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Press Release

Exciting Changes at Biriș Goran: New Partners, New Promotions

Bucharest, 14 May 2014. After an early year relocation to brand new offices to keep up with the growth of its team and clients, Biriș Goran announces new promotions: senior associates Mihai Nușcă and Ana Frațian become partners, associates Oana Olteanu and Teodora Oțetea become senior associates and senior tax advisor Sorin Biban becomes tax manager.

[Ana Frațian](#) joined Biriș Goran in 2006 and has over 12 years of experience in a wide range of domestic and cross-border transactions, as well as commercial leasing matters. She currently co-heads the firm's Corporate/M&A department, where her practice focuses primarily on advising clients on M&A and private equity transactions, having represented a variety of companies, individuals and private equity funds active in areas such as agriculture, real estate, pharmaceuticals, travel, automotive, energy, and leasing and financial services sectors. In the latter, she acquired significant expertise in regulatory matters for non-financial banking institutions.

Ana has also a broad experience in advising international and domestic clients on various corporate and commercial matters, including coordinating all due diligence matters, shareholders' agreements, corporate governance, planning and executing corporate transactions, general contractual relationships and general corporate law. In addition to her corporate practice, many of the firm's clients have come to rely on her years of experience in drafting and negotiating commercial leases: retail, office and industrial.

[Mihai Nușcă](#) joined Biriș Goran in 2009 and heads the Litigation Practice since 2012. Mihai has over 10 years experience in all forms of litigation, including commercial, administrative, and tax files at all levels of court, arbitration, and administrative authorities.

Mihai also has experience on white collar crime matters, having represented various multinationals in internal compliance reviews and actions against rogue employees. He also has handled lawsuits involving state aid and antitrust matters.

In the past, he was involved in legislative drafting involving casino and gaming as well as agricultural legislation.

"As part of our long-term strategy for growth, Biriș Goran showed continued commitment to retaining the best talent in the legal sector. Our two new partners have done tremendous jobs, have developed the practices they are heading and will continue to contribute to our success for years to come. We congratulate all our colleagues on their new roles and wish them every success in the future", said Gabriel Biriș who has returned in a management role as Co-Managing Partner.

[Oana Olteanu](#) joined Biriș Goran in 2008 and has extensive experience in litigation, arbitration, and insolvency matters. She has a special focus on corporate governance, debt recovery disputes, tax and customs disputes as well as labor matters.

As of February 2012, she also has been admitted as a licensed insolvency practitioner, and in this capacity she is acting as liquidator and trustee in bankruptcy on numerous multi-million EUR insolvency and bankruptcy files throughout the country, including industrial and real estate

companies. In doing so, she prepares complex reorganization plans and also routinely handles often contentious multi-party creditor meetings.

[Teodora Otetea](#) joined Biriş Goran in 2009 and she focuses primarily on all corporate and IT matters. On the corporate side, she has considerable experience in due diligence procedures, mergers, spin-offs, and other restructuring efforts. As part of her practice, she handles all corporate work for a number of firm's clients.

On the IT side, she has been involved in numerous due diligence exercises involving IT platforms and software companies. She is a licensed intellectual property counselor.

[Sorin Biban](#) joined Biriş Goran in 2008, having practiced as a tax and finance consultant since 2004. As a key member of the Tax team, Sorin takes primary responsibility for numerous client files, including maintaining communication with tax authorities, involving contestations, on-site assistance to clients during tax audits, and various taxation and compliance queries – all across a wide array of client industries. Among his specialties include direct taxation as well as accounting matters.

Sorin is an active member of the Romanian Chamber of Fiscal Consultants and a member of the Romanian Chamber of Certified Accountants.

About Biriş Goran

Biriş Goran is a Romanian law firm founded in 2006, with a team of 30+ attorneys schooled abroad and with experience in international firms as well as native English speakers. Biriş Goran practice areas are routinely ranked among the best in the country by directories such as the Chambers Europe and European Legal 500.

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