



REGISTRUL URBANIȘTILOR DIN ROMÂNIA

ROMANIAN REGISTER OF URBAN PLANNERS

Brief Activity Report for the Period from June 2011 to June 2012

The Romanian Register of Urban Planners pursued goals meant to clarify the statutory framework of the spatial planning profession (spatial planner) simultaneously with the specific current activities of evaluating and granting the right to sign for urban and spatial planning documentations. These are, as follows:

A. Fundamental contributions of the Romanian Register of Urban Planners (in partnership with: the University of Architecture and Urban Planning "Ion Mincu" from Bucharest, Ministry of Education and Ministry of Labour) **to the establishment of a national qualification framework for exercising the urban planning profession** (in compliance with the current European regulations) through:

- the procedure of recognizing the Bachelor/Master degrees structures for the urban planner profession;
- making a research on the professional formation and the integration of specialists on the labour market;
- specifying the professional competencies at the level of the Bachelor's and Master's degree diplomas in urban and spatial planning, as a result of the qualification;
- defining the urban planning profession within the National Register of Qualifications.

The work is in progress on defining the urban and spatial planning jobs necessary to include in the new Romanian Classification of Occupations. As a national authority for qualifications in

the field of urban and spatial planning, the Romanian Register of Urban Planners is supposed to accomplish a precise mission within the IMI European network of exchanging information and circulation of people on the labour market. In this respect, the Romanian Register of Urban Planners goes through a formation, informative, documentary and logistical training period concerning the competencies that it should take over in short time.

B. The activity monitoring by the Romanian Register of Urban Planners, from the professional point of view, in the field of urban and spatial planning (as a management of the exercise of the right to sign in order to observe the quality of the professional activities) by:

- participating in the National Commission for Territorial Development, in the National Commission on Heritage and in the commissions of the local and regional administrations for urban and spatial planning;
- making a research on the use of the European funds and on the spatial sustainable development by the means of urban and spatial planning designs (to what extent special urban and spatial planning plans or global development plans are useful).

C. The participation of the Romanian Register of Urban Planners (in partnership with the Ministry of Regional Development, the Faculties of Urban Planning, Geography, Constructions) **in consulting actions, debates, studies and researches** on the Europe 2020 Development Strategy for Romania, the Bucharest Strategic Concept 2035, on issues of territorial cohesion and sustainable transports within ESPON programmes or national programmes.

A professional debate on the EU cohesion policy for 2014-2020 is in preparation for two issues:

- 1) reducing the disparities within the territory and the transition regions;
- 2) the impact of the cohesion policy on the spatial planning documentations.

D. The preoccupation of the Romanian Register of Urban Planners for the continuous professional formation of the members having the right to sign by:

- finalizing reglementary requirements for maintaining the right to sign and an annual assessment procedure;
- proposing a training system in the field for public servants within the local administration services associated with urban and spatial planning issues;

- organizing regional seminars for young urban planners, having as topics the territorial cohesion, the social inclusion or the juridical interpretation of urban planning issues (in partnership with the Embassy of France in Bucharest).

The accomplishment of an action programme entitled "From urban planning to spatial planning" in order to promote the idea of the territorial-sectorial integration is to be considered, by emphasizing the role of the urban planner in the spatial sustainable development process.

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