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Cookie Usage Policy on the National Bank of Moldova's Website www.bnm.md

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The National Bank of Moldova ("NBM") is committed to transparency regarding how it uses cookies and similar technologies when you visit the www.bnm.md website ("the Website"). This Policy explains what cookies are, why we use them, what types of cookies may be placed on your device, and how you can manage your preferences.

1. What are cookies?

Cookies are small text files stored on a computer, mobile phone or other device when you visit a website. They may contain information about the browsing session (for example, preferences, settings, pages visited).

- **Session cookies** – temporary, deleted when you close the browser.
- **Persistent cookies** – remain stored until they expire or until you delete them.
- **First-party cookies** – set directly by the website you visit.
- **Third-party cookies** – set by embedded services (e.g., statistical analytics).

Cookies do not usually identify you directly; however, they may store data that may constitute personal data, depending on the context and the applicable legislation.

2. Strictly necessary cookies vs. optional cookies

Strictly necessary cookies are essential for the operation of the Website and cannot be disabled in our systems, as they provide basic functions (e.g., maintaining the session, distributing the load between servers). For these cookies, consent is not required.

Optional cookies (e.g., statistical analytics, some functional and preference cookies) improve the user experience, but are not indispensable. These are placed **only if you give your consent**, where required by law.

3. Why do we use cookies?

NBM uses cookies for the following purposes:

- **Strictly necessary** – for operating the Website and essential technical functions (e.g., session, load balancing).
- **Functional / Preferences** – to remember settings such as font size, desktop version, and interface preferences.
- **Analytics / Performance** – for aggregated statistics regarding the use of the Website (e.g., number of visitors, pages accessed), in order to improve our services.
- **Accessibility** – to remember settings that support accessibility (e.g., contrast, cursor, dedicated font).

4. Legal basis for the use of cookies

Depending on the applicable legislation (including European rules on online privacy and the national legislation of the Republic of Moldova, such as Law No. 133/2011 on the protection of personal data and the relevant acts on information society services):

- **Strictly necessary cookies** are active by default, because they are indispensable for the operation of the Website.
- **Optional cookies** (analytics, some functional/preferences) are used **only after consent**, where applicable.

You can withdraw your consent at any time through your browser settings. Please note that the use of third-party cookies (e.g., Google Analytics) may involve transfers of data to providers outside the Republic of Moldova/EU, in which case appropriate contractual safeguards apply (e.g., standard contractual clauses), to the extent applicable.

5. How can you manage or disable cookies?

You have several options:

1. **Via the cookie banner:** you can accept/refuse optional categories.
2. **Via browser settings** (detailed site-by-site control):
 - **Chrome:** Settings → Privacy & Security → Third-party cookies → See all site data and permissions
 - **Edge:** Settings → Privacy, search, services → Cookies
 - **Safari:** Settings → Privacy → Manage Website Data
 - **Firefox:** Settings → Privacy & Security → Cookies and Site Data
3. **Third-party provider tools:** some providers offer their own control options (e.g., Google account settings).

Note: If you block certain cookies, some functions of the Website may not work properly or may become unavailable (for example, saving preferences or measuring statistical performance).

6. Types of cookies used on www.bnm.md ^[1]

Below is a list of the cookies identified on the Website. Some cookies are **activated conditionally** (usually only after user consent or after a specific functionality is enabled).

No.	Cookie name	Provider	Purpose	Duration	Category	Activation
1	cookiesession1	BNM.md	Required for distributing the load evenly among the backend servers (load balancing) and for the stable operation of the Website.	Session	Strictly necessary	Default
2	JSESSIONID	BNM.md (the "Interactive database" application)	Maintains the user session within the "Interactive database" application.	Session	Strictly necessary	When using the application
3	has_js	BNM.md	Indicates whether JavaScript is enabled in the browser, in order to deliver Website components correctly.	Session	Functional / Technical	Conditional
4	_ga	Google Analytics	Distinguishes users for aggregated statistics (traffic analysis).	Typically up to 2 years	Analytics / Performance	Conditional (after consent)
5	_gid	Google Analytics	Collects information about visited pages (traffic analysis).	Typically up to 24 hours	Analytics / Performance	Conditional (after consent)
6	_gat	Google Analytics	Limits the rate of requests to Google Analytics (throttling).	Typically up to 1 minute	Analytics / Performance	Conditional (after consent)
				Persistent		

7	fontCookie	BNM.md	Stores the preference regarding font size / text display.	(until deletion / site configuration)	Functional / Preferences	Conditional
8	statistics_time	BNM.md	Supports displays/functions of the statistics interface (e.g., time, informative elements).	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Functional / Preferences	Conditional
9	statistics_tooltip	BNM.md	Manages the display of tooltips and informative elements in statistics modules.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Functional / Preferences	Conditional
10	node_stat	Drupal	Keeps track of access (counting/metrics) for the website content.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Analytics / Performance	Conditional
11	bnm_coins_expansion	BNM.md	Stores the state (expanded/collapsed) of certain components specific to the module.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Functional / Preferences	Conditional
12	desktop_version	BNM.md	Stores the user's choice for the desktop version of the website (on mobile devices).	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Functional / Preferences	Conditional
13	ally_oversized_widget	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: display enlarged widget.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)
14	ally_animation	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: animation control.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)
15	ally_invert	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: invert colors.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)
16	ally_contrast	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: high contrast.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)
17	ally_dyslexic	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: dyslexic-friendly font.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)
18	ally_cursor	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: custom/enlarged cursor.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)
19	ally_factor	BNM.md	Accessibility preference: interface scaling/zoom factor.	Persistent (until deletion / site configuration)	Accessibility	Conditional (when enabled)

7. Policy updates

We may periodically update this Policy to reflect legislative, technological or operational changes. The date of the latest version is shown at the beginning of this document.

8. Contact

If you have questions about this Policy or about how we use cookies, you can contact us at:

- **National Bank of Moldova**
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