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The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Anca Dragu, awarded the participants of the "School of Modern Finance", third edition

The Governor of the National Bank of Moldova, Anca Dragu, met with the participants of the third edition of the "School of Modern Finance" programme, organized in collaboration with the National Bank of Romania (NBR) and the Bucharest University of Economic Studies (ASE) for students from the Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova (ASEM).

During the meeting, Ms. Anca Dragu handed certificates to the young people who, upon returning to Chișinău, wanted to make the most of their study experience by preparing financial education lectures for people of different ages and professions in rural areas.

"At the National Bank we believe in the value of financial education and in the potential of young people. I congratulate you on the way you have brought your wealth of knowledge into communities across the country - to schools, colleges, libraries or cultural centres. You have been messengers of knowledge where financial education is most needed," said the Governor of the National Bank.

Ms. Anca Dragu noted that the aim of the "School of Modern Finance" programme to develop the financial literacy of young people through professional training and civic involvement is beautifully fulfilled through the financial education activities carried out by future economists. So far, as a result of the programme, presentations on various financial topics have been delivered in dozens of rural communities across the Republic of Moldova.

ASEM students and master's students, who attended the meeting with the Governor of the National Bank, had the opportunity to share their financial education experiences gained through participating in the program. The young people enthusiastically shared that not only did they help others learn how to integrate into the modern financial world, but they also gained valuable insights themselves from that professional, civic and purely human experience:

"I was pleased to see that young people, including students and children in rural communities, are better informed today than we once were, which shows the real impact of the "School of Modern Finance" programme. I believe this opportunity has had and will continue to have a major impact on the youth of the Republic of Moldova."

"Through this experience, I realized how important it is to pass on our knowledge, to motivate students to discover the field of economics, both as a potential future profession and as a means of developing valuable skills for their personal lives."

"In particular, I felt a profound impact while working with children from rural areas. Many of these children are now looking towards a better future with hope. That's why, when we went to schools in rural areas, we tried to capture their interest and explain how the state and the economy work, in the most engaging way possible. I have seen with my own eyes that when given support and confidence, these children can make amazing progress. And I am determined to continue to get involved, whenever I have the opportunity, to contribute to their development."

"I am grateful for this opportunity and look forward to continuing to contribute together to building a better future for the Republic of Moldova."

The certificates awarded to the participants of the "School of Modern Finance" bear the signatures of the Governors of the NBM and NBR, as well as the Rectors of ASE Bucharest and ASEM Chișinau.

The programme was launched in 2023 with the support of the National Bank of Romania, and is carried out across Romania, where young people have the opportunity to combine their studies with cultural and historical activities in representative cities such as Iași, Suceava, Brașov and Sinaia.

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