
**AGENDA OF THE RULE OF LAW FORUM, 2nd Edition,
20 October 2026, Bucharest, Romania**

DAY 1 – TUESDAY, 20 OCTOBER, Location: Central University Library “Carol I” (BCU)

Part I: 08:30–14:00 |Plenary Session, AULA (ENG/RO)

08:30 – 09:45 Welcome coffee, Registration & Visit of the Anniversary Exhibition “ROMANIA AND THE VENICE COMMISSION: 1991–PRESENT, A Constitutional Journey for Democracy through Law:

Curators: **Simona GRANATA-MENGHINI**, Director, Secretary of the Venice Commission and **Laura Iuliana SCÂNTEI**, Judge, Constitutional Court of Romania

09:45 – 10:30 Welcome remarks (RO/ENG, with simultaneous interpretation)

- **Mireille – Carmen RĂDOI** – General Director of the “Carol I” Central University Library
- **Prof. Norbert LAMMERT** — Honorary Chairman of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung; former President of the German Bundestag
- **Prof. Răzvan DINCĂ** — Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Bucharest
- **Mara ROMAN** — Acting Head of the European Commission Representation in Romania;
- **Laura Iuliana SCÂNTEI** – Judge, Constitutional Court of Romania, Member of the Venice Commission

10:30 – 10:45 Keynote speech of the Forum (ENG with simultaneous interpretation in RO):

- **H.E. Prof. Marta CARTABIA** — President, Venice Commission of the Council of Europe: **Presentation of the Updated Rule of Law Checklist**

10:45 – 11:00 Special Address by the President of Romania

- **H.E. Mr. Nicușor DAN**, President of Romania (RO with simultaneous interpretation in ENG)

11:00 – 11:30 Moderated Discussion and Q&A with H.E. Prof. Marta CARTABIA

Moderator: Cătălin STRIBLEA, Journalist, Radio Host at Europa FM & Co-founder of “Vorbitorincii”

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break (+Official photo in the Aula & Royal Stairs)

12:00 – 14:00 High-level interventions. European Rule-of-Law Standards in Practice: Complementary Institutional Responsibilities (RO with simultaneous interpretation in ENG)

- **Prof. Elena-Simina TĂNĂSESCU** — President of the Constitutional Court of Romania and President of the Association of Francophone Constitutional Courts
- **Judge Octavia SPINEANU-MATEI** - President of the Eighth Chamber, Court of Justice of the European Union; representing the CJEU
- **Judge Ana Hermina IANCU** – Vice-President of the High Court of Cassation and Justice of Romania
- **Judge Sebastian RĂDULEȚU** - Judge at the European Court of Human Rights
- **Judge Ion GÂLEA** - President of the Eighth Chamber of the General Court of the European Union

Moderator: associate prof. Bogdan DIMA (Faculty of Law, University of Bucharest)

14:00-15:00 – Light lunch & networking

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Part II: 15:00 – 18:30 | Panels

15:00 – 16:30 Aula, (BCU) Panel 1 - Measuring the Rule of Law. Methods, Metrics and Efficiency – ENG with simultaneous interpretation Coordinator – Prof. Vlad PERJU, Harvard University Speakers: ▪ Diane ANGERMUELLER, Policy officer, European Commission, DG Justice and Consumers, Rule of Law ▪ Simona GRANATA-MENGHINI, Director, Secretary of the Venice Commission ▪ Srirak PLIPAT, Senior Director at the World Justice Project;	15:00 – 16:30 Salon Carol I, (BCU) Panel 2 - Constitutional Review as Cornerstone of the Rule of Law – ENG/RO with simultaneous interpretation Coordinator – judge Laura Iuliana SCÂNTEI, Constitutional Court of Romania, Member of the Venice Commission Speakers: ▪ Domnica MANOLE, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Moldova ▪ Mariana RODRIGUES CANOTILHO, Justice of the Constitutional Court of Portugal ▪ Bojan TUBIĆ, Justice of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Serbia ▪ Renata BJELICA, Adviser to the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Serbia
16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break	
17:00 – 18:30 AULA - BCU ENG/RO with simultaneous interpretation Panel 3 - Artificial Intelligence and Electoral Integrity, ENG/RO with simultaneous interpretation Coordinator: Prof. Alexandra IANCU, Dean of the Faculty of Political Science, Univ. of Bucharest Speakers: ▪ Eirik HOLMØYVIK, Vice-President of the Venice Commission, Professor of Constitutional Law at the University of Bergen ▪ Claudiu D. TUFIS, Associate Professor of Political Science, Faculty of Political Science, University of Bucharest; ▪ Septimius PÂRVU, Expert in good governance and elections at Expert Forum ▪ Cosmin Gabriel POPP, Vice-president of the Permanent Electoral Authority of Romania ▪ Ovidiu OPROAICA - Director of the General Directorate of Information Technology, Permanent Electoral Authority of Romania	