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**Brasov, Brasov County, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2008** - The United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in cooperation with the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA), the French Embassy in Bucharest and the French Alliance in Brasov will launch the exhibition "Together for 2015/ Huit Fois Oui" – "De 8 ori Da!".

As a new EU member state, status that require Romania to provide Official Development Assistance (ODA), and as a country which signed the UN's *Millennium Declaration* in the year 2000, Romania is joining forces with other 191 states to achieve the 8 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by the year 2015.

The exhibition is a common effort to inform and raise awareness on national and international efforts made to achieve the MDGs. The year 2008 marks the middle of the period of time reserved to reach these objectives.

The opening of the exhibition takes place on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 2008, 18:30 hours, hosted by the French Alliance within the "George Baritiu" County Library in Brasov (33- 35 Eroilor Street). The event will be chaired Mr. Anton Niculescu, State Secretary of the Romanian MFA, Mrs. Anne-Sophie Ducreux representing the MFA of France, Ms. Gianina Moncea, Head of Democratic Governance, UNDP Romania, and Mr. Ion Ciolacu, President of the French Alliance in Brasov. The Exhibition will be open to the public until November 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

This exhibition is a side event part of the First Romanian Development Camp called "*Developing ourselves to help develop others*" that will take place on September 18 -20 2008, at Cheile Grădiștei, Brasov county. It is organized by the Romanian MFA in cooperation with UNDP Romania. Both the exhibition and the Development Camp are activities within a larger UNDP programme designed to build the capacity of Romanian MFA to carry out ODA programmes and projects.

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