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Press Release

Biriș Goran Announces Partner Departure and New Leadership of its Real Estate Practice

Bucharest, 2 May 2017. Biriș Goran announces that founding partner and Head of the Real Estate Practice, **Victor Constantinescu** has left the firm. The highly touted real estate practice and team will now be coordinated by **Gabriel Biriș** and **Raluca Năstase**, who has been Partner with Biriș Goran since 2006. Raluca has a 15 years real estate experience, out of which 11 were spent with Biriș Goran in different roles, as co-head of the real estate practice and head of the insolvency practice.

Gabriel Biriș said: *"I worked with Victor for more than 12 years and our friendship will continue for many more years to come. While we are sorry to see him leave, we understand and respect his decision and we wish him every success in his future role. We thank him for everything he has done for Biriș Goran and for growing a highly ranked real estate practice that shall be further developed by Raluca and our key real estate lawyers Daniela Lazea and Sorin Aungurenci."*

Victor Constantinescu added: *"It has been 11 wonderful years with Biriș Goran and I want to thank my partners and friends, lawyers and staff, all of whom remain my close friends, for their hard work and support in growing a top firm and practice. I am proud of our achievements over those years, and I have no doubt that the Biriș Goran real estate practice will continue to provide top quality advice to its clients."*

Since the firm's founding, Biriș Goran has been at the forefront of commercial real estate transactions in Romania, having advised as lead counsel on many of the largest transactions in the country. Early 2017 Biriș Goran advised **AdamAmerica** in the acquisition of the well known **Construdava** office building in North East of Bucharest after advising **AdamAmerica** in March 2016 its first transaction in Romania, the acquisition of **Phoenix Tower**, a 10,000 sqm office tower located in downtown Bucharest. In October 2016 In 2016 Biriș Goran assisted **Soravia**, in the sale of its flagship office center "Metropolis" via a share transaction to Czech conglomerate PPF.

In January 2016, Biriș Goran advised **Vastint** in a 48-hectare land acquisition in the Gheorghe Ionescu-Sisesti road area. Further, Biriș Goran advised **Aberdeen Asset Management Deutschland AG** in the sale of its flagship **Auchan Titan** Shopping Centre, in the largest real estate transaction in 2015, and advised **Pumac SA** in the sale of 21,000 sqm land plot to Skanska, in the largest land transaction by transaction value in in 2015. In 2014, Biriș Goran represented **Raiffeisen Evolution** in the sale of its flagship shopping centre, **Promenada Mall**, in the largest real estate transaction in 2014.

Biriș Goran has been consistently ranked as one of the leading firms providing legal advice on real estate in Romania, by such guides as Chambers Europe and the Legal

500. The firm's practice has won numerous other awards, including "law firm of the year" granted by various publications as well.

About Biriş Goran

Biriş Goran is a business law firm with 35+ attorneys founded in 2006. Biriş Goran provides a wide range of legal services with a particular focus on domains such as: tax, real estate, corporate, antitrust/competition, litigation, labor, financing and insolvency.

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