	Ungheni	Iulian MARCU	Leușeni	Octavian BUȚĂ
12	Valea Seacă	Gheorghe BĂICEANU	Secăreni	Gheorghe COJOCARU

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SIGNING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN 16 LOCAL PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIONS IN IAȘI COUNTY, ROMANIA AND UNGHENI RAY, REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Date: December 14, 2016, Iași, Romania

Organizers: Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion Association, Iasi County Council

On December 14, the signing of the cooperation agreements between the **16** mayoralities in the **Ungheni rayon**, the **Republic of Moldova** and 16 mayors from **Iasi County, Romania**, was signed.

The event took place in the "Henri Coanda" Hall, Iasi Culture Palace, and represents new perspectives of collaboration on all dimensions: administrative, economic, cultural.

Nr. Crt.	City Hall Iași, România	Primărie raionul Ungheni, Republica Moldova
1.	Commune Cozmești	Commune Măcărești
2.	Commune Deleni	Cornești City
3.	Commune Dobrovăț	Commune Boghenii Noi
4.	Commune Erbiceni	Commune Hîrcești
5.	Commune Grozești	Buciumeni Village
6.	Commune Lespezi	Cetîreni Village
7.	Commune Mogoșești-Siret	Teșcureni Village
8.	Commune Moșna	Unțești Village
9.	Commune Movileni	Costuleni Village
10.	Commune Plugari	Commune Florițoaia Veche
11.	Commune Răchiteni	Commune Măgurele
12.	Commune Sirețel	Commune Rădenii Vechi
13.	Commune Sinești	Commune Condrătești
14.	Commune Țuțora	Commune Valea Mare
15.	Commune Victoria	Commune Manoilești
16.	Commune Voinești	Commune Petrești



DEVELOPING FINANCING APPLICATIONS

Date: October - November 2016, Iasi, Romania

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

Between October and November, funding requests for European or governmental funding were prepared..

1. Responsible and Optimal Planning of Organizational Management through E-Learning Techniques in the Diaspora (P.R.O.M.O.T.E. DIASPORA)

General objective :

Stimulating entrepreneurship and self-employment by supporting the establishment of 24 non-agricultural businesses in the urban area of the North-East and South-East Regions by people in the Diaspora. The project contributes to the objectives of the program and its appeal through a series of integrated entrepreneurship training measures, business plan competition, counseling / mentoring / mentoring to improve the knowledge and skills acquired in entrepreneurial training, organizing events Support for entrepreneurship, settlement of amounts related to business plans, monitoring the functioning and development of funded businesses.

2. CONNECT DIASPORA - Creating Opportunities through E-Learning and Transversal Skills for DIASPORA

General objective:

Encouraging entrepreneurship and self-employment by supporting the establishment of 24 non-agricultural businesses in the urban area of the North-East and South-Muntenia regions by people living in the Diaspora. The project will contribute to the achievement of the objectives of the program and the call through a series of integrated entrepreneurship training measures, business plan competition, counseling / mentoring / mentoring to improve the knowledge and skills acquired in entrepreneurial training, organization of supporting events Of entrepreneurship, settlement of amounts related to business plans, monitoring the functioning and development of funded businesses.

3. Caravan of freedom of expression in DIASPORA

General objective:

Respect, protect and guarantee the rights and interests of the Romanian community outside the country, especially Romanian-language journalists.

4. Creating a framework for mutual support in multilateral development on the two sides of the Prut

General objective:

Creating an active partnership Romania - Republic of Moldova in the fields of culture, health and social protection, education and economy

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ORGANIZATION OF EVENT USE IN INVESTMENT OBJECTS OBTAINED BY EUROPEAN FINANCING (JOINT OPERATIONAL PROGRAM ROMANIA-UKRAINE-REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA 2007-2013)

Date: 20 December 2016, Durllesti, Republic of Moldova

Organizers: Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

On December 20th, the project "Cities-eco - a common vision in the cross-border area", funded by the European Union under the Joint Operational Program Romania-Ukraine-Republic of Moldova 2007-2013, took place.



STUDY VISIT VICEGOVERNOR ATU GĂGĂUZIA

Date: December 23, 2016, Iași, Romania

Organizers: Association Euroregion Siret-Prut-Nistru

On December 23, the studio visit of Mr. Vadim Ceban, Vice-Bailiff of the Autonomous Territorial Unit of Gagauzia, member of the Board of Directors of the Siret-Prut-Nistru Euroregion.

