The **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development** (IBRD) provides assistance to middle income countries. IBRD obtains most of its funds through the sales of bonds in international capital markets. Romania joined IBRD in 1972. [www.worldbank.org/ibrd](http://www.worldbank.org/ibrd)

The **International Finance Corporation** (IFC) promotes growth in client countries by financing private sector investments. Romania joined IFC in 1991. [www.ifc.org](http://www.ifc.org)

The **International Development Association** (IDA) assists the poorest countries by providing interest-free loans, technical assistance and policy advice. Romania joined IDA as a donor in 2014. [www.worldbank.org/ida](http://www.worldbank.org/ida)

The **Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency** (MIGA) helps encourage foreign investment by providing guarantees to foreign investors against loss caused by non-commercial risks in developing countries, thereby creating investment opportunities in those countries. Romania joined MIGA in 1992. [www.miga.org](http://www.miga.org)

The **International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)** provides facilities for the settlement by conciliation or arbitration of investment disputes between foreign investors and their host countries. Romania joined ICSID in 1974. [www.worldbank.org/icsid](http://www.worldbank.org/icsid)
WBG INSTRUMENTS

Knowledge
- ADVISORY SERVICES AND ANALYTICS (ASA)
- REIMBURSABLE ADVISORY SERVICES (RAS)
- IFC ADVISORY SERVICES

Financing
- INVESTMENT PROJECT FINANCING (IPF)
- DEVELOPMENT POLICY LENDING (DPL)
- CATASTROPHE DPL DEFERRED DRAWDOWN OPTION (DPL DDO)
- IFC INVESTMENTS
- GUARANTEES
- PROGRAM FOR RESULTS (PforR)
- TRUST FUNDS

Financial products & services
- IBRD FLEXIBLE LOAN
- LOCAL CURRENCY LOANS
- FINANCING FOR SUBNATIONALS
- CONTINGENT FINANCING

Convening
- CONFERENCES
- SOUTH-SOUTH EXCHANGE
- FACILITATION
- PARTNERSHIPS
THE WORLD BANK GROUP (WBG) HAS LAUNCHED THE PREPARATION PROCESS FOR ITS NEW PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK WITH ROMANIA

Identifies a set of priorities through which a country may achieve poverty reduction and shared prosperity

Aims to address priority areas identified in the SCD
Romania has 2nd fastest growing economy in the EU, but this has not translated into poverty reduction

18 out of Romania’s 42 counties, are considered lagging regions, with a GDP/capita < 75% of the national average

While there are many excellent professionals, who succeed at home and abroad, 40% of 15-year-olds are functionally illiterate

Large infrastructure gap constrains investment and productivity in manufacturing, agriculture and tourism

Average incomes which are converging towards those in the rest of the EU, but there are communities throughout the country without access to basic services

Risks to climate & natural disaster events threaten the country’s economic resilience, and require urgent policy reform & infrastructure investment
SCD PRIORITIES

Increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the Institutions in public service delivery
- Enhance transparency and access to information
- Develop a management framework for public investment for budgetary and EU funds
- Depoliticize the public administration

1. Ensure equal opportunities and high quality public service delivery for all
   - Promote human capital development
   - Provide equitable access to high-quality public services

2. Catalyze private sector growth and competitiveness
   - Enhance infrastructure and connectivity
   - Create a vibrant business environment
   - Reduce labor market mismatch and rigidities

3. Build resilience for sustainable growth
   - Making policy, legal and institutional environment risk-informed
   - Strengthen adaptation to climate change
PROPOSED CPF

Overarching goal:
BUILD INSTITUTIONS FIT
FOR A PROSPEROUS AND INCLUSIVE ROMANIA

Bridge Social and Economic Divides by Investing in Human Capital

Focus Area I

- Increase access to quality education
  
  Objective 1

- Increase access to quality health services
  
  Objective 2

- Connect the poor and vulnerable to job opportunities
  
  Objective 3

Catalyze Private Sector Growth and Competitiveness

Focus Area II

- Improve transport and energy infrastructure
  
  Objective 4

- Boost local capacity to promote private sector development
  
  Objective 5

- Accelerate capital market development and access to finance
  
  Objective 6

- Increase value added of domestic industry
  
  Objective 7

Build Resilience to Shocks

Focus Area III

- Improve preparedness to natural disasters
  
  Objective 8

- Strengthen adaptation to climate change
  
  Objective 9

- Strengthen capacity for stable and predictable public policy
  
  Objective 10

FILTERS

- Build Institutions
  
  Mandatory

- Reduce poverty and vulnerability including for the ROMA

- Leverage EU and Private Funding

- Promote Global Public Goods
POSSIBLE PROJECTS

Under preparation:
- Investment Loan for Preparing the Construction of Ploieşti – Braşov Highway
- Deferred Down Option Loan for Catastrophe Risk Management (CAT DDO)
- Investment Loan for Earthquake Preparedness
- Investment Loan for Justice Quarter and Esplanada District Development

Under discussions:
- Investment Loan for Water Safety Dams Rehabilitation
- Investment Loan for Developing Mountain Areas
ANNEX – WBG PORTFOLIO

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

5 Projects  $858.92M Commitments

ADVISORY SERVICES

13 RAS in implementation by end 2021

- **General Secretariat of the Government** - Strategy unit, strategic planning, regulatory impact studies, human resources management
- **Ministry of Education** - Education infrastructure strategy inputs, M&E of strategies, quality assurance in higher education
- **National Agency for Children Protection** - Deinstitutionalization of children plans
- **National Agency for Public Procurement** - Assist in implementing the public procurement strategy
- **Ministry of Public Finance** - Debt management/swap transactions
- **Ministry of Regional Development, Public Administration and European Funds** - Supporting the implementation of Romanian Human Development Programme)
- **Municipality of Constanta and Bucharest District 5** – Two Urban Development Programs using local funds