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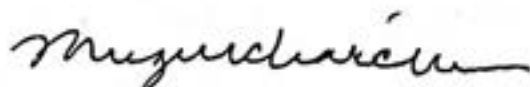
*Honoured ELEC representatives,*

*I join you in celebrating three-quarters of a century of substantial activity of ELEC, with the satisfaction of the one that has always supported the noble values your organisation embraces. I congratulate you for standing as a flame that has always kept alive the spirit of economic cooperation, regardless the restraints faced by our nations in terms of good coexistence in peace and prosperity. Nowadays, when the world is facing complex challenges and changes, it is our call to have a more prominent presence, to take specific actions. Challenges might be easier overcome if we use cooperation as the defining dimension of our actions and projections for a successful future.*

*Since 1990, when I was invested with the responsibility of managing the National Bank of Romania, I have tried to be updated with ELEC's initiatives, being appealed and inspired by the activity of its founding fathers, as well as by its generous public agenda. Therefore, I have discovered veritable sources of energy that have motivated me to resort to the cooperation solution in profiling the National Bank of Romania as a pillar for the transition of Romania to the market economy. I have relied on the experience and best practice gained due to our collaboration with the Western European central banks. Consequently, my approach to ELEC has been genuine and natural and my support for the Romanian branch has been constant.*

*I wish to be involved in ELEC's actions to find the most effective solutions to the European Union's problems, to our continent, to the world. I am convinced that only by common efforts we could say that the current generation of decision makers in charge with the European destinies, of specialists and activists in the relevant fields of the existence of our planet, did their duty in accordance with the great ideals of development, peace and welfare.*

*I wish ELEC to be the forefront in the approach of shaping the 'highways' of the future, their course making cohabitation the true resource for the general progress.*



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