ROMANIA 2035

GOVERNING CONTRACT

The common core for an implementation majority

Cheaper to live. Cheaper to do business. Cheaper to govern - without making Romania poorer.

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1. Purpose

The Contract is a public political and administrative agreement among governing partners. It does not replace the Constitution, Parliament, the legally approved governing programme, courts or independent authorities. Its role is to make common outcomes, fiscal limits and rules for resolving bottlenecks explicit.

2. The five common missions

Mission 1 - Household Security

Prices, medicines, energy, housing and commuting addressed through permanent funding, competition, supply and transparency.

Mission 2 - A State That Works

Government as a Platform, shared services, once-only, PM Delivery, Handoff Register and public outcomes.

Mission 3 - Health and Safe Schools

Healthcare access/prevention/mental health; Safe School; childcare/elder care as human infrastructure.

Mission 4 - Jobs and Regional Opportunity

Opportunity Platform, skills, complete communities, agricultural processing, energy-ready industry, R&D and diaspora.

Mission 5 - Security under Democratic Control

NATO/Black Sea, cyber, critical infrastructure, dual-use, civil protection, due process and oversight.

3. Common rules

- No permanent promise without permanent funding and a Fiscal Compliance Certificate.
- The minister/mission owner remains accountable; PM Delivery monitors and escalates, it does not substitute.
- Any material departure from milestones, legal path or fiscal envelope is published with reason and cost.
- Independent institutions do not receive political instructions through the Delivery Office.
- Coalition conflicts have a resolution path and do not freeze administration.
- Executive appointments publish competence/integrity/conflict information required by law and the remedy for a material conflict.
- Mission teams have sunsets; professional civil service/merit remains the backbone.

4. Reporting and oversight

- Weekly internal delivery; proportionate public cadence and six-month outcome report.
- Quarterly parliamentary hearing for the five missions and Fiscal Lock exceptions.
- Handoff Completion Rate and Conversion Through the Chain published by owner.
- Day-100 report and annual reset of milestones based on evidence.

5. Normality clause

The goal is not permanent government by missions. When a function is stable, standardised and taken over by the normal institution, the temporary team closes. Reform succeeds when it no longer depends on the reform mechanism itself.

Coalition agreement and portfolio accountability

Participating parties commit to implementing and supporting the whole programme. Portfolios are proposed according to priority alignment; remaining or disputed portfolios are agreed through the board with five representatives per party using party nominees. Investiture and appointments follow the Constitution; the board coordinates politics and preserves MPs' free mandate.

The coalition board coordinates politics only. Its agreement cannot impose an imperative parliamentary mandate, appoint ministers directly or control independent authorities. Democratic reform includes editorial independence and lawful public-media governance, ownership and state-advertising transparency under EMFA, anti-SLAPP protection and civil-society participation. Human-rights-institution accreditation follows the Paris Principles with genuine independence.

The public agreement sets quorum, voting and deadlock resolution. Nominees meet competence, integrity and incompatibility requirements and receive public implementation mandates; professional administration remains merit-based.

Common implementation duties

The programme integrates EU duties into existing reforms, with a public register, owner, deadline and evidence. Binding law, funding conditions, recommendations and proposals are separate. Overdue duties receive immediate remedies; the 100-day programme does not extend statutory deadlines.

Lower bills connect to renovation, clean heating and accessible mobility; water, forests and nature protect agriculture and health. Existing services track access for vulnerable children, people with disabilities and rural communities. Migration and asylum have a lawful pathway distinct from diaspora return.

Fiscal Lock respects the EU net-expenditure path. The RRF is tracked for closure and continuity of existing commitments, with no assumption of new grants beyond its deadline. Finance verifies funding and recurring cost; the Fiscal Council provides independent assessment.

Implementation preserves university and local autonomy, property, judicial independence, data protection and competition. The 60/40 rule applies to eligible revenue from future programmes under lawful terms established before funding. Accelerated deadlines do not suspend environmental assessment or public rights. Statutory inventor remuneration precedes the 60/40 distribution of eligible residual proceeds.

No party can agree an exemption from binding law through political agreement. The legal and fiscal card precedes launch; public reporting includes EU-duty remediation and appeal rights.