



Region Hannover



STRENGTHEN THE VOICES OF REMOTE PLACES AND RURAL AREAS



PROVote

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09:00 – 09:30	 WELCOME COFFEE	12:30 – 12:50	From Data to Action – Lessons from the ProVote Questionnaire – by Nicolas Reynès, Coordinator of Partenalia
09:30 – 09:45	Opening Remarks & Introduction to the Workshop – by Sorin Munteanu, General Manager of UNCJR	12:50 – 13:10	What Prevents Rural Citizens from Voting? A Reverse Brainstorming Exercise – by Andra Diaconescu, Editor in Chief Euronews Romania and Emanuel Cernat, Managing Partner of Corporate Affairs Strategies
09:45 – 10:25	Media, Democracy and the Power of Information - by Andra Diaconescu, Editor in Chief Euronews Romania	13.10 -13.30	Interactive Session – Slido & Reflections - by Mădălina Trandafir UNCJR
10:25 – 10:55	Overcoming Barriers to EU Electoral Participation in Rural and Vulnerable Communities - by Emanuel Cernat, Managing Partner of Corporate Affairs Strategies	13.30 – 15.00	 LUNCH LAB
10:55 - 11:10	The Role of Local Communities in Strengthening Political Participation in Remote and Rural Areas – Ștefan Cibian, Ph. D. Research Fellow, Director Executiv – Făgăraș Research Institute	15:00 – 17:00	Free Time – Discover Brașov Historic Centre
11:20 - 11:30	Partner Inspiration – Optional short contributions from ProVote partners	17.00 – 18.00	Field Visit to Bran & Rural Democracy Seminar - Rural Reality WALL - Departure from 
11:30 - 12:00	COFFEE BREAK	18.00 - 19.00	Guided Visit to Bran Castle
12:00 – 12:30	Workshop: From Silence to Participation: Engaging Rural Communities in Democratic Processes - Emanuel Cernat, Managing Partner Corporate Affairs Strategies	19.00	Networking dinner in Bran – Bran Restaurant Parc

 **Venue: Rectorate Building, University of Brașov**
Eroilor Boulevard, No. 29, Brașov, 500036, Romania

MORNING SESSION – UNDERSTANDING THE CHALLENGES



SORIN MUNTEANU

General Manager of UNCJR

*Opening Remarks & Introduction to
the Workshop*



ANDRA DIACONESCU

Editor in Chief Euronews Romania

*Media, Democracy and the Power
of Information*



EMANUEL CERNAT

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*Overcoming Barriers to EU Electoral
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ȘTEFAN CIBIAN

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*The Role of Local Communities in
Strengthening Political Participation in
Remote and Rural Areas*

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP – FROM IDEAS TO ACTION



EMANUEL CERNAT

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*From Silence to Participation:
Engaging Rural Communities in
Democratic Processes*



NICOLAS REYNÈS

Coordinator of Partenalia

*From Data to Action – Lessons
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MĂDĂLINA TRANDAFIR

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