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Anca Dragu in Washington: Moldova continues to advance with reforms geared towards stability and sustainable development, dedicated to a prosperous European future

The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Anca Dragu, participated on Saturday, October 26, 2024, at the Regional Economic Outlook (REO) - an event dedicated to the economic outlook and common challenges of Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe, organized on the margins of the Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank Group (WBG) in Washington, USA.

In her speech, Anca Dragu reaffirmed that accession to the European Union is a strategic priority for Moldova, and the NBM devotes its resources to harmonize its regulatory framework with European standards. "The Republic of Moldova continues its path towards an open and inclusive economy, promoting reforms that attract investment and support innovation in the financial sector," stressed the head of the central bank.

The NBM Governor reiterated the objectives of the Republic of Moldova on improving the financial and economic framework, supporting financial inclusion and strengthening the country's position in the European integration process. "The commitment to ambitious reforms is fundamental for a stronger, more resilient and innovative Europe," Anca Dragu added, reaffirming the need for international cooperation to ensure a modern and competitive economy.

In the context of economic changes and global risks, Dragu emphasized the need for prudent economic policy and a resilient financial structure. "Moldova remains committed to implementing reforms to ensure financial stability and integration into a modern and competitive European economy. We are taking an active role in transforming the economy of the Republic of Moldova and strengthening the financial sector to create a prosperous future for all citizens," the governor said.

The discussions within the “Regional Economic Outlook” underlined the importance of a joint regional effort to improve economic dynamics and create an integrated single market for goods, services and capital. Anca Dragu emphasized that "joint initiatives are essential for stimulating investment and innovation in Central and Eastern Europe," stressing the need to tackle economic challenges through strengthened collaboration at regional level.

The event, which brought together central bank governors and finance ministers from the region, served as a platform for promoting a common vision of sustainable economic development and European integration.

During the visit to Washington, the Moldovan delegation, led by Governor Anca Dragu and Minister of Finance, Victoria Belous, participated in a series of high-level meetings. These meetings, held with IMF and World Bank officials, focused on key issues for Moldova's economic development, such as support for financial sector reform, harmonization of the legislative framework with the European one and technical assistance to strengthen financial stability.

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