



# Importance of Parliament in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda

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# Sustainable Development in Romania

- **Political support for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Romania** began in April 2016, when both houses of the Romanian Parliament declared their full support for the implementation of the 17 SDGs, a first among the 176 members of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.
- In May 2017, the **Department of Sustainable Development** was established within the Government's Working Apparatus through to coordinate the implementation of the SDGs on a National Level
- The Romanian Parliament was the first parliament out of 176 members of the Inter-Parliamentary Union that has expressed its commitment for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda .

# Parliament-Government Relations

- The Romanian parliament as the seat of Romanian democracy, **is at the core of all initiatives that shape sustainable development in Romania.**
- The Romanian Parliament as the main legislative body, works closely with the Department of Sustainable Development of the Romanian Government, thus creating a more sustainable and durable society, actively engaging both the executive and legislative power. **The Department of Sustainable Development is the main coordinating body of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda on a national level.**
- The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Romanian Parliament has established in 2016 a subcommittee that focuses entirely on sustainable development and the 2030 Agenda.

# Plans and Strategies in collaboration with the Department of Sustainable Development

- National plans and strategies, such as Romania's Sustainable Development Strategy that was adopted in 2018 and developed by the Department of Sustainable Development, represent the basis on which policy makers can create change.
- The department, as an official body of the Romanian Government, secures a direct link between the Government and the Parliament.
- The DSD presents annually in front of the Parliament a report regarding the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
- Both the Department and the Parliament are working towards the establishment of a Committee on Sustainable Development within the Romanian Senate.

# Romania's role in the region

- Romania prides itself on its key role in the region, as a major vector of democracy, promoting a rules based international order, with democratic values at heart.
- Romania is considered a **regional hub** regarding the implementation of the 2030 Agenda because we have a **coherent vision**; we are very actively promoting the SDGs; we designed and develop a **strong institutional framework**.



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**Thank you!**

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