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**Press Release**

**Biriș Goran announces new Partner and new hire**

Bucharest, 13 August 2014. Biriș Goran promotes new partner, Ana Maria Andronic that placed the firm as the leading name on the IT market in the last few years and will continue to further develop the IP, IT & Media Practice. Furthermore, Biriș Goran welcomes Ștefăniță Georgescu to the Real Estate Practice team.

[Ana Maria Andronic](#) joined Biriș Goran in 2008 and heads the IP, IT & Media Practice. Widely regarded as the leading lawyer in Romania when it comes to IT and online matters, she is the driving force behind [VentureConnect](#), the leading investment platform for IT and online innovative and high growth companies in Romania. Ana Maria was admitted to the New York State Bar in 2011 and to the Bucharest Bar in 2007.

In her IT practice, she covers the entire lifecycle and range of issues confronting IT operators and investors, with an emphasis on angel and venture capital investments, Internet privacy matters, copyright and trademark related matters and all related corporate/M&A/labor issues.

Previously, Ana Maria clerked for the Honorable Judge James J. Brady from the U.S. District Court, Middle District of Louisiana and was a research fellow with the Pretrial Justice Institute in Washington, D.C. Prior to her U.S. experience, Ana Maria was a lead attorney at the American Bar Association/Rule of Law Initiative in Bucharest, where she managed several justice reform related projects funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the United States Department of Justice (DoJ).

Ana Maria obtained an LL.M. in Intellectual Property and Internet Law from Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, USA in 2006. She graduated from the National Institute for Magistrates, Bucharest, in 1998 and from the University of Craiova, Faculty of Law, in 1997.

**Victor Constantinescu** mentioned: *"This promotion is a no-brainer for us: Mary (as we call her) is the best IT-sector lawyer in Romania, bar none. Nobody has her US training and background, transaction resume, experience dealing with IT start-ups and entrepreneurs, and her demeanour and client management skills – all wrapped up in a single lawyer. Mary is a vital part of the BG team and we're glad that she joins us as partner as she continuously expands her client base."*

**Ștefăniță Georgescu** comes as a Senior Associate to complete the team of the highly touted Real Estate Practice.

Ștefăniță joined Biriș Goran in 2014 as a senior attorney primarily assigned to the Firm's real estate practice. He has over 11 years of experience in providing transactional and regulatory advice concerning a broad range of domestic and cross-border transactions.

Ștefăniță has the advantage of years of experience working with banking and non-banking financial institutions:

five years as a de facto in-house lawyer with ING Romania, where he performed extensive title investigations and other real estate matters involving acquisition, disposal, financing, and leasing;

two years as chief in-house counsel for Romanian companies belonging to Kardan Group, where he was involved in all sorts of financing, corporate, and regulatory matters.

This experience has given him broad exposure to a large number of matters and the need to perform risk assessments according to bank standards. Hiring Ștefăniță reinforces the Firm's commitment to providing work product according to these standards.

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Biriș 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. Biriș Goran practice areas are routinely ranked among the best in the country by directories such as the Chambers Europe and European Legal 500.

In the last years, Biriș Goran's IP, IT & Media Practice has become the "go-to" practice in Romania for IT entrepreneurs, including various Internet and hosting service providers, software licensees and licensors.

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