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Governor Anca Dragu at the BURSA Gala, on investor confidence and the training of future business journalists



Today, 19 November 2026, the Governor of the National Bank of Moldova (NBM) Ms Anca Dragu delivered an opening address at the 11th edition of the BURSA Gala, held in Bucharest. The event, organised by the BURSA Press Group, marked the 36th anniversary of the launch of the BURSA newspaper, a publication specialising in economic and financial journalism.

"For a business that wants to expand, the capital market can provide the necessary funding to take an investment project forward. For their part, investors need clear information and consistently applied rules in order to assess opportunities and risks. This is where the role of the business press comes in, explaining market changes and providing readers with the guidance they need to make informed decisions," emphasised the NBM Governor in her speech.

One example of cooperation between the Republic of Moldova and Romania in this field is the participation of the Bucharest Stock Exchange in the share capital of the Moldova International Stock Exchange, which was authorised in August 2026. The development of the capital market can provide businesses in the Republic of Moldova with access to a broader investor base and to sources of finance that complement bank lending.

At the same time, as the national coordinator for financial education in the Republic of Moldova, the NBM promotes citizens' access to information that they can use when making their own financial decisions.

“A news report about interest rates is useful to a family when it explains what might happen to their loan repayment or the interest on their savings. Economic journalism helps people understand how changes in the economy affect them and what options they have. That is why, at the NBM, we support the training of young journalists who wish to specialise in this field and explain complex financial topics to the public in a way they can understand,” added Ms Anca Dragu.

One example is the “School of Modern Finance” programme, organised by the NBM with the support of the National Bank of Romania and in partnership with the Bucharest University of Economic Studies. In 2025, the programme was extended to master’s students at the Faculty of Journalism and Communication Sciences at the Moldovan State University and to economic journalists. Through meetings with financial experts and applied analysis sessions, the programme helps future journalists to research economic topics and explain them with rigour and clarity. In this way, the NBM contributes to the development of economic journalism in the Republic of Moldova.

The Gala brought together representatives from public authorities, the business community, the banking sector and the investment community, as well as members of the academic community and the diplomatic corps. During the event, awards were presented to businesses and managers who had distinguished themselves through their performance, as well as to individuals who had contributed to the development of Romania’s financial sector.

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