

L'Ambassadeur

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Cristian BOUNEGRU has been working at the French Embassy in the Republic of Moldova since the beginning of 2018. He has been running successfully an important cooperation program between France and Moldova. This program, designed by the French Agency for Immigration and Integration (OFII), helps Moldovan citizens residing in France to come back voluntarily to their home country and contribute to its development. OFII pays for the airfare and the re-installation costs of these people, and contributes to the initial costs of the establishment of a new business or a new activity for these recipients. OFII may also contribute to the training costs of the recipients, when necessary. This program is run together with the Moldovan Ministry of Health, Labor and Social Protection, which also provides for assistance to the recipients, according to the Moldovan regulation and policies.

Under the supervision of the OFII Regional Director based in Erevan (Armenia), Cristian BOUNEGRU prepares the interviews of all the Moldovan candidates to this program, gathers all the required information regarding their past experience and their professional project when back to Moldova. He submits these files to a selection Committee, which meets three times a year and that I preside, together with the Moldovan Secretary of State in charge of Labor. Once the individual reintegration projects are approved by this Committee, Cristian BOUNEGRU is in charge of the follow-up, together with two Moldovan local operators, which monitor the implementation of the program and the development of the new activities of the recipients in Moldova. In this work, Mr. BOUNEGRU answers both to his Regional Director and to me.

Since 2018, almost 400 projects of reintegration of Moldovan families from France to Moldova have been supported by OFFII, for a total amount of more than 2 M€.

Cristian BOUNEGRU has been the main coordinator of this successful program, which has been a significant contribution to the development of some rural areas in Moldova over the recent years, in the context of growing emigration of Moldovan population. Mr. BOUNEGRU interacts with many interlocutors, both in France, in Armenia and in Moldova, and he is in contact with public and private entities as well. He is very well integrated in the French Embassy's team in the Republic of Moldova.

In performing his multiple tasks, Cristian BOUNEGRU demonstrates many professional abilities: he is dedicated, methodic, precise, creative, flexible and service oriented. He has good judgement, diplomacy, excellent communication skills, and does not hesitate to give advice and to suggest initiatives. He is reliable. He is a good team player and has always in mind the interest of the institution that he represents. On many occasions, I could personally verify his integrity and his good morality, and I can certainly say that he has excellent relations with all his colleagues and interlocutors.

I highly recommend Cristian BOUNEGRU for any employment which meets his expectations and his multiple personal qualities and professional talents.

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