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Delegations will find in the Annex a letter from Ms Iulia MATEI, Permanent Representative of Romania to the European Union, forwarding the letter from Mr Ion-Marcel CIOLACU, Prime Minister of Romania, suggesting Ms Roxana MÎNZATU as Member of the Commission.

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THE AMBASSADOR
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF ROMANIA
TO THE EUROPEAN UNION

No. 5707

Brussels, September 2, 2024

Dear Mr. Seibert,
Dear Ambassador Ódor,
Dear Secretary-General,

As instructed by my Government, I hereby convey to you the letter sent by the Prime Minister of Romania, Mr. Marcel Ciolacu, to the President-elect of the European Commission, Mrs. Ursula von der Leyen, regarding the Romanian proposal for the position of Romanian member of the next European Commission.

I avail myself of this opportunity to convey to you, dear Mr. Siebert, dear Ambassador Ódor and dear Secretary-General, the expression of my highest consideration.

Iulia Matei

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Head of Cabinet
Cabinet of the President-elect of the European Commission

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Bucharest, September 2, 2024

Dear Mrs. President-elect of the European Commission,

Dear Mr. President of the Council,

Following the discussions we had during the last few weeks, I would like to submit the proposal of the Government of Romania for the position of member of the European Commission.

In this respect, please accept the nomination of **Mrs. Roxana Mînzatu**, current member of the European Parliament.

Mrs. Mînzatu has been an active promoter of the European project for many years and a fervent advocate for European norms. At national level, she held the position of Minister for European Funds, member of Romanian Parliament - European Affairs Committee and other positions in central and local public administration. At European level, she has been an active, engaged and a great promoter of European values and a strong supporter for more European cohesion. I strongly believe that Mrs. Mînzatu meets the criteria and has the profile for a portfolio relevant for the European Commission.

I attach the curriculum vitae of Mrs. Roxana Mînzatu, which stands as proof of her outstanding and extensive professional and political activity. Consequently, such a background, coupled with an experienced profile in public administration and excellent communicational skills, recommend her for the position within the next College of Commissioners.

Please accept, dear Mrs. President-elect, dear Mr. President of the Council, the expression of my highest consideration.

Ion-Marcel CIOLACU
Prime Minister of Romania

H.E. Mrs. Ursula von der Leyen
President-elect of the European Commission

H.E. Mr. János Bóka
President of the EU Council

CC: Ms. Thérèse Blanchet
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WORK EXPERIENCE

• From - To	July 2024 - present
• Employer name and locality	**European Parliament** – www.europarl.europa.eu
• Main activities and responsibilities	Permanent member of REGI (Committee on Regional Development), substitute member of EMPL (Committee on Employment and Social Affairs), PETI (Committee on Petitions)
• Field of activity	EU legislative body
• Occupation or position held	**Member of the European Parliament**

• From - To	March 2022 – July 2024
• Employer name and locality	**General Secretariat of the Government**
• Main activities and responsibilities	Coordinator of the Department for the integrated evaluation and monitoring of programs financed from public and European funds - www.investitii-publice.gov.ro
• Field of activity	Central public administration – strategic evaluation of public funded programs
• Occupation or position held	**Secretary of State**

• From - To	December 2021 – March 2022
• Employer name and locality	**Ministry of European Investments and Projects**, www.mipe.gov.ro
• Main activities and responsibilities	Coordination of the Operational Program for Disadvantaged People
• Field of activity	Central public administration – strategic coordination of EU-Funded programs
• Occupation or position held	**Secretary of State**

• From - To	November 2021 – May 2023
• Employer name and locality	**Didactica Foundation** https://eri.school
• Main activities and responsibilities	Developing networks and partnerships that to support the education and development of Romanian children whose parents work abroad Organising awareness and information campaigns targeting families and institutions in charge with children whose parents work aborad
• Field of activity	**Project EduTime** – Integrated services for children from Centru region whose parents work abroad (co-financed by the European Union through the Operational Human Capital Program) **Project EduFit** - Integrated services for children from Sud-Muntenia region whose parents work abroad (co-financed by the European Union through the Operational Human Capital Program)
• Occupation or position held	**Expert**

• From - To	April 2021 - present
• Employer name and locality	**Ro Agora** www.roagora.ro
• Main activities and	Company management and development

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responsibilities	Consultancy for startups and established SMEs on EU and other nonrefundable funding Training and conferences on EU Funding, entrepreneurship and startups, social economy, digital education
• Field of activity	Consultancy EU Funds, Other Nonrefundable Funds, Training
• Occupation or position held	**Managing Partner**

• From - To	December 2016 – December 2020
• Employer name and locality	**Romanian Parliament, Chamber of Deputies** www.cdep.ro
• Main activities and responsibilities	Secretary of the Industry and Services Committee, Member of the European Affairs Committee
• Field of activity	Central Public Administration
• Occupation or position held	**Member of Parliament MP**

• From - To	June 2019 – November 2019
• Employer name and locality	**Ministry of European Funds** www.mipe.gov.ro
• Field of activity	Central Public Administration
• Occupation or position held	**Minister of European Funds**

• From - To	September 2015 – January 2016
• Employer name and locality	**National Agency for Public Procurement** www.anap.gov.ro
• Main activities and responsibilities	Setting up the new agency, coordination of the implementation of the National Strategy in Public Procurement in Romania / ex-ante conditionality
• Field of activity	Public Administration
• Occupation or position held	**President of the National Agency for Public Procurement**

• From - To	March 2015 – September 2015
• Employer name and locality	**Ministry of European Funds** www.mfe.gov.ro
• Main activities and responsibilities	Coordinating the General Directorate that implemented ESF programmes 2007-2013, the General Directorate for SEE mechanism, the public procurement reform working group
• Field of activity	Central Public Administration
• Occupation or position held	**Secretary of State**

• From - To	2011-2014
• Employer name and locality	**Romanian Business School Foundation of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (RBSF) (Brasov)** www.srafbv.ro
• Field of activity	Private sector: NGO Management, Entrepreneurship, Training, Project management of EU Funded Projects
• Main activities and responsibilities	Developing and managing training programes, counselling services in business and entrepreneurship. Current organizational management (financial, human resource)
• Occupation or position held	**Executive Manager**

• From - To	2011-2013
• Employer name and locality	**RSBF (Brasov)** www.srafbv.ro - project "Entrepreneurs are coached to performance" (cofinanced by the EU through the European Social Fund)
• Field of activity	Private sector: Human Resource Development programme for managers in Center Region
• Main activities and responsibilities	Organisational and HR audit for 24 SMEs, Developing and managing 10 training programes for the audited companies management, delivering 30 training sessions for 200 managers, Managing the experts hired in the projects, managing the budget and public procurement of the project, reporting the activities to the financing authorities

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• Occupation or position held	**Project Manager – Regional Coordinator**
• From - To	2011-2014
• Employer name and locality	**RSBF (Brasov)** www.srafbv.ro - Project "Developping management and entrepreneurship competencies of SMEs in order to improve their organisational efficiency and make use of business opportunities" (cofinanced by the EU through the European Social Fund)
• Field of activity	Private sector: Human Resource Development program for SME managers, startup entrepreneurs, business owners and SME marketing employees in Center Region
• Main activities and responsibilities	Managing entrepreneurship training programmes for 550 participants, Trainer in the sessions "How to set up you own startup", Managing the experts hired in the projects, managing the budget and public procurement of the project, reporting the activities to the financing authorities
• Occupation or position held	**Project Manager, Trainer – Center region**
• From - To	2011-2014
• Employer name and locality	**RSBF (Brasov)** www.srafbv.ro - Project "Improving the access of entrepreneurs at integrated business counselling and assistance – BusNetSupport network"
• Field of activity	Private sector: Human Resource Development programme for startups and SME business owners in Center Region (cofinanced by the EU through the European Social Fund)
• Main activities and responsibilities	Establishing and managing the business network in Center Region, made up of approx.100 members, managing the training sessions of the network members, managing the online platform of the network for the Centru region hub www.busnetsupport-imm.ro , Managing the experts hired in the projects, managing the budget and public procurement of the project, reporting the activities to the financing authorities
• Occupation or position held	**Project Manager – Center region**
• From - To	2013
• Employer name and locality	Chamber of Commerce and Industry **Brasov** www.ccibv.ro – project "Regions for Jobs" (cofinanced by the EU through the European Social Fund)
• Field of activity	Private sector: Business mentorship
• Main activities and responsibilities	Delivering mentorship sessions in employed and business initiation for 8 unemployed beneficiaries, reporting the activities
• Occupation or position held	**Mentor**
• From - To	2013
• Employer name and locality	Metropolitan Agency **Brasov** (www.metropolabrasov.ro) - Interreg IV C Project: "Transfer of Knowledge, Transfer of Capital"
• Field of activity	Private sector: Business management – transfer of family businesses
• Main activities and responsibilities	Exchange of best practices (delivering presentation at the headquarters of Athens Chambers for SMEs) with the members of project consortium promotion of the project, reporting the activities
• Occupation or position held	**Expert**
• From - To	2009-2011
• Employer name and locality	Eurokorona **Brasov**
• Field of activity	Private sector: Consultancy in EU-funded programmes, project management, strategic planning for local communities
• Main activities and responsibilities	Current organizational management, coordinating applications for accessing Structural Funds and Rural Development Funds as well as national financing

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	schemes, elaboration of local development strategies, managing training programmes in local development, financing projects.
• Occupation or position held	**Manager, Trainer**

• From - To	2010
• Employer name and locality	**Prejmer City Hall** - project cofinanced by European Rural and Agricultural Development Fund
• Field of activity	Public sector: Rural development, Project Management
• Main activities and responsibilities	Elaboration of the Local Development Plan for the Local Action Group made up of 7 townships, private companies and civil society representatives from South-East of Brasov County. Consultancy for implementing the the project "Local Development Strategy of the LAG Curbura Carpatilor – Sustainable Development Association Curbura Carpatilor"
• Occupation or position held	**Expert**

• From - To	2010
• Employer name and locality	Versus Project www.versusproject.ro - project "Development Strategy for Brasov County – horizon 2013-2020-2030" (cofinanced through the European Social Fund)
• Field of activity	Private sector: Training for strategic planning in local communities
• Main activities and responsibilities	Preparation and delivery of the following training sessions to approx. 100 employees in local public administration in Brasov county: Local Development, Strategic Planning in Local Communities
• Occupation or position held	**Trainer**

• From - To	2009
• Employer name and locality	**Prefecture of Brasov County** www.prefecturabrasov.ro
• Field of activity	Public sector: Public administration: representing the Romanian Government in Brasov county
• Main activities and responsibilities	Coordinating governmental public service institutions at county and local level, coordinating the European affairs & external relations activities
• Occupation or position held	**Deputy prefect – Brasov county**

• From - To	2008-2009
• Employer name and locality	Employers Organization for Romanian Public Services www.psp.ro
• Field of activity	Private sector: Training for public utilities companies
• Main activities and responsibilities	Delivering lectures on accessing EU funding and on local development strategies for public utilities companies during conferences organized both in Romania and Greece
• Occupation or position held	**Lecturer**

• From - To	2008-2009
• Employer name and locality	**Standard Management & Consulting**
• Field of activity	Private sector: Management, consultancy
• Main activities and responsibilities	Development of the client portofolio, setup and management of the consultancy division in the company
• Occupation or position held	**Manager**

• From - To	2006-2008
• Employer name and locality	**Project Europa Regional**
• Field of activity	Private sector: European affairs & lobby, EU project financing, project management, Client management
• Main activities and	Development / coordination of the public client portfolio, elaboration of

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responsibilities	applications for financing through EU preaccession PHARE schemes, delivering thematic training sessions on accessing EU funds in Romania, elaboration of local development strategies for over 30 local communities from the Southern regions of Romania Authored the content of the information product "Financing Opportunities for SMEs after Romania.s accession to the European Union" (dec. 2006, copyright Project Europa Regional) Authored the content of the information guide "Local actors in Romania and their role in the EU Cohesion Policy" (April 2008, copyright European Socialist Group in the European Parliament)
• Occupation or position held	**Project Manager**

• From - To	1 October 2005 – 10 December 2006 1 October 2005 – 15 December 2005
• Employer name and locality	European Office in Brussels of the National Union of County Councils of Romania
• Main activities and responsibilities	Promoting Brasov county, initiating partnerships and developing projects with other regions represented in Brussels and with the European institutions Trainee in European lobby sessions, Collaboration with the Committee of the Region
• Occupation or position held	**Delegate / representative of Brasov County Council 2005, 2006**

• From - To	15 Mach 2004 - 1 October 2006
• Employer name and locality	**Ministry of European Integration**
• Field of activity	Central Public Administration
• Main activities and responsibilities	Drafting the priority list in European affairs for the Prefecture, for the public governmental services in the county and for local authorities in Brasov county Elaboration of the Modernization Strategy for Brasov County Prefecture and implementation/monitoring of the Action Plan Monitoring the implementation of the EU legislation / acquis communautaire in Brasov county Information and counseling in European Affairs for the governmental services, local public authorities, civil society organizations Initiating / Organising events and information campaigns on topics related to European policies applied at local level in Romania Accessing PHARE EU financing for the information campaigns of the Prefecture Monitoring the implementation of 15 projects financed in Brasov County through Phare 2002 – Modernization Fund for the Development of Local Public Administration
• Occupation or position held	**European Integration Councilor**

Local Elected Positions	2004 – 2008 - County councilor – Braşov County Council 2011 – 2012 - County councilor – Braşov County Council
Political Positions	2000 - present - Member of PSD – Partidul Social Democrat

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

• From - To	May 2022 – July 2023
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Vital Voices** www.vitalvoices.org

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List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Advancing women's political leadership and the Sustainable Development Goals
• Qualification awarded	VV Engage Fellow

• From - To	January 2021 – June 2023
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Harvard Kennedy School of Government** https://www.hks.harvard.edu
List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Women leadership
• Qualification awarded	Public Leadership Credential PLC Certificate

• From - To	September 2012
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**National Agency for Community Programmes in Education and Vocational Training** www.tinact.ro
• Qualification awarded	Certificate – Proposal writing for the Youth in Action programme - the European Voluntary Service component

• From - To	2011
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Brasov Chamber of Commerce and Industry** www.ccibv.ro
• List of main subjects main or skills acquired	Marketing training programmes; drafting training programmes for adults; organising training programmes and internships; quality management of training programmes and internships
• Qualification awarded	Graduation certificate – Trainer of Trainers (COR 241207)

• From - To	November 2009
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Versus Project** www.versusproject.ro
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Defining the goal of the project, Integrated management requirements in a project, planning activities in a project, managing costs and resources, acquisitions and public procurement procedures in projects, risk management, Project-team management, communication management, quality management
• Qualification awarded	Graduation certificate – Project Manager (COR 241919)

• From - To	April - July 2009
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**National Institute for Administration** www.ina.gov.ro
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Public Management, Strategic Planning, Institutional Communication, Project Management, European Affairs, Human Resource Management
• Qualification awarded	Graduation certificate - Training Programme for higher civil servants

• From - To	July 2009
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**University of Bucharest, University of Angers**

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• List of principal subjects covered or skills acquired	Entrepreneurial initiatives and regional development. International comparisons.
• Qualification awarded	Certificate of attendance

• From - To	5-12 September 2008
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Consultancy Center for Local Development, EDEXY Hellenic Municipal Financial Services**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Financing local projects, support instruments for local authorities, Politics and practices in local development – Summer School of Local Authorities and Public Utilities Companies
• Qualification awarded	Certificate of attendance

• From - To	March 2008
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Schultz Consulting** www.schultz.ro
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Preparing the training session, delivering the training session, Evaluating the participants at the training session, Marketing of training session, Planning the training session, organising training programmes and internships; quality management of training programmes and internships
• Qualification awarded	Graduation certificate – Trainer (COR 241205)

• From - To	December 2006
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Welcomeurope Bruxelles**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Accessing Structural Funds, Accessing Community Action Programmes, developing project partnerships and European consortia
• Qualification awarded	Certificate of attendance

• From - To	July 2006
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Council of Europe** www.cor.eu.int **Summer University for Democracy of the School for Political Studies (Strasbourg)**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Democracy and governance, how to involve public local authorities in the European Integration Process, the role of mass media in East-European Societies, political leaders and change management
• Qualification awarded	Certificate of Attendance

• From - To	May 2005 – July 2006
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Ovidiu Șincai Social Democrat Institute - European School – Transsylvania**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Political decision-making, democracy, leadership in politics and civil society
• Qualification awarded	Certificate of Attendance

• From - To	2005
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Ministry of Administration and Internal Affairs, Ministry of Public Finance – PHARE project**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Local Budgets, Financial Resources, Budgetary decision-making, local taxing policy, Public spending at local level

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• Qualification awarded	Certificate of Attendance

• From - To	October 2003 – March 2005
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**Christian University Dimitrie Cantemir - Bucharest**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Economic European Integration, Community Law, Management of Community Programmes, Common Policies of the European Union, Euromarketing, International Negotiations
• Qualification awarded	**Master's Degree (MA) in European Integration**

• From - To	February 2005
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	**International University of Vienna, Austria**
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Human Resource Management from the perspective of European Integration
• Denumirea titlului obtinut	**Certificate of Attendance**

• From - To	October 1998 – June 2002
• Education or training organisation's name and locality	University of Bucharest, Faculty of Political and Administrative Science, Political Science in English
• List of main subjects covered or skills acquired	Political Science, International Law, European Politics, European Policies, International Relations, Community Law, Diplomatic law, Statistics, European History
• Qualification awarded	**BA - University Degree in Political Science in English**

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Mother tongue	Romanian - fluent
Other languages	English – fluent (TOEFL Test score 115 of 120 / January 26, 2020 French - proficient

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