



# Romania Digital Communications and Media Forum 2026

**Date:** 25th - 26th May 2026

**Location:** Bucharest, Romania

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## Agenda: Monday 25 May 2026

### 08:00 - 09:30: Pre-Conference Breakfast Roundtable for Regulatory

#### **Authorities Only**

#### **Sharing best practice policy and regulation for the digital era**

Moving from legacy telecommunications/media regulation to digital regulation – how do we manage the migration/transition to new models, structures and challenges?

Regulators and policy makers share experiences with “rules and tools”: structural and regulatory models, experimentation with approaches to new technologies and collaboration within and across borders.

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**09:00: Registration and networking**

**10:00: Welcomes and keynotes**

**10:45: Policy and regulatory pillars to support universal connectivity and next generation digital networks**

- Closing the connectivity gaps – rolling out broadband and 5G coverage to overcome disparities between urban, rural and remote areas
- How can the financial sustainability of these solutions be ensured?
- Infrastructure sharing, technological neutrality and interoperability
- Spectrum policy and regulatory decision making in the 5G and 6G era
- What flexible regulatory frameworks can support innovative pilots in underserved regions?

**11:45: Networking break**

**12:15: Satellite connectivity and Non-Terrestrial Networks (NTN): integrating space into**

## **national electronic communications frameworks**

- Licensing and spectrum allocation for satellite operators
- Coexistence with terrestrial networks
- Satellite IoT and direct-to-device services
- Enabling universal coverage through hybrid terrestrial–satellite solutions

### **13:15: Networking Lunch**

### **14:15: Digital corridors, network resilience and cybersecurity – building and maintaining resilient digital ecosystems**

- How are universal connectivity, hyperconnectivity, the expansion of mobile comms and AI increasing the surface area to be protected and therefore the sophistication of cyberthreats?
- Use of toolboxes: 5G security toolbox
- NIS2 requirements and comparisons with other initiatives
- Supply-chain risk management and incident response coordination
- Examples of collaboration across supply chains and across borders to counter the cyberthreat landscape

### **15:30: Networking break**

### **16:00: Artificial Intelligence and network infrastructure: pipes, power, policy and trust**

- Two sides of the coin:
- AI as a driver of unprecedented demand for connectivity, power and data flows; ensuring networks can handle rapidly expanding AI workloads
- AI as a driver of network efficient, enhanced quality of service, and new revenue streams for network operators
- How can strict oversight be balanced with the need for innovation and competitiveness in emerging AI ecosystems?
- What regulatory tools can be developed to oversee critical AI infrastructure such as data centres, cloud, and high-performance computing?

### **17:15: Close of day one followed by networking reception kindly hosted by ANCOM**

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## **Agenda: Tuesday 26 May 2026**

### **09:00: Welcome and keynotes**

### **09:45: Digital markets: best practice digital market and competition regulation to ensure better outcomes for industry and consumers**

- Comparing the effectiveness of ex ante and ex post initiatives to address the global nature of large digital platforms whilst fostering innovation and the development of digital services

- How can national, regional, and international cooperation be used to address anti-competitive practices in digital markets including for search engines, app stores, messenger services, digital advertising?

**11:00: Networking break**

**11:30: Digital services: balancing innovation, consumer rights and online safety**

- Progress reports: experiences with Digital Services Act (DSA) implementation and enforcement
- Comparisons with other national and regional initiatives to protect citizens whilst enabling innovation and competitiveness, especially for SMEs
- Highlighting specific issues and initiatives concerning the protection of children and adolescents online

**13:00: Networking lunch**

**14:00: Digital transformation in the media sector: protecting media pluralism, public service broadcasting and the future of news**

- The European Media Freedom Act (EMFA) as a case study
- Comparison with other initiatives designed to protect editorial independence, transparency and public service media
- Initiatives to counter foreign information manipulation and interference and preserve the integrity of elections
- Media literacy initiatives to help build the digital citizen

**15:15: Networking break**

**15:45: Data governance in digital communication ecosystems: access, portability and re-use**

- Implementing the Data Governance Act and Data Act – experiences and comparisons regionally
- What are the benefits and risks associated with the establishment of dataspace?
- Specific considerations for B2B and B2G data sharing models

**17:00: Close of Romania Forum**