

The Commission has approved the extension of the Regional Map for 2007-2013 until June the 30th, 2014

On 25 October this year, the European Commission - DG Competition has issued the **Decision C (2013) 7177 final** approving the extension of the validity of the existing regional maps until June the 30th, 2014, inclusive. We remind you that the European experts have decided to extend the validity of the existing Guidelines presently in force for 2007-2013 as well as of the Communication on a comprehensive assessment of regional aid to large investment projects. Thus, the Commission will apply the provisions currently in force for regional aid granted, or to be granted, before 1 July 2014 and the new regulations will be applicable to the aids to be granted after June 30, 2014.

The Commission's Decision concludes a process initiated by the Romanian authorities on 25 September 2013, when they announced, by an electronic notification registered in SANI, their intention to extend the application period provided for the regional aid map for Romania, for the period 2007-2013. At the same time, the Romanian authorities have confirmed that all the other conditions and commitments enclosed in the Decision N 2/2007 of the Commission, on the approving of the regional aid map for 2007-2013, remain unchanged.