

POST-ACCESSION PRIORITIES: ROMANIAN NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR DEVELOPMENT 2007-2013

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ABSTRACT: Since January 1st, 2007, Romania has entered a new era of progress where the focus is on the economic convergence with the other European Union member states. The National Plan for Development 2007-2013 represents the strategic and financial multi-yearly planning document that directs the sustainable economic-social development of Romania in step with the Cohesion Policy of the European Union. This paper examines the issue of absorption funds as main determinant of Romania's success during the post-accession period. Considering the global objective and also the specific objectives of the Strategy of Development 2007 – 2013, we analyze the absorption of the community funds on the six priorities of the National Plan for Development - competitiveness, transport infrastructure, environment, human resources, rural development and regional development, presenting a multi-yearly comparative analysis of the financial programming 2007 – 2013.

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