Preface

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Romania ranks amongst European countries with the most important economic growths over the past years, and this new favourable economic context should be capitalised through investments, with a view to stimulating prosperity and economic development. This inter-institutional partnership between the Competition Council and the Government of Romania concerning the "Analysis of the impact of the regulations in force over the competition environment in key three sectors of Romanian economy", under the auspices of OECD thus is an investment with important long-term benefits.

The project strengthens inter-institutional co-operation in the field of the Regulatory Impact Analysis and helps developing the central administration's skills to formulate public policies that foster competition.

It also lays the premises for a sound legislative reform in the three sectors representing the subject of the project, i.e. agri-food processing, transports, and constructions, and implicitly it leads to the strengthening of the competitiveness of Romanian economy. It becomes even more important considering that Romania needs competitiveness in the current European, regional, and global environment.

I would like to congratulate you on this first sectoral partnership between Romania and OECD, concluded upon the initiative of the Competition Council. This project is, beyond all doubt, an example of successful partnership that we desire to replicate in other fields of interest for Romania.

I see this project not only as an important contributor towards the improvement of sectoral legislation, but also as an opportunity to reassert our strong interest in going further in our collaboration with the OECD.

I firmly believe that we will continue to benefit from OECD of such high quality sectoral analyses accompanied by recommendations, because they have a considerable impact on economic development.

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