



## **National Association of Romanian Bars**



## **National Institute for the Training and Improvement of Lawyers**

This **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING** ("MOU") is made this 28 day of April 2010;

### **BETWEEN:**

- (1) **THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ROMANIAN BARS** (the "UNBR");
- (2) **THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR THE TRAINING AND IMPROVEMENT OF LAWYERS IN ROMANIA** (the "INPPA"); and
- (3) **THE LAW SOCIETY OF ENGLAND AND WALES** (the "Law Society").

For the purposes of this MOU, the UNBR, the INPPA and the Law Society shall be referred to collectively, as the "**Parties**" and each, individually, shall be referred to as a "**Party**".

This MOU is entered into in recognition of the existing co-operation between the Law Society and the UNBR and the desire to provide a framework through which the Law Society and the UNBR can share their professional expertise and experience for the benefit of the INPPA and for the continued development of a positive and mutually beneficial relationship between the legal professions in Romania and England & Wales.

### **1. INTRODUCTION**




- 1.1 This MOU is entered into in pursuance of the aim of the UNBR and the INPPA to establish and operate a training of trainers programme for trainers at the INPPA (the "**Programme**").
- 1.2 The INPPA wishes to build its capacity to provide more professionally oriented and interactive training to Romanian lawyers. The Programme is intended to assist the INPPA to do the following:

- (a) equip trainers at the INPPA to deliver courses on practical skills such as drafting, interviewing, negotiating and advocacy to their students;
- (b) promote the INPPA as institution of legal-professional excellence in Romania; and
- (c) make the INPPA a widely and continuously used resource for legal professionals in Romania.

## 2. OBLIGATIONS OF PARTIES

- 2.1 The Parties will work together to design a framework for the Programme and agree the method, timing and funding for delivery of the Programme.
- 2.2 The Law Society will provide expertise and logistical support to the UNBR and the INPPA to assist in the design and delivery of the Programme and will advise on the start-up and continued operation of the Programme.
- 2.3 The INPPA will be responsible for the overall management of the Programme under the guidance of the UNBR and the Law Society.
- 2.4 The UNBR will support the INPPA in promoting the Programme and the INPPA as a centre of legal professional excellence in Romania.
- 2.5 The obligations detailed in this MOU and the delivery of the Programme are strictly subject to the conclusion of a further agreement between the Parties detailing the exact timing, funding and responsibilities for delivery of, the Programme. For the avoidance of doubt the Parties do not intend this MOU to be legally binding.

Signed on Wednesday 28 April 2010

<p>On behalf of The National Association of Romanian Bars</p>  <p><b>Gheorghe Florea, PhD</b> President</p>	<p>On behalf of The National Institute for the Training and Improvement of Lawyers</p>  <p><b>Gheorghe Florea, PhD</b> President of the Board</p>	<p>On behalf of The Law Society of England &amp; Wales</p>  <p><b>David McIntosh QC</b> Chairman of the International Issues Committee</p>
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