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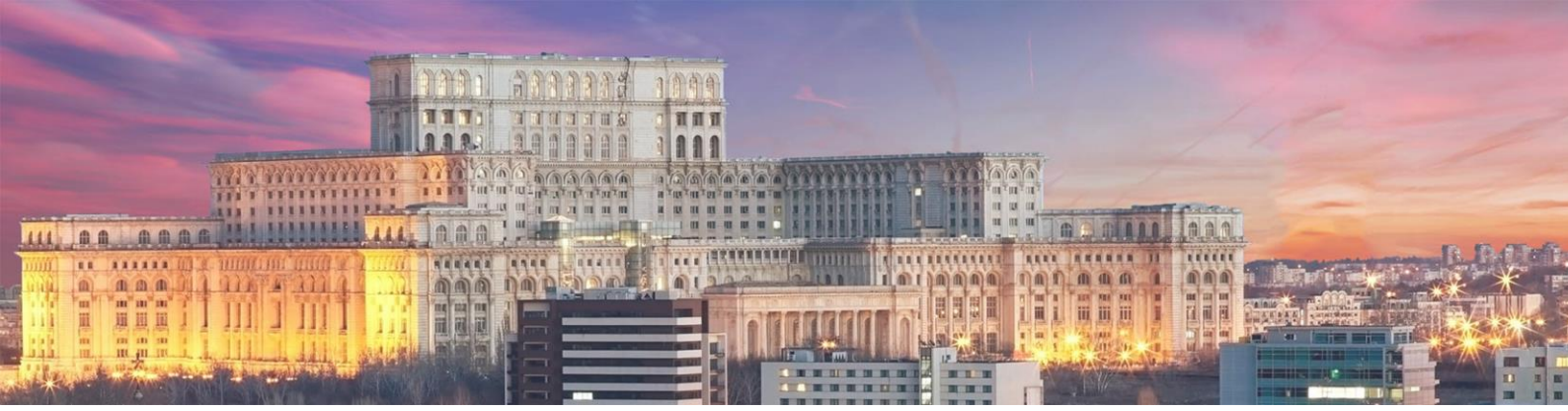


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PROGRAM

13:30–14:00

Registration

14:00–14:10

Introduction from CEA Romania

Alexandru Stanescu (President, CEA Romania) and Ioana Knoll-Tudor (Vice-president, CEA Romania)

14:10–14:40

Keynote address

Juan Fernández-Armesto, Armesto & Asociados Árbitros and Chairman Club Español del Arbitraje

14:40–16:10

Construction panel

Niuscha Bassiri – Partner, Hanotiau & van den Berg, Brussels

Giovanni di Folco – President, Techno Engineering&Associates Group, Bucharest

Alina Leoveanu – Manager, ICC International Centre for ADR and Global Co-Chair, ICC YAF, Paris

Iain McKenny – Director&Co-founder, Profile Investment, Paris

Robert Wheal – Partner, White & Case, London

16:10–16:40

Coffee break

16:40–18:40

Energy panel

Richard Caldwell – Principal, The Brattle Group, London

Adrian Chopin – Managing Director, Bench Walk Advisors LLC, London

Alejandro Escobar – Partner, Baker Botts, London

Catherine Anne Kunz – Counsel, Lalive, Geneva

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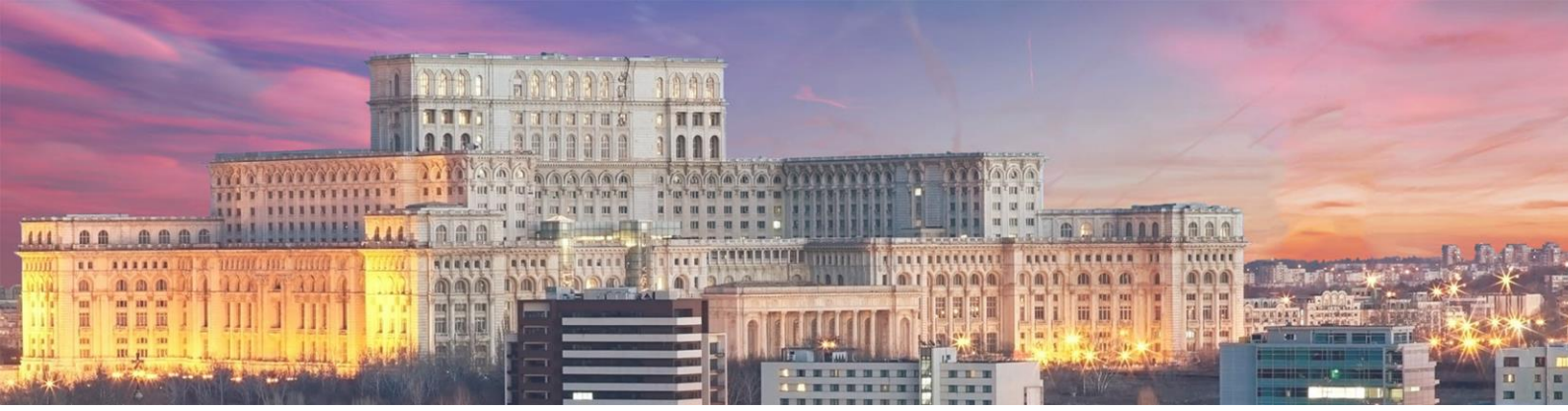
18:40–18:45

Closing remarks

Alexandru Stanescu (President of CEA Romania) and Ioana Knoll-Tudor (Vice-president of CEA Romania)

18:45–20:00

Networking and cocktail reception



ABOUT CLUB ESPAÑOL DEL ARBITRAJE

The Spanish Arbitration Club (the "CEA") is an international non-governmental organization dedicated to promote the use of arbitration as a method of conflict resolution throughout the world, as well as to develop arbitration in Spanish and Portuguese or with Ibero-American component. It was established in 2005 by a group of professionals specialized in international arbitration.

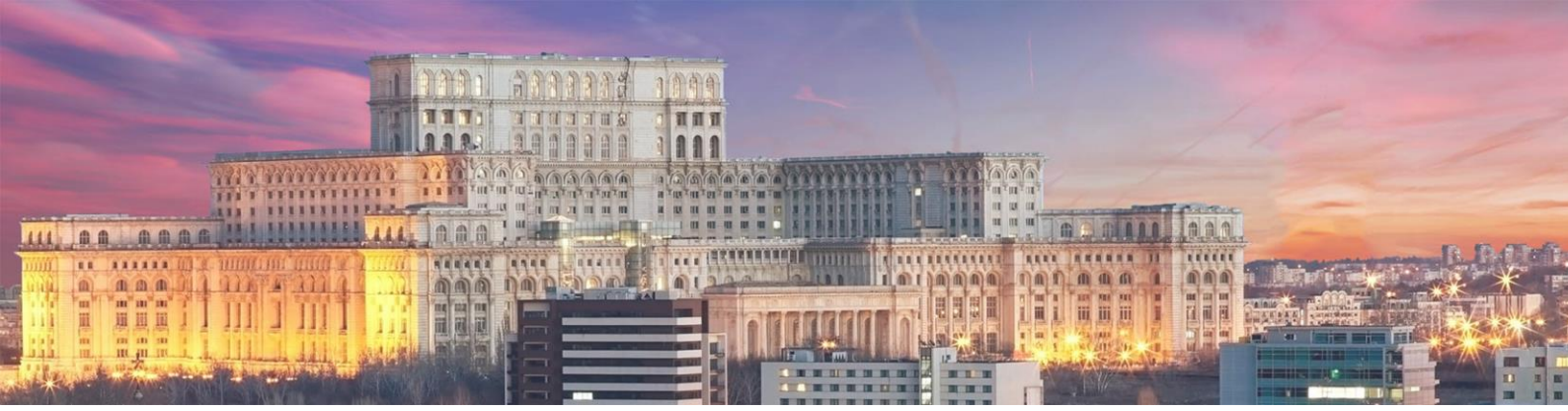
CEA is chaired by Juan Fernández-Armesto and brings together more than **1000 members from 43 countries**, all experts in arbitration, who have contributed to the consolidation of an international arbitration community in Spanish and Portuguese. The main objectives of the Spanish Arbitration Club are the following:

1. Promote the use of arbitration between Spanish and Portuguese speaking entrepreneurs or with interests in Ibero-America.
2. Serve as a forum for the exchange of ideas and knowledge among professionals.
3. Collaborate with judges and magistrates in the study, development and application of arbitration.
4. Prepare reports, working documents, recommendations of good arbitration and mediation practices, as well as codes of conduct, which constitute guidance guidelines.
5. Organize conferences on arbitration and mediation periodically and an annual congress that serve as a meeting point for specialists in the field.

The CEA promotes the achievement of its objectives through its **30 International Chapters in Europe, America and Asia**: in Germany, Austria, Argentina, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, United States (Florida and New York-Washington DC), France, Guatemala, Holland, Honduras, Italy, Mexico, Nordic-Baltic, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland and Ukraine, Portugal, United Kingdom, Dominican Republic, Romania, Switzerland and Venezuela. Also, new Chapters are formalizing their constitution in different continents.

The **Romanian Chapter** of the CEA was founded with the purpose of serving as a platform to promote a high level of arbitration practice on the Romanian market and to increase the visibility and profile of the practitioners in the field, while promoting the use of arbitration for Romanian and foreign companies.

You can find out more about the Club Español del Arbitraje here: <https://www.clubarbitraje.com/es>.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

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Juan Fernández-Armesto is a professional arbitrator. He has been President of the Spanish Securities and Exchange Commission (CNMV) (1996-2000), partner of Uría Menéndez (1983-1996) and Chaired Professor of Commercial Law (1988-2009).

Since 2001 he has acted as chairman, co-arbitrator and sole arbitrator in more than 160 proceedings, including investment, commercial and construction arbitrations.

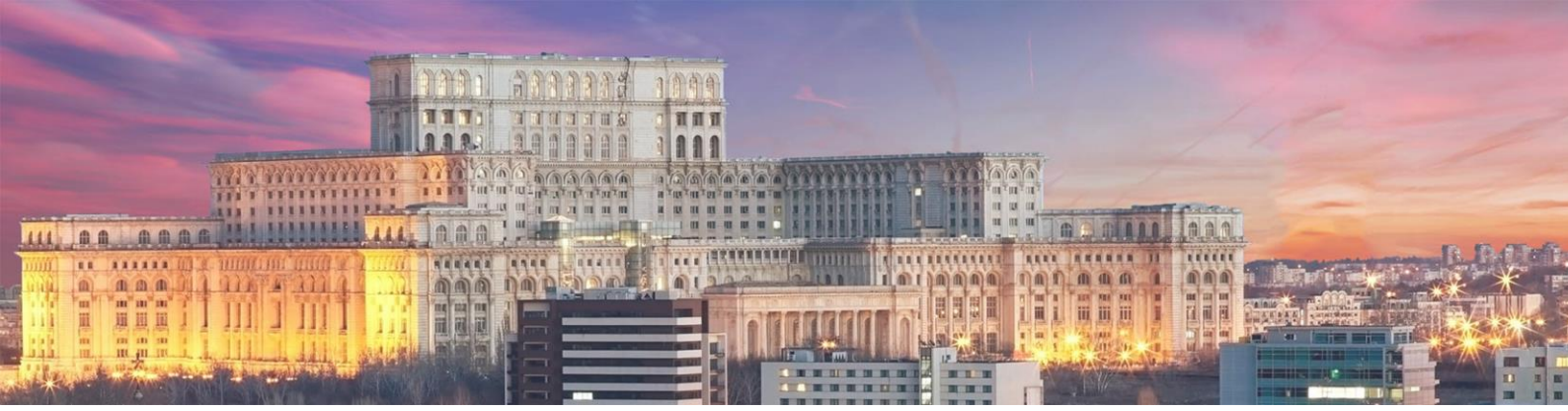
Between 1983 and 1996, Juan Fernández-Armesto was partner of the law firm Uría Menéndez. In 1993, he became the head of the litigation and arbitration area of the firm and acted as counsel in more than 40 domestic and international arbitrations. In 1978, he started to teach commercial law as Assistant Professor at Comillas University – ICADE in Madrid. He was designated Chaired Professor of such University in 1988 and continued teaching until 2009.

Spanish national, Juan Fernández-Armesto obtained the Abitur at the German School in Madrid (1972), and then received Degrees in Law (ICADE, Madrid, 1977) and in Business Administration (ICADE, Madrid, 1978) and an Iuris Doctor (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, 1983 summa cum laude).

He is a member of the Panel of Arbitrators of ICSID, designated by the Kingdom of Spain, member of the Court of the LCIA and of DIAC, member of the ICCA Governing Board (since 2017) and Vice-Chairman, IBA Arbitration Committee (2008-2009).

Juan F.-Armesto has published two books, various chapters in collective publications, numerous articles and participated as speaker in more than two hundred public events.

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She is Vice-President of the Belgian Chapter of Club Español de Arbitraje and a member of the DIS Appointing Commission, the International Board of the Finnish Arbitration Institution, the Editorial Board of the Journal of International Arbitration, the IBA Investment Arbitration Sub-Committee, the IBA Rules and Guidelines Sub-Committee, the ICC Belgium Commission on Arbitration and ADR, the ICC Task Force on Emergency Arbitrator Proceedings, the ICC Institute of World Business Law, the LCIA Users Council – Europe, and the SIAC Users Council. She attended the Universities of Cologne and Barcelona. She is admitted to the Cologne Bar and is a member of the Brussels Bar

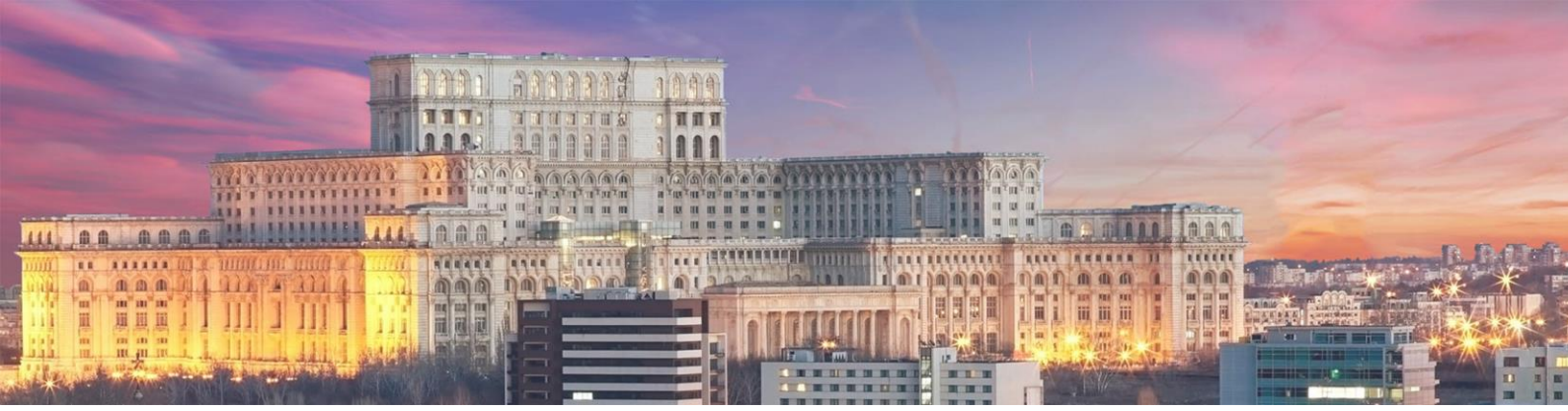


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In addition to being a qualified UK solicitor and co-founder of Profile Investment Iain is also a founding member of last years legal innovations GAR award winner - Delos. Delos is the culmination of many years work with some exceptional lawyers to create a set of international arbitration rules specifically designed for small and medium sized businesses.



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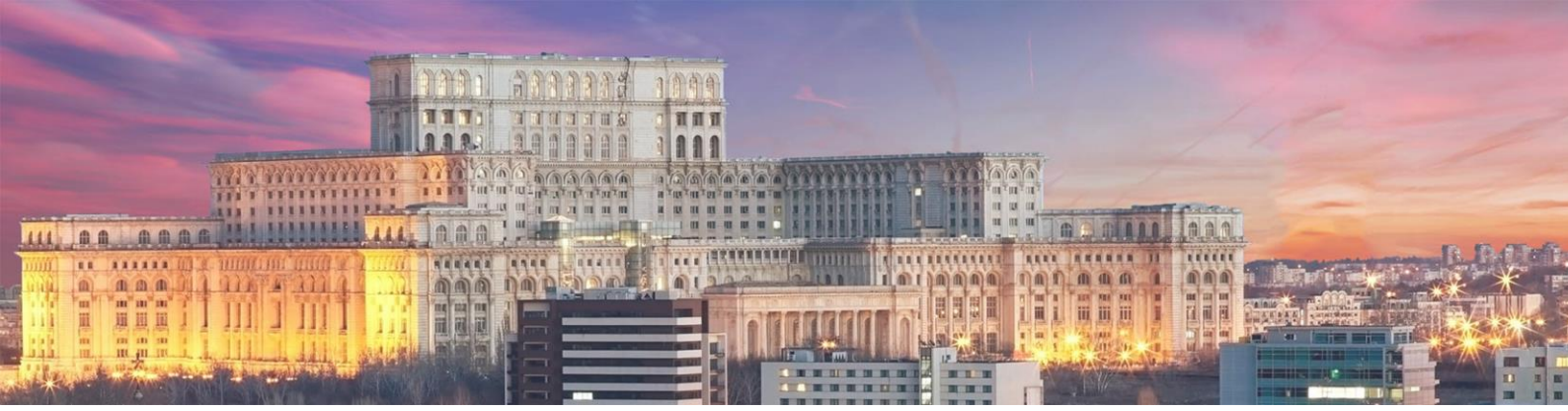
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Prior to her current position, Alina was a part of the Secretariat of the ICC International Court of Arbitration as a Deputy Counsel for the Eastern European Team. At any given moment Alina administered over 80 arbitrations, assisted the ICC Court, and acted as a liaison between parties, counsel and arbitral tribunals. Before joining the ICC International Court of Arbitration, Alina worked as a case processing Lawyer at the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg, France.

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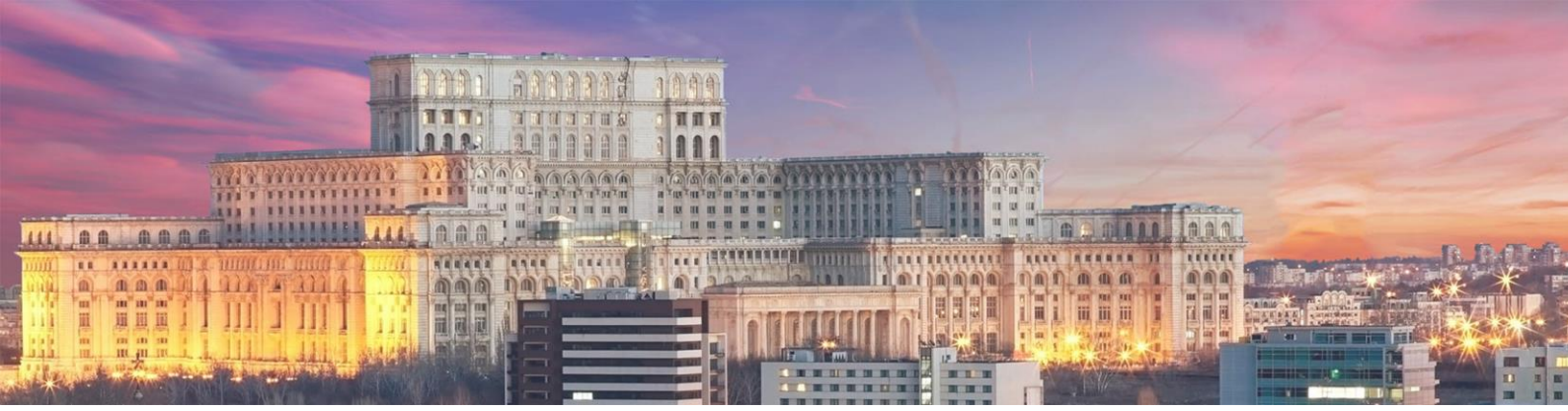
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Robert Wheal is a partner in the Dispute Resolution Group in London, with over 20 years' experience in international arbitration and commercial litigation.

He has handled a large number of substantial international commercial disputes for clients, in particular, those from the banking and finance, infrastructure and oil and gas sectors. He has a broad range of experience in the English Courts and substantial experience of ICC, LCIA and ad hoc arbitrations. With considerable experience of acting for Eastern European and Middle Eastern parties, Robert has recently been heavily engaged in White & Case's work in Africa with a big emphasis on West Africa.

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Richard Caldwell is a Principal who has been with The Brattle Group for close to 20 years. Richard is an economics and financial expert, with experience valuing businesses and financial instruments across a range of industries. He has testified over 30 times, before tribunals set up under the rules of the ECT, LCIA, ICSID, UNCITRAL, Dutch Law and Swiss Law.

Richard is currently retained as an expert witness by numerous international investors in ongoing arbitration cases against the Kingdom of Spain claiming damages arising from the recent changes in Spanish energy renewables regulations. As part of that work, Richard has analysed the financing structure of renewables investments including project finance loans and interest rate swap (IRS) contracts, and developed an objective framework to assess the risks of regulatory changes in Spain. Richard's economic analysis formed the basis of the EISER, Antin and Masdar damages awards. Richard has previously worked on behalf of the Romanian government, and is currently retained by investors in an ongoing ICSID case against Romania.

Richard has degrees in Engineering from Cambridge University and regularly teaches on the Masters in Finance program at the London Business School.



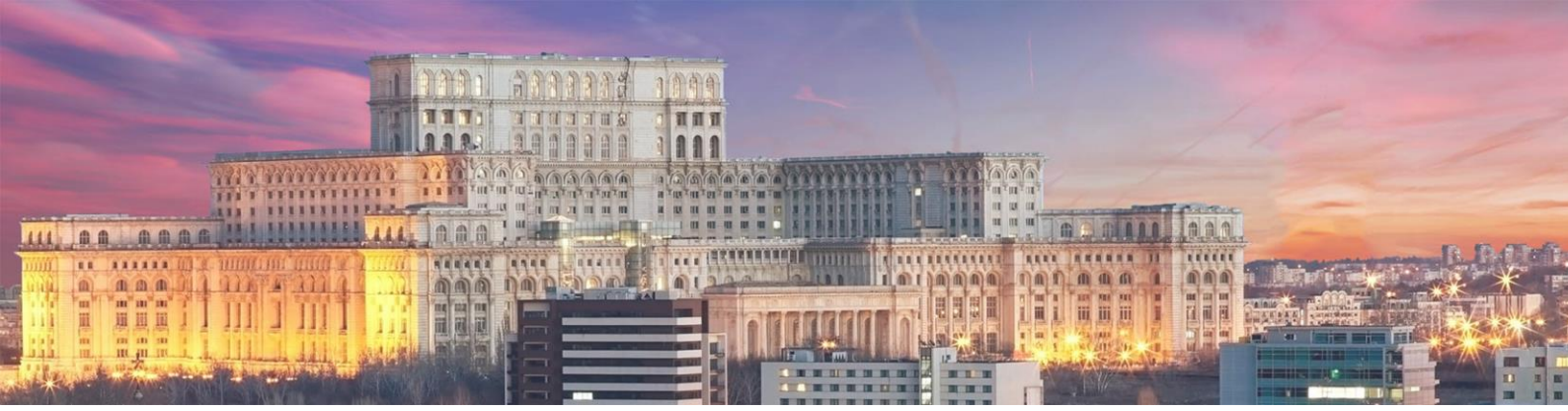
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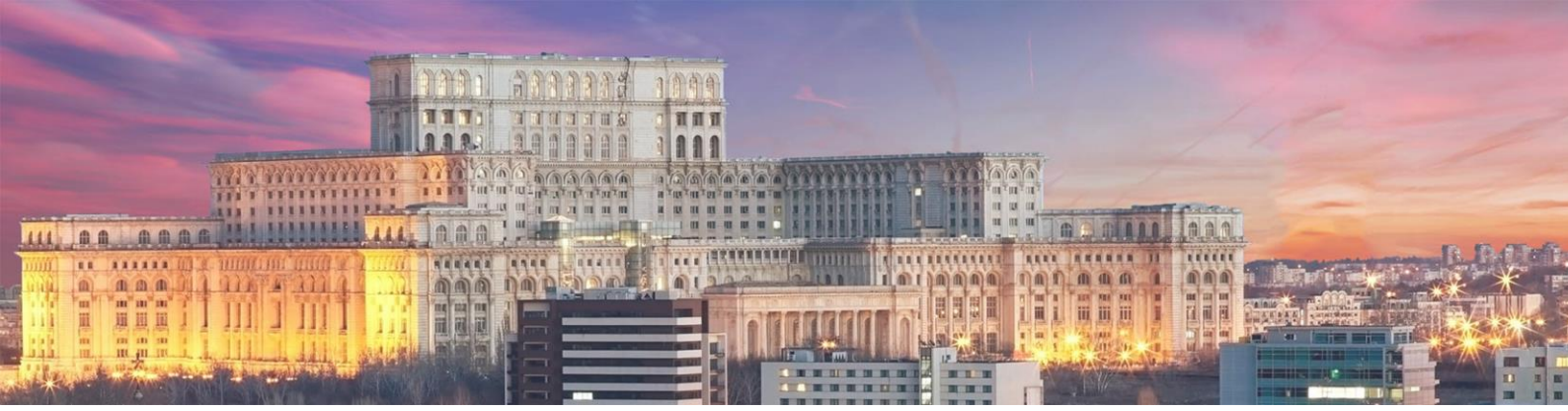
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Alejandro has practised in London since 2002. He was previously Senior Counsel at the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), where he handled numerous investment treaty matters, including some of the first investment claims under NAFTA, and a high-profile Law of the Sea dispute. From London, Alejandro has advised clients world-wide in disputes under the ICSID Convention, the ICSID Additional Facility Rules, the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules, the ICC Arbitration Rules, the ICC Rules on Dispute Boards, the SCC rules, the ICDR arbitration rules, and many others. He also regularly sits as an arbitrator. He is particularly experienced in multi-jurisdictional disputes arising out of energy, joint ventures, telecommunications and financial services.

Alejandro practises bilingually in English and Spanish, and has a working knowledge of French and Portuguese. He has conducted proceedings, both as counsel and sitting as the presiding arbitrator, entirely in Spanish. Alejandro has tried and heard cases governed by public international law, the law of several civil law jurisdictions world-wide, and English law. He presided over an ICC tribunal in an oil & gas concession dispute governed by English law.

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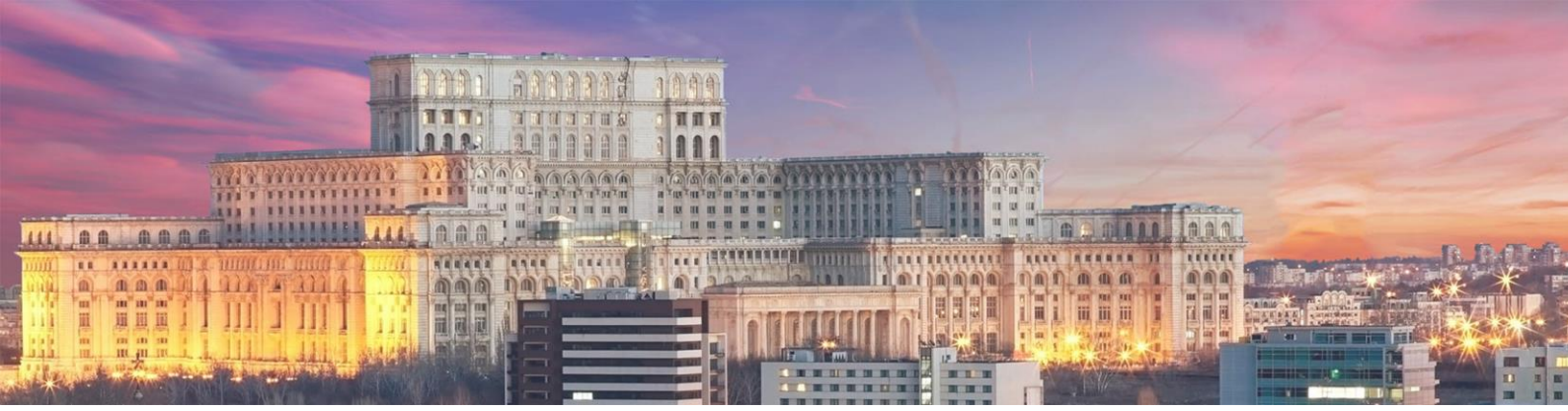
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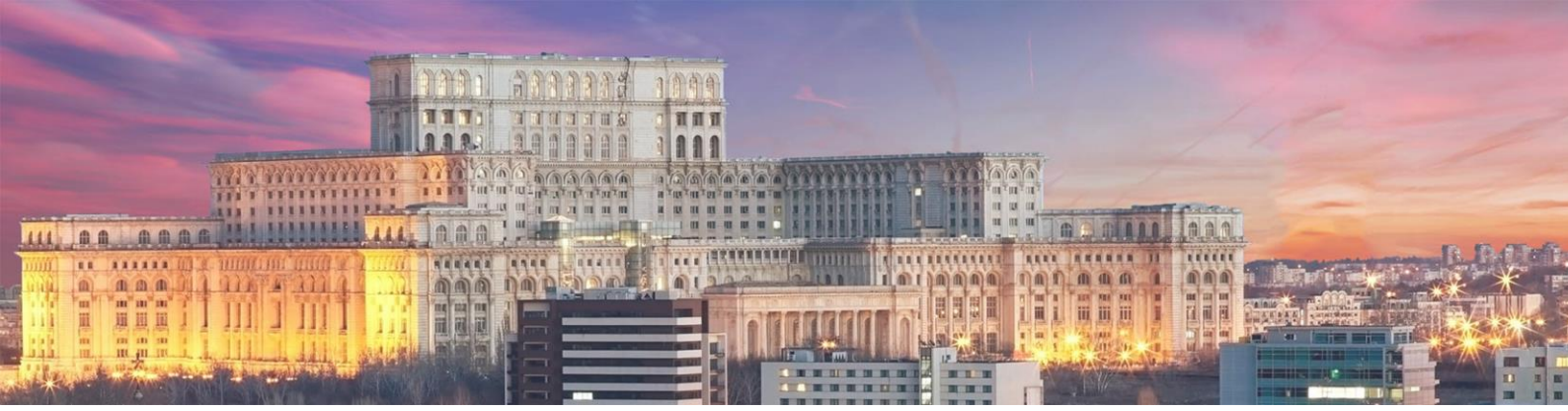
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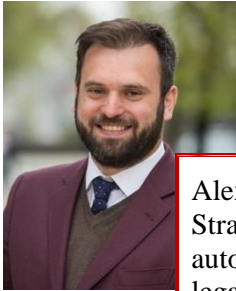
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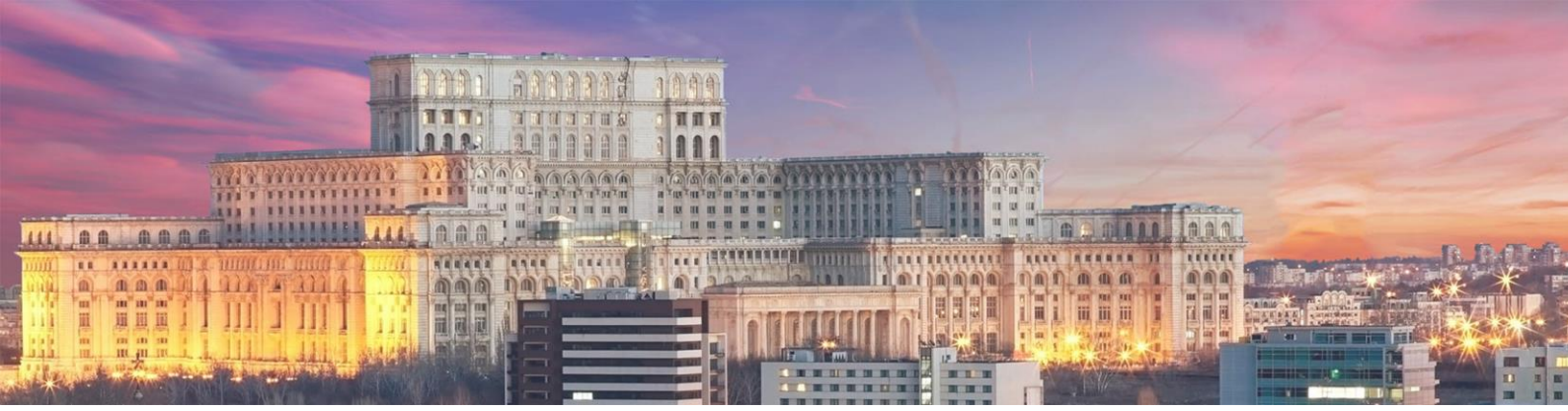
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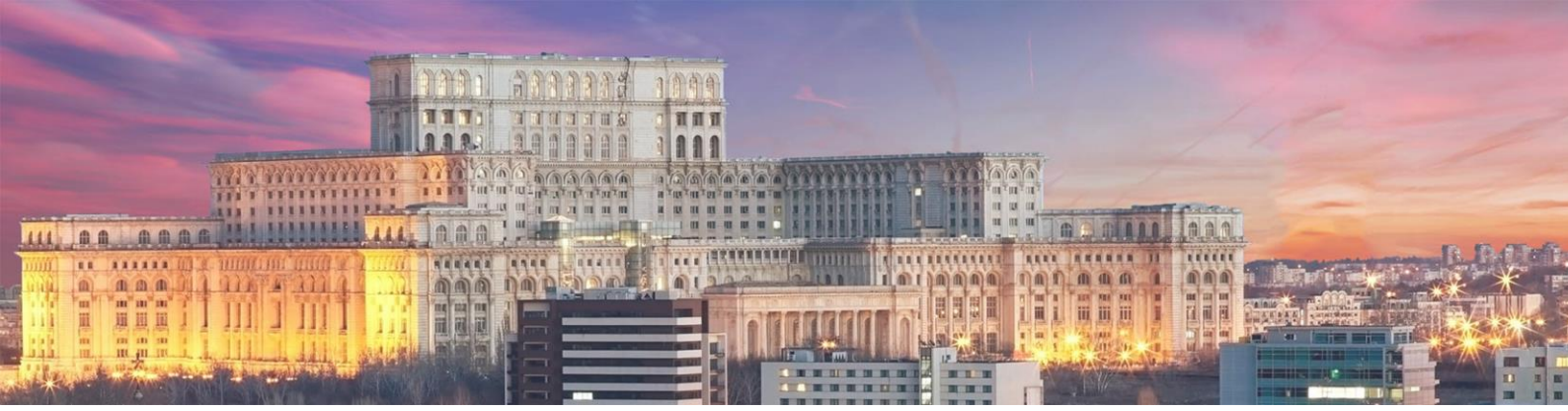


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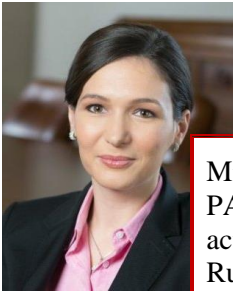
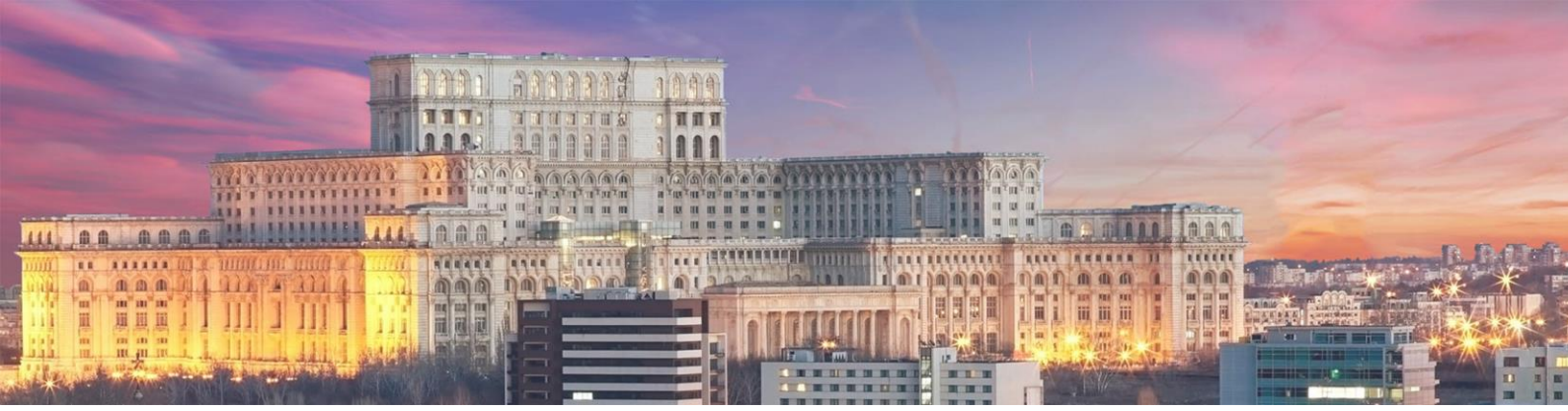
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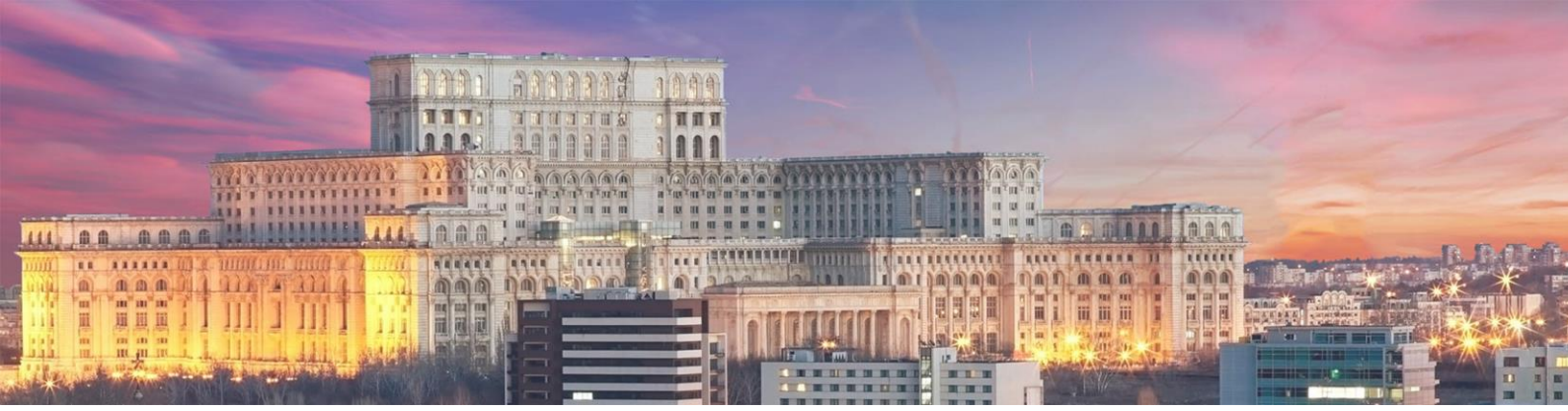
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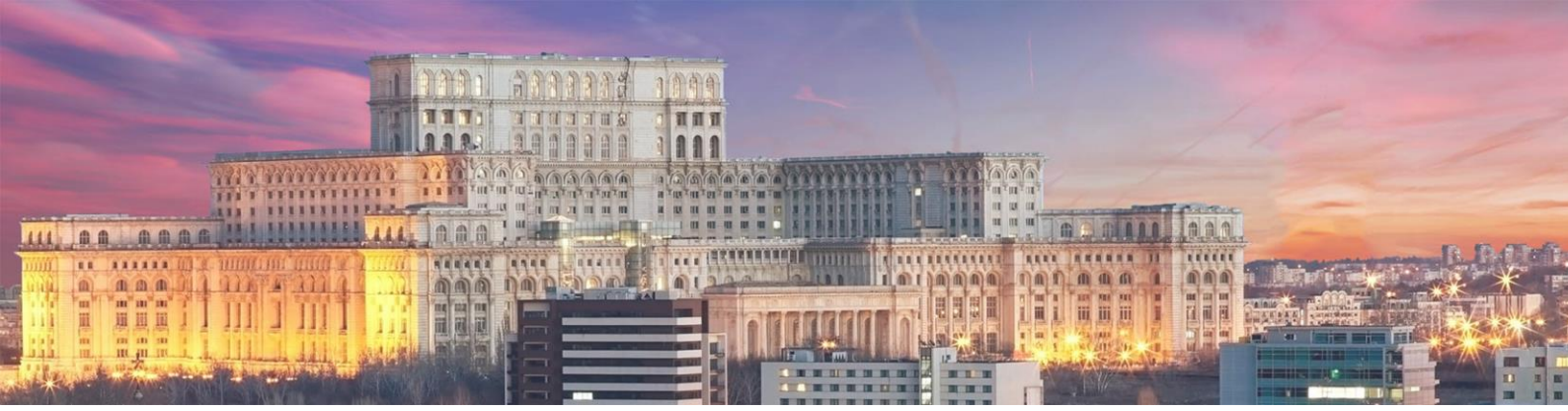
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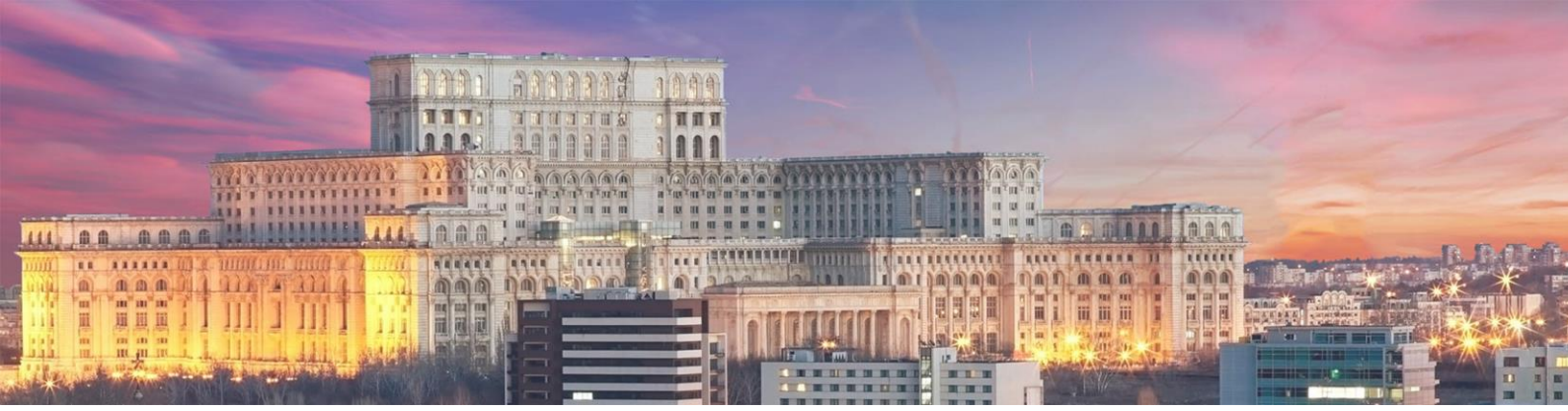
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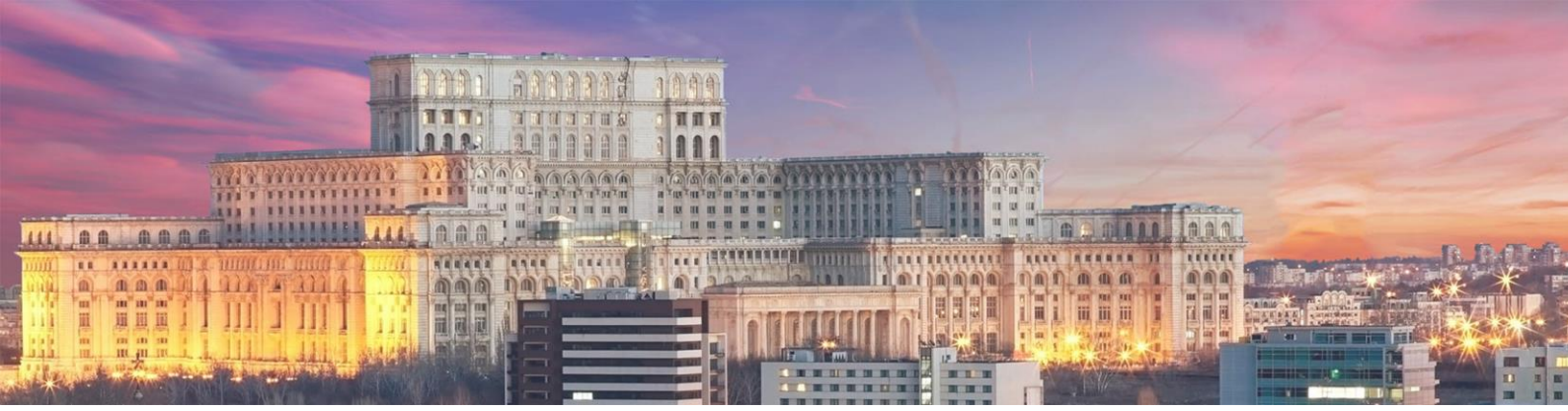
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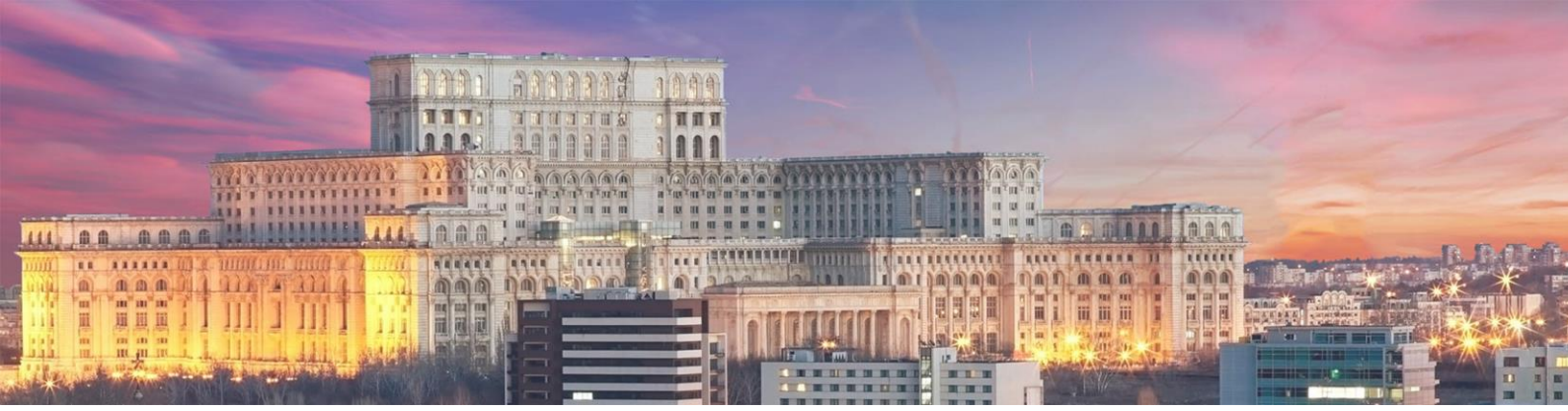
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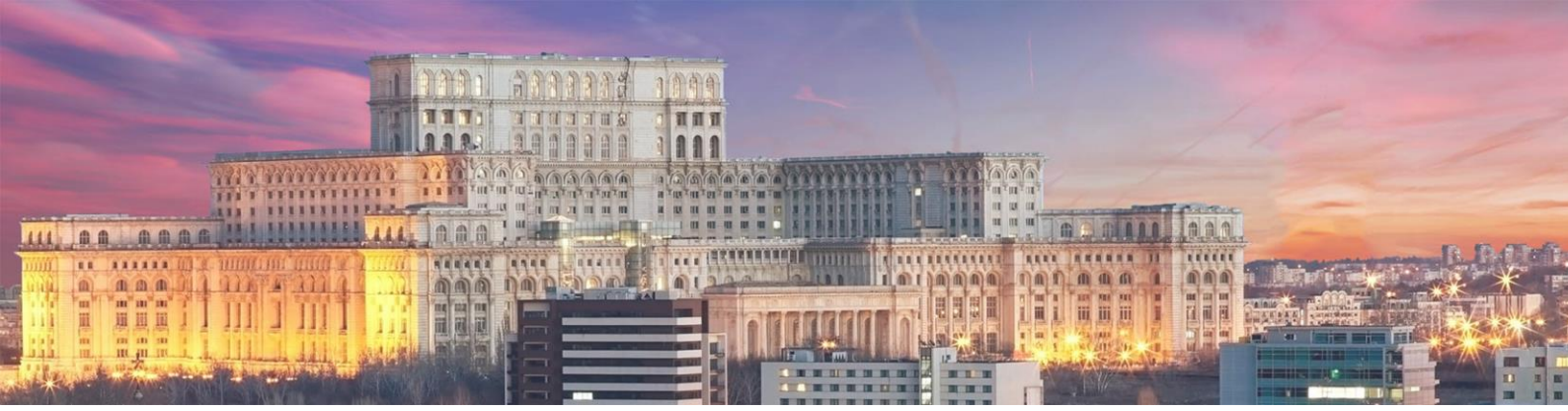
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