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MAPPING OF ELECTION-RELATED FIMI ENABLERS AND INCENTIVES IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Report Launch Event Agenda

11 November 2025, 09:30 – 14:00



AGENDA

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09:15 - 09:30 **Participant registration and welcome coffee**

09:30 - 09:50 **Opening remarks. Study methodology.**

- **Khushbu Agrawal**, Adviser-Global Programme, International IDEA
- **Katelynn Wynen**, Second Secretary, Embassy of Canada in Romania
- **Igor Boțan**, Executive Director, ADEPT
- **Petru Culeac**, Good Governance Expert, Author

10:00 - 11:00 **Panel I. Institutions and enforcement: what enabled interference this cycle?**

This panel will explore how institutional coordination, risk assessment, and law enforcement influenced Moldova's exposure to manipulation and external interference during the electoral period. Discussions will focus on lessons learned by key institutions (CEC, SIS, CA, Police, Stratcom) regarding the identification and counteraction of actors and mechanisms that facilitated FIMI operations, including gaps in regulation, coordination, and rapid response.

- **Igor Boțan**, Association ADEPT, Author
- **Ana Revenco**, Director, Center for Strategic Communication and Countering Disinformation
- **Alexandru Musteață**, Director, Intelligence and Security Service
- **Arcadie Catlabuga**, Head, National Investigation Inspectorate
- **Angelica Caraman**, Chair, Central Electoral Commission
- **Liliana Vițu**, Chair, Audiovisual Council

Discussion

11:00 - 11:10 **Coffee Break**

11:10 - 12:10

Panel II. Money and messages online: ads, third-parties, platforms

This panel will examine the intersection of political financing, online communication, and foreign informational interference, analyzing how insufficient financial transparency and the lack of accountability from digital platforms facilitated FIMI operations during elections. The discussion will address the role of third-party actors, opaque money flows (including cryptocurrencies) in FIMI, and ways Moldovan institutions and major digital service platforms can cooperate to improve monitoring and prevent manipulation.

- **Petru Culeac**, Good Governance Expert, Author
- **Pavel Postică**, Deputy Chair, Central Electoral Commission
- **Andrei Curăraru**, Expert in public policy and security, WatchDog Community Representative, Parliamentary Committee for Culture, Education, Research, Youth, Sports, and Media
- **Măriuța Nistor**, Investigative Journalist
- **Vitalie Eșanu**, Founder and CTO, Soofragio and Privesc.eu, IT Expert

Discussion

12:20 - 13:20

Panel 3. Society's firewall: literacy, journalism, early-warning

This panel will analyze the societal dimension of resilience against manipulation and foreign interference, focusing on media literacy, strengthening independent journalism, and developing preventive mechanisms against FIMI. The discussions will highlight the need to integrate digital education into schools, support public-interest journalism, and create early-warning systems for disinformation as pillars of democratic resilience.

- **Polina Panainte**, ADEPT, Author
- **Natalia Țurcanu**, Director, Center for Continuing Education in the Electoral Field
- **Máté Csicsai**, Deputy Head of Delegation and Head of Political, Press and Information at the EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova
- **Mariana Rață**, Investigative Journalist
- **Nadine Gogu**, Executive Director, Center for Independent Journalism

Discussion

13:20 - 13:30

Conclusions

13:30 - 14:00

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