



## A Recovery plan for Europe:

## The Recovery and Resilience Facility

# ROMANIA

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### Recovery and Resilience Facility

#### **Functioning**

- National recovery and resilience plans with reforms and investments for the years up to mid-2026.
- Member States present plans by
   30 April 2021 as a rule
- Performance-based instrument
- Payments in instalments, when milestones and targets are met
- Member States report twice a year in the framework of the European Semester

#### **Grants and Loans**

- **Grants**: €312,5 billion
- Loans: €360 billion
- Maximum allocation according to agreed key
- Pre-financing of up to 13% available in 2021 [optional]

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- Appropriate contribution to the 6 pillars
- Climate transition: 37%
- **Digital transformation**: 20%
- Addressing country-specific recommendations
- Appropriate balance between reforms and investments
- Do-no-significant-harm principle for all reforms and investments
- Solid audit and control system to ensure that the financial interests of the Union are protected



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# Overview of documents adopted by the Commission on 27 September

# Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision

# Annex to the Proposal for a Council Implementing Decision

# Staff Working Document

- Legal agreement between the European Commission and Romania on the plan
- "Contract" between the EU and Romania on the plan

- Outline of the reforms and investments and their timeline for implementation (milestones and targets)
- "Roadmap and timeline" for implementation, which will trigger regular disbursements

- Outline and detailed explanations of the findings of the CID
- Annex listing the climate and digital contributions per investment





## Overview of Romania's RRP



15 components



171 measures

64 reforms and107 investments





€ 14.24 billion in grants and€ 14.94 billion in loans





### Green transition

41%

**41%** of the plan allocated to **climate** objectives

### **Key investments**

- Railway modernisation (EUR 3.9 billion)
- Greater energy efficiency in private and public buildings (EUR 2.7 billion),
- Building and refurbishment of public hospital infrastructure (EUR 2 billion)

### **Key reforms**

- Decarbonisation of energy and transport sectors
- Adoption of the National Forest Strategy
- Development of the national circular economy strategy
- Ecological reconstruction of habitats and the conservation of species



No measure in the plan harms environmental objectives





# Digital transition

21%

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21% of the plan allocated to digital objectives

# Key investments in public and private sectors

- Deployment of the electronic identity card for the Romanian citizens (EUR 200 million)
- Digitalisation of education (EUR 1.1 billion) and businesses (EUR 500 million)
- Cybersecurity (EUR 172 million)
- Planned IPCEI on microelectronics (EUR 564 million)
- Connectivity (EUR 94 million)

### **Key reforms**

- Digitalisation of the public administration
- Establishment of interoperable data platforms and setting up of the Government cloud
- Transition to EU 2025 connectivity targets and stimulate private investment for the deployment of very high capacity networks
- Ensuring cybersecurity of public and private entities owning critical value infrastructure

#### **Sector-specific investments**

- Development of an integrated e-Health and telemedicine system
- Digitalisation of justice, in the field of environment, civil service management, public procurement, customs and tax authority
- Digitalisation of road and rail transport





### Resilience

#### **Education & skills**

- In-depth restructuring of the education system through the 'Educated Romania' project
- Measures focused on reinforcing early-childhood education services, reducing early-school leaving and improving VET
- Improvements in infrastructure

#### Health

- Building and refurbishment of public hospital infrastructure
- Building and refurbishment of ambulatory services, especially in rural and underserved areas









- Pension reform for a sustainable and fairer pension system,
- Implementation of a minimum social inclusion income and reform of minimum wage setting

#### **Governance**

- Simplified regulatory environment for business
- Modernisation of public admin.
- Anti-corruption measures
- Improved governance of research and innovation
- Stronger tax administration
- SOE governance









# 6 Pillars – 15 Components

Pillar 1 – "Green Transition"

- 1. Water management
- 2. Forests and Biodiversity protection
- 3. Waste management
- 4. Sustainable transport
- 5. Renovation Wave
- Energy

Pillar 2 - "Digital Transformation"

7. Digital transformation

Pillar 3 – "Smart, sustainable, and inclusive growth"

- 8. Fiscal and pension reforms
- 9. Business support and R&D&I

Pillar 4 – "Social and territorial cohesion"

10. Local fund

11. Tourism and culture

Pillar 5 – "Health and economic and social resilience"

- 12. Healthcare
- 13. Social reforms
- 14. Good governance

Pillar 6 – "Next Generation"

15. Education





(FIIP		<b>Total Costs</b>
(EUR million)		(EUR million)
Non-repayable support	Loans	
	1 462.00	1 462.00
781.00	392.00	1 173.00
	1 239.00	1 239.00
3 906.00	3 714.00	7 620.00
	2 200.00	2 200.00
460.00	1 160.00	1 620.00
1 827.06	57.90	1 884.96
456.93		456.93
	2 558.63	2 558.63
1 200.00	900.00	2 100.00
	449.00	449.00
2 450.01		2 450.01
107.69	89.05	196.74
165.60		165.60
2 885.39	720.57	3 605.97
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# Transport - investments

### **Modernisation of railway lines** (grants)

- 315 km modernised railway lines: 30% increased capacity
- 110 km electrified railway lines
- 2 426 km renewed railway lines, with 15% increase of speed
- 17 projects of electronic centralisation, solving capacity problems for 111 railway stations
- Acquisition/upgrading of rolling stock

Underground transport network development in Bucharest (5.2 km) and Cluj (7.5 km) (loans)

### Road infrastructure (loans)

## New motorways (part of core TEN-T network), 429 km in total

- A7 Ploiesti-Pascani (319 km)
- A8 Targu-Mures Miercurea Nirajului si Leghin-Targu Neamt (Motca) (59 km)
- A1 Marginea-Holdea (9 km)
- A3 Nadaselu-Poarta Salajului (42 km).

#### **Examples of accompanying measures:**

- 30 000 electric charging stations (partially NRRP covered)
- Taxation for heavy vehicles
- Local taxes for polluting vehicles
- Increase by 29 500 of registered vehicles with zero emissions



## Transport - reforms

- Improvement of the strategic legal and procedural framework to support transition towards sustainable transport and improved road safety
- Strategy on Intelligent Traffic System
- Naval Strategy
- Operationalisation of a new Road Investment Project Management Company
- Improvement of performance management of SOEs in the sector





### Education

"Educated Romania" project: adoption of the legislative framework for its implementation

### Early childhood education and care (ECEC)

 110 crèches for 4500 children, with territorial distribution; 412 complementary services for disadvantaged groups; framework programme for continuing education of ECEC professionals

### Early school leaving

• Implementation of the early warning mechanism in education(MATE); supporting minimum 2500 schools for monitoring and supporting pupils at risk of early school leaving; training of MATE users.



### Education

### **Dual education and training**

- Creation of a complete route for students in vocational education and training (VET), with access to university technical education;
- 10 regional consortia with 10 professional campuses (high schools and technical universities);
- 57 agricultural high schools supported with infrastructure, equipment and training;
- 909 professional and technical schools supported with equipment for digital labs and practice workshops.

### Digitalisation of education

- Legislative framework for the digitalisation of education;
- On-the-job training programme for 50 000 teachers;
- Modernisation of at least 5200 computer labs, development of over 1 100 smart labs and digital infrastructure for over 3600 schools;
- Online school (evaluation and digital content);
- Digitalisation of universities.



### Education

### Infrastructure

- Updating legislation for school infrastructure;
- Green schools (300 000 m<sup>2</sup> upgraded, 46 400 m<sup>2</sup> new);
- 3200 green buses for isolated localities;
- Endowment of 75 000 class rooms and 10 000 scientific labs;
- 3 rural consortia for building 3 modern campuses;
- Modernisation/building of reading spaces, canteens and student dormitories in universities.

### **Pre-university education governance**

- Restructuring the management system in the context of increased school autonomy; pilot on 60 schools;
- Training programme for over 6000 school managers, about 3000 deputy managers and 900 school inspectors



### Health

#### **Investments**

- Building and refurbishment of public hospital infrastructure
  - New hospital infrastructure: partial funding for 25 hospitals/sanitary units
  - Medical equipment and devices
  - Neonatal intensive care units
  - Equipment and materials aiming at reducing the risk of nosocomial infections
- Building and refurbishment of ambulatory services, especially in rural and underserved areas





### Health

### Reforms

- Capacity development for the management of public funds in the health sector
- Creation and operationalisation of the National Agency for Health Infrastructure Development (ANDIS)
- Capacity development of the management of health services and of human resources in health





# Thank you

