

A graduation cap, a stack of books, and a rolled-up diploma. The graduation cap is black with a tassel. The books are stacked on the left. The diploma is rolled up and tied with a red ribbon on the right. The background is a light blue-grey gradient.

A possible vision on Romanian higher education in 2025

panel 3

OR

UTOPIA

ACADEMICA





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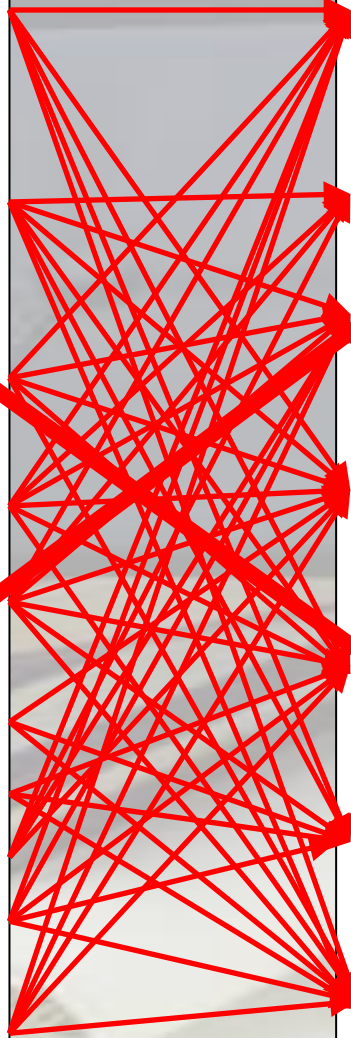
- How does the things look like from Sinaia over the time fence
- Some rectors, directors, social & economic environment representatives, students and several professors
- the team led by a Turkish footballer who plays as facilitator for Manchester United

Identified challenges in the Panel 3:

- 1:** Establishing effective institutional means of communication between the academic and social-economic environment, also comprising other stakeholders involved in the academic demarche: state institutions and individuals (students and graduates)
- 2:** Making partnerships between the organisations in the social-economic environment and universities more attractive, with a view to allowing universities to have access to additional, extra budgetary financial resources
- 3:** Strengthening the presence and mutual involvement of the social-economic environment in the academic development, and respectively of the institutions and members of the academic environment in the life of the society and organisations belonging to the social-economic environment
- 4:** Increasing the national level performance related to innovation capacity and innovation implementation.
- 5:** Increasing the technological transfer capacity of universities
- 6:** Increasing the capacity to protect and valorise intellectual property and the development of institutions to support innovation.
- 7:** University participation in cluster and PPP type developments
- 8:** Developing the excellence research infrastructures (students and graduates)
- 9:** Developing in universities for an organisational and individual culture of social accountability and regaining the society respect and confidence in the academic demarche
- 10:** Developing for a culture of innovation

In 2025 România will have a higher education system that:

1. Is recognized, respected and treated as a national priority by the Romanian society and its government.
33,50,52
2. Is fully integrated in the European Area of Higher Education and Research and open to world.
7, 18, 22, 40, 46, 48
3. Is enjoying of international recognition and visibility due to its excellence.
2,42
4. Is capable to process, create, use and transfer of knowledge and technology.
11, 35, 38, 39, 43
5. Assure the welfare of society and individuals by the access to knowledge.
1,2,6,15,16, 25, 32, 36, 41
6. Assure equity and equal chances in the access to knowledge.
1,2,4,10,15,19,31,34
7. All the providing institutions are fully accountable to the individuals and to the society for the quality of provided knowledge.
8,14,17,27,28,37,47,53



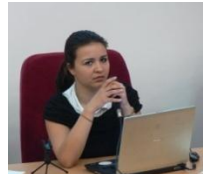
HE System in Romania of 2025:

- 1. It is recognized, respected and treated as a national priority by the Romanian society and by its political leaders;**
- 2. It is European-integrated and internationally opened;**
- 3. Takes advantage of a wide recognition and international visibility because of its universities that proved excellency;**
- 4. It is able to process, create, use and transfer technology and knowledge;**
- 5. It assures the society welfare through knowledge;**
- 6. It assures equity and equal chances for people when accessing the knowledge;**
- 7. All the HEI are responsible in respect to the society and individual for the quality of the Provided knowledge.**

Instead of Introduction



The State, its institutions, the political parties and the politicians, the economy, companies and their owners, universities, their Rectors and professors, unions and their leaders, students, graduates and their organizations, all speak same language, understand each other and act together for the good of the Romanian higher education.



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Credit where it's due

S&P's Daven Sharma
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Oh, grow up

US politics is meant to be rough
JAMES CARVILLE Page 11

Unfair value?

The strains of marking to market
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Romania announces "no more Chinese students"



Carlyle chief in pledge to failed fund investors

By Marko Anand in Geneva and Neill Stander in Dubai

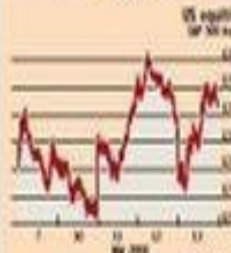
David Robinson, co-founder of the Carlyle Group, yesterday pledged to compensate investors for the collapse of a \$1.6bn mortgage-backed securities fund his private equity group bought seven months ago.

Speaking after talks with banks to rescue Carlyle Capital Corporation, Mr Robinson said the Financial Times "is not what you had me of. It was not a mortgage but a real estate fund."

Robinson said "I have never looked at products in the past and we are working to ways to address the issues that are being raised by investors, and I'm sure Carlyle was receiving the legal advice about compensating investors to CCC, a very real legal matter."

CCC, 30 per cent owned by investors of the Carlyle Group, had no better news likely to be the preservation of its remaining assets and liquidation than after it ran out of cash in early August 2025 - the standard price.

CCC's collapse was the first major collapse of the global mortgage fund in coming in the financial markets as interest rates rose to 10 per cent.



News Briefing

Market surprises with forecast-busting sales

Steel, the world's biggest trade group, posted surprises with an unexpected rise in the steel price, despite a weak global economy. Page 10.

EU-USA trade summit

The latest summit of the board of International Economic Exchange gave mixed signals on whether there was a chance of a trade deal with China in 2027. Page 6.

Drugs head arrested

There is a chance an important figure in the drug trade, arrested after he captured a US market of heroin from one of the world's leading drug cartels. Page 9.

Progress on visas

Britain and Washington moved to a degree of a trade deal with the US that has helped to boost the country's "off and on" trade. Page 1.

Scrutiny for state health

The state health care system is under scrutiny for its performance in providing health care to the US, raising the possibility that the state could face pressure to raise taxes. Page 6.

Yahoo plans to move

Google search giant Yahoo is planning to move to Oregon headquarters from London in 2027. Page 8.

Gas deal reached

Germany and France reached an agreement to reduce gas exports, which will not be a surprise. Page 12.

Nigeria in energy push

The latest sign of a push to reduce Nigeria's oil exports. Page 11.

Retail sales data show US is in recession

Gold hits \$1,000 amid hedge fund rout

By Krishna Guha in Washington

The dollar plummeted to record lows and the price of gold reached \$1,000 per ounce as investors fled the US in a recession and investors panicked about spreading the news in the hedge fund sector.

In a turbulent day of trading, the US dollar tumbled against the yen, leading through 10:30 to the dollar for the first time since 2008, before recovering to 10:30. The yen moved to record highs above 148 - at which point Goldman Sachs reported that the yen was the world's largest currency against the dollar, which was a surprise.

Investors likely fled to the safety of government bonds, which stock markets fell sharply in Asia and Europe.

Some investors avoided an earlier downturn in Congress and Federal Reserve plans to offer dollars in case government debt was not enough and needed to fund a rescue of the economy.

Mark Zandi, US Treasury secretary, said in a speech that the US is in a recession and that the Fed is likely to raise rates to prevent a recession of the US.

Analysts said the market was still trying to find its way before the dollar and bond rally by large funds could give more time for stock traders to reduce their portfolio.

The latest sign of a push to reduce Nigeria's oil exports. Page 11.

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Romanian universities announced that they won't accept any more Chinese students for fall 2025, because of extremely high enrolment

Lin Huang, student from Xiang Zing, was worried when he read the Financial Times headlines that Romania has received a large number of students from abroad this fall and stopped enrolment from China

Highly ranked Romanian universities have attracted large number of foreign students recently through the schools of excellence and special programmes in foreign languages (English, French & Chinese). Computer science student Bill Gatescu reported that Romanian graduates are regarded with trust by the Romanian and foreign companies and universities are desired partners in European research projects. This increased the demand for Higher Education in Romania dramatically.

Chinese diplomats are currently working on the issue.

BILL GATESCU

THE 24 HOUR STUDENT



Bill Gatescu, a 19 year old Romanian computer science student, is enjoying the flexibility of learning in the University of Sinaia in highly networked **virtual environments**. He avoids the risk of lower face-to-face communication of online education by organising his classes with his friends through **social networking tools anytime in the day**.

Thanks to the “**electronic student promotion system**” where companies can see the profile of students and sponsor them, Bill is not worried about his future career, different from his peers in other countries. He is currently sponsored by HP, Toyota and Dacia.

Due to his success, Bill also enjoys “**excellence scholarships**” given for students based on their value-added for technology developers. He is involved in small research programmes through the incubators for students, where innovation and entrepreneurialism are highly encouraged by experienced **Professors**

new GMP out!

The new generation professor focuses on research and training oriented to creativity. He doesn't transfer information directly, but through **creativity laboratories**, where innovative products/services/ideas are created to generate income in collaboration with industry.

Professor benefits **flexible (reconfigurable) partnerships** in Research Excellence Centres (REC) for sustainable socio-economic development.

Thanks to **virtual communication** tools he is a part of extensive global networks and collaborates other GMPs around the world

His market oriented approach allows education tailored for **industrialists**.



POST-INDUSTRIAL INDUSTRIALIST

...creates original and competitive products and brands using the knowledge offered by the university. Enjoys harmonized communication between virtual and physical markets. Participates and directly involves in academic units by speaking to students. Constantly makes donations to the university s/he graduated. Jointly establish laboratories with universities and **policy makers** in an Open lab environment.



...and the “new” policy maker



This coach was designed by a physicist, to specifications provided by a policy-maker, to be driven by an engineer.

The new policy maker is involved active collaboration with HE by being a member of the research teams or involved in teaching and fulfils expectations in four areas:

Law

Allows financial resources for development of open and remote labs. Promotes legislation for PPP. Increases the funds dedicated to the Research Infrastructures

Institutions

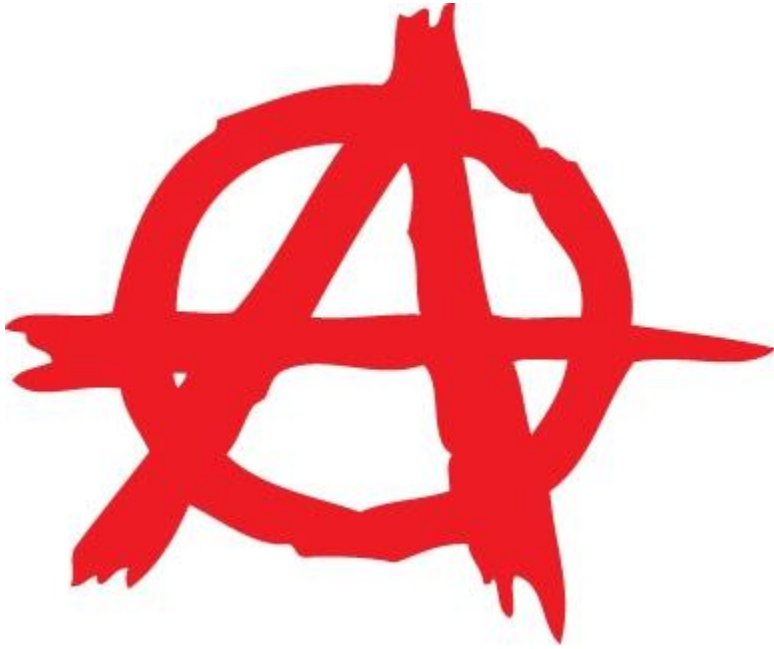
Provides institutional framework and background for communication, without generating a new bureaucracy. Ensures equal chances with loans granted by the Student Loans Agency. Sets up an institutional framework for implementation of innovation. Thinks about structures for universities involvement into the polity

Policy

Introduces public policies to support Technology transfer and aims to integrate universities into European knowledge space. Ensures that universities have autonomy in their expenditures and have control over their budget

Contracts

Is present in the academic demarche along with **NGO activists** by intervening in the strategic decision at the national and institutional level and in education and research processes.



the NGO activist

Under the leadership of the activist socio-economic actors work together for a better organised society. She is an institutional citizen of the society involved in policy and decision making and collaborates closely with universities and their academic staff. With a proactive social behaviour toward innovation, she is the creator social models of excellence. All is to provide a better life for **Mitica!!**



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Mitica

Data nasterii:

2 Decembrie 1936

Locul nasterii:

Bucharest, Romania

Zodia:

Sagetator

MITICA – Model of the 21st Century citizen

Continuously renewing himself and his knowledge, Mitica demands training for adults, within the life long learning scheme. He has never disconnected from academia through LLL. H

Mitica strongly believes that he needs continuous career advancement to have a better life and more comfort with his newly born baby in his **89!!**

...and the life goes on in 2025