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ON HIGH SPEED

Energy transformation is irreversible, said Cristian Bușoi, Romanian MEP and chairman of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy (ITRE) of the European Parliament at the opening of the 7th edition of the Energy Strategy Summit. The road to decarbonization and green solutions is irreversible, insisted Cristian Bușoi, before the energy community in Romania, apparently knocking on open doors, as all speakers seemed to accept this idea. Less visible, however, there is some resistance to change, because Oana Mogoi (ING Bank Romania) also felt the need to address this issue: "We must understand that funding will now be directed with priority to supporting the energy transition, to sustainability. As a result, some technologies will suffer, compared to others - in practice, some technologies will be riskier [in terms of funding]. We all need to move towards the idea of sustainability and green energy", she said.

The National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP) will be updated in the next two years, in the context of new targets and ongoing discussions at the European Commission level, said Dan Dragan, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Energy. For the Romanian authorities, the direction is clear: "We are in the process of ensuring the transition from coal to natural gas and renewable energy and we want to reach the 2030 climate targets and the climate neutrality that the European Union wants to achieve in 2050".

GOOD PREMISES

Many speakers highlighted the extraordinary opportunities raised by this transformation. We are facing a technological revolution, said Cristian Pîrvulescu (Enevo): "We are talking about billions that will be invested in decarbonization, renewables, digitalization, in the European Union, the USA and all over the world". "The funding sources that will be available in the energy sector this decade through the Just Transition Fund, the National Recovery and Resilience Plan and the Modernization Fund are impressive," said Dan Drăgan.

We are facing the second wave of renewable energy development, believes Florin Pop

(EnergoBit): "I say that companies - integrators like us - are ready to face the technical challenges".

It is true that "Romania has to recover a gap when compared to Western countries", but "it can overcome it, just as it happened with the telecom industry", said Lucian Enaru, CEO of Schneider Electric.

Romania is "among the few countries that has everything it needs to produce blue hydrogen" (Cătălin Stancu, Associated Senior Expert, Horvath & Partners). Moreover, given that the energy transition focuses on hydrogen, "Romania is very well placed, as gas networks can contribute in the future to the hydrogen integration" (Dragoș Bărbolescu, CFO, E.ON Romania). "For a start, hydrogen produced from natural gas can be a precursor to green hydrogen", said Georgian Albu, general manager of Future Energy Leaders (FEL) Romania, CNR-CME's youth platform. "The biggest advantage for Romania in embracing green hydrogen as a solution for the future is to unlock investments in renewables."

HARMONIZATION OF LEGISLATION

The Romanian MEPs, together with all the representatives of Romania in the European negotiating forums, "must see to what extent certain proposals put Romania in a difficult situation" and they must "express their point of view". At the national level, "the still unharmonized legislation puts a brake on new solar energy projects" (Adrian Moldovanu, Head of Business Development Romania, Greencells), "the national hydrogen strategy and a political commitment to the future energy mix are missing", "the legislation does not allow the correlation of new energy projects with local development plans" (Dragoș Bărbolescu, E.ON Romania), and the procedures must be accelerated throughout the process of accessing European funds (Adrian Dumitriu, Chimcomplex).

Cristina Prună, vice-president of the Chamber of Deputies, listed the main legislative projects and strategic documents which are currently under scrutiny: Energy law, Offshore law,

vulnerable consumer law, the National Energy Strategy, the Hydrogen Strategy.

"The market is waiting for the main legislative changes to start new investments: long-term bilateral contracts (PPAs), the support scheme through Contracts for Difference (CfDs) and other provisions to stimulate investors" (Ramona Kurko, BCR). "Sustainable financing is growing worldwide, [but] in Romania such instruments are more difficult to develop" (Oana Mogoi, ING Bank Romania).

From the point of view of new nuclear technologies, the national legislation is completely harmonized with the European one and allows the licensing of small modular reactors (SMRs) (Mădălina Coca, CNCAN). Nuclearelectrica monitors and evaluates the progress of various technologies, anticipating that small modular nuclear units will be ready to be used sometime after 2030, maybe even after 2035, believes Teodor Chirica, member of the Board Nuclearelectrica. One of their advantages is the increased speed with which SMRs could be built and integrated into the power grid, in existing locations or isolated areas (Alan Woods, Rolls-Royce).

SPEED IS KEY AND IT TAKES COURAGE

Răzvan Copoiu, CEO of Signify Romania and South-Eastern Europe, said it loud and clear, and for this "it is necessary to attract specialists, a very good collaboration with consultants in European funds, public administration and companies are needed". Lucian Enaru, CEO of Schneider Electric, said: "An implementation or a development at the pace we have been accustomed to so far is not enough. We have to accelerate it because we have important steps to recover".

The overall feeling is that the rhythm of the transition can be accelerated given some extra courage added. It takes courage to work for the decades to come. It takes courage to address opportunities from abroad and to start "producing technology, rather than integrating or consuming technology" (Cristian Pîrvulescu, Enevo). "Electrica must be more courageous in developing its own electricity production projects," said Corina Popescu, CEO of the group. "For us, the biggest enemy is time", said Lăcrămioara Diaconu-Pințea, a member of the Board of Directors of CE Oltenia, emphasizing

the speed theme once again. "CE Oltenia is developing numerous new investments and plans to collaborate with other investors and financiers to achieve them", she explained, referring to over 40 invited companies, of which 20 expressed interest. "We have almost 10 Romanian and international banks that we have been talking to since the beginning of the year", said Lăcrămioara Diaconu-Pințea.

STRONG LOCAL INDUSTRY

"In order to develop large energy projects, we need a very strong horizontal industry," said Corina Truică, CEO, Automatica, in a direct call targeting the government officials. Regarding the industry, Corina Truică proposed "to further integrate the social sciences in the process of product development to understand the psychology of the people we want to help". In the same vein, Corina Popescu, CEO of Electrica, considers that "in this decade we must change our way of thinking", in order to work in an energy system "in which the final consumer begins to play an active role".

Strongly correlated to the European realities, the Romanian energy industry is under a strong sense of emergency. Building upon the three decades of fast economic and social convergence, the country is on a hurry to reap the benefits while paying the costs for the energy transition.

FLORIN CÎȚU, PRIME MINISTER OF ROMANIA (JULY 22, 2021)

“ Yes, we want to be a competitive and clean economy, but the transition comes with a cost. From our point of view, the speed with which Romania will make this transition will be different from the speed we will see in other countries. At the same time, of course, the support will have to be greater from our European partners if we are to increase speed.



ALIN MĂRGĂRIT, PUBLIC MANAGER IN THE MINISTRY OF EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS AND PROJECTS

“ The Ministry aims to overcome, by the end of the year, at least the stages of informal negotiation, as well as the transmission of the final drafts of the operational programs. We hope that at the beginning of next year – if we do not have a positive surprise, which is some of the calls to be launched before – we will be able to launch the first calls for projects.



KRISTIAN RUBY, SECRETARY-GENERAL OF EURELECTRIC

“ We tend to forget that 70% of the new capacity that we need to deploy will be added to the medium voltage and the low voltage grids. We have to prioritize the distribution grid investments as part of the recovery and resilience plans.



ANDREAS LIER, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF BASF ROMÂNIA

“ Romania offers a perfect production environment for green hydrogen for example – with wind farms, solar parks and water energy. Romania has a great chance to power its industry with green energy and also export this green energy / hydrogen in significant quantities.

FLORIN FRUNZĂ, CEO MET ROMÂNIA ENERGY

“ One of our ambitions for the coming years is to develop new generation capacities based on renewable sources. We already have the first investments in Bulgaria, Hungary, Serbia and I hope to soon become producers of renewable energy in Romania as well.



GEORGIAN ALBU, GENERAL MANAGER FUTURE ENERGY LEADERS (FEL) ROMANIA,
THE YOUTH PLATFORM OF RNC-WEC

“ The biggest advantage for Romania, in embracing green hydrogen as a solution for the future, is to unblock investments in renewables. For a start, hydrogen produced from natural gas can be a precursor to green hydrogen.



NICOLAE VLĂDUȚ, DIRECTOR OF THE TECHNICAL, ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES DEPARTMENT, TRANSELECTRICA

“ Transelectrica is working to develop the network in such a way as to ensure the possibility to take over power from areas with excess energy production and move it to areas in deficit.



CĂTĂLIN STANCU, ASSOCIATED SENIOR EXPERT, HORVATH & PARTNERS

“ Romania will have an extremely difficult challenge to solve in the medium term – the absorption of European funds, but it is one of the few countries that has everything it needs to make blue hydrogen.



RAMONA KURKO, HEAD OF ENERGY&UTILITIES, CORPORATE BANKING BCR

“ The market is waiting for the main legislative changes to start new investments: long-term bilateral contracts (PPAs), the Contracts for Difference (CfD) support scheme and other provisions that stimulate investors, ensuring long-term legislative stability and predictability.



CORINA TRUICĂ, CEO, AUTOMATICA

“ In order to develop major energy projects, we need a very strong horizontal industry.



LUCIAN ENARU, CEO SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC

“ Romania has a gap to recover when compared to the Western countries, which it can overcome, just as it happened in the telecom industry. Now everybody talks about digitalization. We ought to want more and accelerate the integration process during this period. Although the domestic market opportunities are important, we have to position ourselves in a global context, we must not limit ourselves.

ADRIAN MOLDOVANU, HEAD OF BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ROMANIA, GREENCELLS

“ Unharmonized legislation puts a brake on new solar energy projects for the moment. The Greencells group issued a green bond on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and raised 25 million euros for investments. We have a big appetite for Romania, but we see an inconsistency between statements and actions.



RĂZVAN COPOIU, CEO SIGNIFY ROMANIA AND SOUTH-EASTERN EUROPE

“ Speed is important in accessing funds and concluding contracts. For this, we need to attract the specialists through a very good collaboration with consultants in European funds, public administration and companies.

OANA MOGOI, SECTOR HEAD UTILITIES & NATURAL RESOURCES, ING BANK ROMÂNIA

“ Sustainable financing is growing worldwide, and the ING group has managed to mediate, in 2020 alone, more than 60 green bond issues with an average value of over 1 billion euros. In Romania such tools are more difficult to develop.

DRAGOŞ BĂRBULESCU, CFO, E.ON ROMÂNIA

“ The energy transition has brought hydrogen to the center, as it is also an important element of energy storage, especially for producers from renewable sources. From this perspective, Romania is very well placed, as gas networks can contribute in the future to the integration of hydrogen.



CRISTIAN PÎRVULESCU, CEO ENEVO

“ It is the time to remember that we all are engineers and we do not necessarily have to be the beneficiaries of the technology, but to be more daring as entrepreneurs and to start producing technology, rather than integrating or consuming technology.



ADRIAN PARASCHIV, COUNTRY MANAGER PHOTOMATE

“ With the development of technology use in the context of pandemic and lockdown, more and more people have realized the increased need for energy efficiency and cost reductions that can be achieved.



FLORIN POP, GENERAL MANAGER, ENERGOBIT

“ Access to real-time data allows operators to make the right decision (for example in smart metering), thus digitalization must be a fact, not something extraordinary.



ADRIAN DUMITRIU, CFO CHIMCOMPLEX

“ Chimcomplex has very ambitious plans in terms of development in the polyols segment, part of the polyurethane foams that represent the most efficient method of insulating buildings. We will see not only in the NRRPs, but in other EU's plans, that this building rehabilitation sector plays an important role. Our products are the most effective tool for thermal rehabilitation.



ADRIAN PARASCHIV, COUNTRY MANAGER PHOTOMATE

” In Romania, we are waiting to see high-capacity investments – of 10-50-100 MW. In order to be able to connect more and more such systems, investments must also be made in the transmission system and more connections must be made with the surrounding countries so that excess energy can be exported and producers benefit from exposure in those markets.



LĂCRĂMIOARA DIACONU-PINȚEA, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF CE OLTEA

” The CE Oltenia's restructuring plan is not just about Romania's energy security. It's about people – how we take care of them, and it's about investment [because] we have to replace the coal with something else.

CRISTIAN BUȘOI, MEP

” The energy transformation is irreversible. We need to understand that the road is irreversible and to understand what the opportunities are – there are many opportunities that can be extremely important for the Romanian business environment and for the main actors of the energy industry.



ZOLTAN NAGY-BEGE,
VICE-PRESIDENT OF
ANRE

” Romania is in dire need of clean production capacity to replace coal-fired power plants.



BOGDAN CHIRIȚOIU, PRESIDENT OF THE COMPETITION COUNCIL

” The restructuring process of state-owned companies remains a difficult one and it is important that the Romanian state does not lose so much money.

CORINA POPESCU, CEO ELECTRICA

“ We need to change our mindset in this decade. If in the past, at the European level, the final consumer was at the center of electricity and gas developments, this decade is the one in which the final consumer begins to play an active role.



FRANCK NEEL, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF OMV PETROM

“ In Q3-Q4 we will come to the market with the new strategy of OMV Petrom. First of all, we see the Black Sea development as very important for OMV Petrom. [] We are also looking at renewables, as a way to reduce our carbon intensity and we see this ideal mix between gas and solar, because both are producing mainly during peak hours and we have the flexibility of balancing between them.



BOGDAN BADEA, CEO HIDROELECTRICA

“ A great market challenge is the lack of human resources. A second big challenge is given by the digitalization process. We will have some very concrete actions in terms of restructuring and optimizing the production process, in parallel with the process of diversification and professionalization of the staff.



RAMONA KURKO, HEAD OF ENERGY&UTILITIES, CORPORATE BANKING BCR

“ Sustainable funding is not only activity-based, but it can be based on the behavior of companies, which can set goals of strategic interest on the sustainability side and on the entire Environmental, Social and Governance palette. We are not only talking about sustainability, but also about social and governance aspects – on which performance indicators can be set.



DAN DRĂGAN, STATE SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY

“ The integrated national plan for energy and climate change (NECP) will be updated during the 2022-2023 period, in the context of new targets and ongoing discussions at the European Commission.



MĂDĂLINA COCA, HEAD OF THE NUCLEAR REACTORS REGULATION AND OVERSIGHT SECTION, CNCAN

CRISTINA PRUNĂ, VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

“ We cannot have a fair, correct transition if natural gas is not part of this story and, obviously, we need to change this offshore law in order for Black Sea projects to take place.



BOGDAN BADEA, CEO HIDROELECTRICA

“ The company's strategy is to move forward with the development of green projects. The most natural developments are in the area of photovoltaic parks, but also in the area of new wind-based capacities.

“ In 2019, we have revised our regulations on licensing to include also small modular reactors – SMRs, so there are no particular requirements that would hinder licensing of new reactors in our country. Apart from the regulatory requirements at national level, we have to comply also with the requirements in the EU nuclear safety Directive.



ZOLTAN NAGY-BEGÉ, VICE-PRESIDENT OF ANRE

“ National legislation is getting closer to European legislation – we follow exactly the same values as Europe, for sustainable low-carbon production and the fight against climate change.



TEODOR CHIRICA, MEMBER OF THE BOARD NUCLEARELECTRICA

“ Large nuclear power plants are already proven technologies, adding security and stability to the national and regional grids, while the SMRs are the response of the nuclear industry to the increased flexibility requirements of the grid. Both are part of the solutions to reach the climate objectives of carbon neutrality by 2050, together with other low carbon energy resources mainly renewable.



LUCIAN ENARU, CEO SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC

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CORINA POPESCU, CEO ELECTRICA

“ Without digitalizing the network and without implementing automation systems to help us control these processes, things cannot be controlled in the future.



ALAN WOODS, DIRECTOR STRATEGY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FOR ROLLS-ROYCE'S SMR BUSINESS

“ SMRs can play a role across a broader spectrum as the energy environment changes around us with decarbonization of the power grid. They can be placed in existing locations and in more remote locations, they can also integrate more quickly and effectively with existing grid networks.

LĂCRĂMIOARA DIACONU-PINȚEA, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF CE OLTEA

“ CE Oltenia develops numerous new investments and plans to collaborate with other investors and financiers to achieve them





CORINA TRUICĂ, CEO, AUTOMATICA

“ We need to further integrate the social sciences into the product development process in order to understand the psychology of the people we want to help. We need concepts from sociology, to develop smart cities and economics, from a broader perspective than the one strictly offered by the profit and loss account or by macro-economic data.

OANA MOGOI, SECTOR HEAD UTILITIES & NATURAL RESOURCES, ING BANK ROMÂNIA

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“ We are in the process of ensuring the transition from coal to natural gas and renewable energy, and we want to achieve the 2030 climate targets and the climate neutrality that the European Union wants to achieve by 2050.



CRISTIAN PÎRVULESCU, CEO ENEVO

“ My perception, as an entrepreneur, is that if two years ago there only were plans in my mind, these days I see that there is support, that there is the availability of partnerships and financing

DRAGOŞ BĂRBULESCU, CFO, E.ON ROMÂNIA

“ The legislation does not allow new energy projects to be correlated with local development plans and we cannot prioritize investments in a way that takes into account the volume of consumption and the potential for future consumption in those networks.



RĂZVAN COPOIU, CEO SIGNIFY ROMANIA AND SOUTH-EASTERN EUROPE

“ The consumption of energy for lighting in companies, industry, large industrial parks will be reduced to a quarter compared to current values, in the next 3-6 years. It is important to take this into account when analyzing the energy mix at a national level.



FRANCK NEEL, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF OMV PETROM

“ Romania has the opportunity to become the largest gas producer in Europe, once the Black Sea project gets the go-ahead sign.



FLORIN POP, GENERAL MANAGER, ENERGOBIT

“ We believe in the need for power storage and we believe that this is a solution for the future. We have a research department and we will come up with modular solutions for energy storage.



TEODOR CHIRICA, MEMBER OF THE BOARD NUCLEARELECTRICA

“ We do not have in this moment a strong dedicated team for implementing SMRs in Romania. However, we are evaluating the progress of different technologies, and we believe SMRs to be ready somewhere after 2030, maybe 2035.



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Keynote Speaker – **Andrew Kakabadse**, Chairman of the Board, Envisia – Boards of Elite

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Corina Popescu, CEO Electrica

Bogdan Badea, CEO Hidroelectrica

Franck Neel, member of the Board OMV Petrom

Lăcrămioara Diaconu-Pințea, member of the Board CE Oltenia

Adrian Dumitriu, CFO Chimcomplex

Adrian Moldovanu, Head Of Business Development România, Greencells Group

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Răzvan Copoiu, CEO Signify Romania and South-Eastern Europe

Lucian Enaru, CEO Schneider Electric

Dragoș Bărbulescu, deputy general manager E.ON România

Cristian Pîrvulescu, CEO Enevo Group

Adrian Paraschiv, Country Manager Photomate

Florin Pop, general manager EnergoBit

Ion Lungu, president AFEER - moderator

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Teodor Chirica, member of the Board Nuclearelectrica

Alan Woods, Director Strategy and Business Development for Rolls-Royce's SMR business

Mădălina Coca, Head of the Nuclear Reactors Regulation and Oversight Section, CNCAN

Gabriel Avăcăriței, Chief-Editor Energynamics - moderator

SESSION 3 – Financing and support schemes

Alin Mărgărit, public manager, Minister of Investments and European Projects

Oana Mogoi, Head of Utilities & Natural Resources, ING Bank România

Ramona Kurko, Head of Energy&Utilities, Corporate Banking BCR

Roxana Simon-Loeys, Principal Banker, Power & Energy Utilities, BERD

Cătălin Stancu, Associated Senior Expert, Horvath & Partners

Cristina Păun, FEL România, CNR-CME - moderator

Keynote Speaker - **Cristina Șetran**, Program Director, Project Development-Implementation, OPCOM

SESSION 4 – Energy Security

Florin Frunză, CEO MET România Energy

Gabriela Dan, president ACROPO

Georgian Albu, general manager FEL România, CNR-CME

Nicolae Vlăduț, director of the Technical Directorate, Energy Efficiency and New Technologies, Transelectrica

Adrian Borotea, vice-president RWEA - moderator

Keynote Speaker – **Kristian Ruby**, Secretary General of Eurelectric