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## CONFERENCE

### Challenges for Romania as an EU and NATO member in the geopolitical and economic context of the Black Sea Region

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#### Organized by:

- The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania
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- Janusz Bugajski – Director, CSIS
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**Venue:** The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania, George Assan hall - CCIB, 2 Octavian Goga Blvd., Bucharest , Entrance C

## Preliminary Program

### 10:00 – 11:00 - Opening Session

#### Special guests:

- Adrian Cioroianu – The Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Varujan Vosganian – The Minister of Economy and Finance
- Mircea Geoană - President of the Foreign Policy Commission of the Senate

### 11:00 – 12:30 Plenary Session I

#### Main Topics:

- Drawing nowadays' agenda of the Black Sea Region economic policy?
- Which are the main high competitive businesses in the region?
- What types of companies are expanding their businesses in this region and why are they doing this?
- Creativeness against the background of a weak and unsupported research industry
- Stimulating SMEs' competitiveness in the region, in the context of a global economy
- Is the knowledge-based economy a real fact in the "New Europe"?
- Are the EU and USA strategies for this region competitors or complementary? What part can/will play the Russian Federation?

#### Key Speakers:

- Daniel Daianu – Professor, former Minister of Finance
- Cornel Codiță - Professor – National School of Political and Administrative Science
- Alexander Anatolievici Ciurilin – Ambassador of the Russian Federation in Romania
- Ovidiu Nicolescu - President of the National Council of the Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs)
- Ioan Mircea Pașcu - member of the European Parliament, ex-Minister of Defense
- Radu Berceanu - ex Minister of Economy
- Liviu Mureșan - President executive – EURISC Foundation
- Victor Babiuc - President of the International Court of Commercial Arbitration
- Ștefan Popa – President, CCI Bucharest
- Ionel Gagu - President CCIA Buzău
- Halit Ozturkmen, president TIAD - Turkish Businessmen Association in Romania
- Sergei Cladco - CCI Moldova

### 12:30-13:00 – Coffee break

### 13:00 – 14:30 – Plenary Session II

#### Topics:

- How can Romania solve the problem of labor force deficit?
- Romania between the export and import of human resources
- Communication between legislative bodies and business environment

#### Key Speakers:

- Bogdan Teodoriu, Presidential counselor
- Dumitru Costin, President of the National Trade Union Bloc (BNS)
- George Cojocaru, President, S.C. Romexpo S.A.
- Lilion Gogoncea, President CCIA Galați

### 14:30 – 16:00 Lunch offered by organizers