

PRESS RELEASE

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## **BUCHAREST STOCK EXCHANGE AND SIBEX – SIBIU STOCK EXCHANGE CONCLUDED AN AGREEMENT**

[Bucharest Stock Exchange \(BVB\)](#) announces the conclusion of a coordination agreement with [SIBEX – SIBIU STOCK EXCHANGE S.A.](#) that will allow carrying out of concrete steps in the following period toward the potential merger process between the two companies. The agreement allows the implementation of critical elements for such a process, i.e. the phase of the evaluation of the companies. Teams of experts from both companies have been dedicated to this project in order to establish principles and conditions for collaboration, aiming at creating the fundamentals with regard to the potential merger.

Ludwik Sobolewski, CEO of the BVB commented: “We are satisfied that one of the most challenging projects among those ran by the Bucharest Stock Exchange is getting a new impulse. We believe that the absorption of the SIBEX by the BVB may enhance the market infrastructure bringing only advantages for the stakeholders of the BVB and this is the goal BVB will uncompromisingly realize when progressing with this undertaking”.

“We look for the close coordination efforts of the two teams to generate a successful project that will meet the expectations of both shareholders and market participants” said Ovidiu Petru, the CEO of SIBEX.

### About Bucharest Stock Exchange

Bucharest Stock Exchange runs markets for shares, bonds and other instruments, through regulated platforms and alternative systems, and provides a wide range of services to participants of financial markets. Bucharest Stock Exchange is a public company, listed on its own market since 2010.

### About SIBEX – Sibiu Stock Exchange

Sibex - Sibiu Stock Exchange was founded in 1994, having as initial main activity commodities intermediation. Starting with 1997 the company focused on the development and the administration of financial derivatives, such as futures contracts. Currently, SIBEX is market operator and administrator of a derivatives markets and also operator of a cash regulated market and an alternative trading system. SIBEX is since 2010 a company listed on its own regulated securities market.