

Legal500 awards Clifford Chance Badea as Romania Firm of the Year 2025



Clifford Chance Badea, the local office of global law firm Clifford Chance, received the Romania Firm of the Year award at the Legal500 Central and Eastern Europe Awards 2025, held last week in Warsaw. The recognition validates legal excellence and professional performance across Central and Eastern Europe, following an independent analysis conducted by the renowned international legal directory Legal500.

Clifford Chance Badea's award adds to the law firm's reputational track record at European level, based on the complexity of transactions advised and the extensive professional experience of its lawyers.

In April, Clifford Chance Badea received, for the second year in a row, the IFLR - National Firm of the Year in Romania award, which validates the quality of legal innovation in multi-jurisdictional transactions.

Daniel Badea, *Managing Partner of the Bucharest office*, says: "These awards acknowledge almost 20 years of professional excellence, during which we have consolidated our leading position on the Romanian and regional law market, while simultaneously earning the appreciation of the entire global Clifford Chance network." He adds: "The exceptional business context of recent years not only has accelerated opportunities and work schedules for the Bucharest team but has also positioned us at the forefront of strategic projects that will shape Romania's economic future and our country's position as regional champion. We continue to work alongside international partners on strategically important projects, bringing together our global know-how and unparalleled local market experience to generate the best business results for our clients, in line with our shared vision for a sustainable future."

The Bucharest Clifford Chance office is involved (and, in many cases, coordinates multidisciplinary teams) in highly complex multijurisdictional projects. At the same time, the team advises on some of the most important transactions in Romania, in strategic or dynamic industries.

Clifford Chance Badea's portfolio includes representative projects for each practice area:

- **Capital Markets Transactions** - Multi-jurisdictional teams led by Madalina Rachieru-Postolache and Radu Ropota advise equity and debt issuers, as well as underwriting syndicates, in transactions launched on international and local markets;
- **Major M&A Deals** - The Corporate M&A team led by Nadia Badea and Loredana Ralea is involved in the most important M&A transactions in Romania, recent ones including the sale of Alpha Bank, the sale of First Bank, the sale of Enel Romania, and the Alpha Bank-UniCredit merger;

- **Global Securitization Transactions** – The Bucharest lawyers led by Radu Ropota consistently advise global financial institutions, either as part of London teams or directly coordinating multi-jurisdictional (including US) teams, in connection with large-scale securitization transactions and the issue of related financial instruments;
- **Renewable Energy Transactions** – Nadia Badea, Loredana Ralea, Andreea Șișman and Madalina Rachieru-Postolache advise the largest and most active investors in the industry, across all areas - from acquisitions, to development, PPAs and project financing - in most major renewable energy transactions in the market, both in the solar and wind sectors;
- **Financing in International Markets** - Teams of lawyers in the Bucharest office, coordinated by Cosmin Anghel, advise arrangers on most Eurobond deals in Romania, including sovereign Eurobonds issued by the Romanian state;
- **Investigations or Class Action Litigation** - Lawyers in Bucharest collaborate with other Clifford Chance offices and advise global clients in relation to major regulatory investigations and legal proceedings under English law.