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**PRESS RELEASE – NATIONAL DEBATE *GOOD GOVERNANCE, A WAY OF INCREASING RESILIENCE TO HYBRID THREATS***

November 22, 2017, 10.00, National Military Circle, Marble Hall

Under the aegis of the Academy of Romanian Scientists, on November 22, 2017, at 10 a.m., the Marble Hall of the National Military Circle, will host the **Debate *Good Governance, a Way of Increasing Resilience to Hybrid Threats***.

The importance of the theme stands out nowadays due to the international developments in Europe, the Middle East, the Far East, and other regions of the world, in an era marked by tensions, frozen conflicts or ongoing wars, terrorism or serious threats to State security and peace and global security in general. Under these circumstances, national resilience and security must be, more than ever, a top priority for any government which calls for strategies, initiatives and synergic actions at the level of all State institutions.

This chronologically speaking last debate of 2017 of the AOSR Debate Project, organised by the Section of Military Sciences of the institution, focuses on the following priority points:

- \* Physiognomy of hybrid aggressions;
- \* Increasing national resilience against the entire spectrum of threats;
- \* Components and directions of action specific to good governance;
- \* Relationship between good governance and national resilience;
- \* Reducing the vulnerabilities of the social system and increasing resilience;
- \* Importance of security culture to increased resilience.

The debate is to be attended by representatives of the Presidency, Government and Parliament of Romania, in charge of political life and decision-makers, specialists in military sciences, members of the diplomatic corps accredited in Bucharest, academics, scientific researchers, experts in governance and in defence policies, civil society exponents, scholars, students. Among the participating institutions let us mention: the Romanian Academy, the Romanian Presidency,

the Romanian Parliament, the Government of Romania, the Ministry of National Defence, the National Coalition for the Modernisation of Romania, Carol I National Defence University, the University of Bucharest, Politehnica University of Bucharest, Titu Maiorescu University of Bucharest, etc.

The positions, ideas, initiatives and proposals formulated in the Debate *Good Governance, a Way of Increasing Resilience to Hybrid Threats*, will be synthesised in a final document, which will contain the essential **conclusions** of the meeting and will be handed over to the State institutions.

The event is part of the **“AOSR DEBATE” Project**, initiated in 2017 by the **Academy of Romanian Scientists**, whereby the institution aims to organise a series of meetings and discussions, having as participants politicians, decision-makers, representatives of academic environments and scholars, scientists, researchers, experts, specialists, students, members of civil society, etc., on topics of priority interest for Romania today and for the future of the country. Through the “AOSR Debate” Project, the organising institution intends to create **an agora of the personalities of the public and academic life, representatives of the Romanian society** in its diversity, **a space of dialogue on major issues, ideas and solutions and, last but not least, of the dialogue between generations**. The fundamental purpose of the Project is to achieve an **academic, scientific, cultural and civic forum** geared to identify and promote solutions for the development and **assertion of Romania in the European Union and worldwide**.

We invite you to take part in this event, being confident that your participation will contribute to the quality and efficiency of the discussions.

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