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USTDA PROMOTES ICT SOLUTIONS IN ROMANIA

Supporting the Government of Romania's efforts to improve data management for legislative processes

Bucharest, Romania – The U.S. Trade and Development Agency (USTDA) is providing two grants to the Government of Romania to improve their use of information and communications technologies (ICT) in legislative processes.

Today, USTDA Director Leocadia I. Zak and Ministry of Internal Affairs State Secretary Bogdan Tohaneanu signed a grant to fund a feasibility study to consolidate the Ministry of Internal Affairs' data centers into a single modern facility. The proposed data center will have space available for co-location and disaster recovery services. The project will promote more effective delivery of services to Romanian government entities, businesses and citizens, while simultaneously yielding substantial cost savings.

This project builds upon an earlier agreement to develop modern ICT solutions to streamline legislative processes in Romania. USTDA Director Zak and State Secretary Radu Puchiu of the General Secretariat previously signed a grant for a feasibility study on a data management project. The USTDA grant will allow the General Secretariat to determine the economic, technical and financial feasibility of implementing a modern data management system that will allow Romanian Governmental entities to refine the legislative process. By increasing operational efficiency, this project will improve the organization of all documentation and correspondence pertaining to legislative processes, enhancing information security and data recovery capabilities while also increasing transparency.

“These projects are priorities for the Government of Romania due to their potential to improve data management and enhance government efficiency,” said USTDA Director Zak. “We are pleased to connect the Government of Romania with U.S. private sector expertise in order to develop Romania's ICT infrastructure.”

The opportunity to conduct the USTDA-funded feasibility studies will be competed on the Federal Business Opportunities (FBO) website. A link to the FBO announcements will be posted to USTDA's website at www.ustda.gov. Interested U.S. firms should submit proposals according to the instructions in the FBO announcements.



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