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Law on the approval of the
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Conservation 2026-2030

#biodiversity strategy

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INITIATIVE STATUS:

17.08.2026 - The CCR , by majority vote, rejected the objection of unconstitutionality and found that the Law is constitutional in relation to the criticisms made.

This law , as adopted by the Senate, approves **the National Strategy and Action Plan for Biodiversity Conservation 2026-2030** , establishing a framework for companies in agriculture, forestry, energy, transport, tourism, construction and resource exploitation that will tighten the integration of biodiversity criteria in the planning, authorization and financing of projects. In addition, the adoption of the Strategy fulfills **Milestone 31 (Reform 2, Component 2) of the PNRR** .

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NEXT STEPS:

 Enactment

 Publication

01 Adopted normative acts

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Government Decision to establish a state aid scheme for advanced technologies (TechUp Romania)

#Renwable energy #advanced technologies

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INITIATIVE STATUS:

20.08.2026 - adopted by the Government.

The decision provides for the establishment of a **state aid scheme for advanced technologies (TechUp Romania)** through which SMEs and large enterprises in DeepTech fields can finance integrated research and development projects and production or service provision capacities, with eligible costs between 5 and 50 million lei. The support combines grants with a 200% tax deduction for certain research and development expenses.

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NEXT STEPS:

 Publication

National news

No relevant updates.

European news

Environmental risk assessments published by EFSA: The European Food Safety Authority published the following documents:

- **Advancing the environmental risk assessment of non-target arthropods for plant protection products by accounting for the impact on ecosystem services and on the ecological function. Final report** - The report develops approaches to better assess the effects of plant protection products on non-target arthropods and related ecosystem services. It concludes that the developed methods and scenarios can support more ecologically relevant environmental risk assessments.
- **Advancing the environmental risk assessment of non-target arthropods for plant protection products by accounting for the impact on ecosystem services and on the ecological function. Experimental work on exposure** - The report assesses pesticide residues in non-target arthropods following different exposure routes to four formulated plant protection products. It found that direct overspray initially resulted in the highest residues, while dietary or contact exposure became more relevant afterwards depending on the species and life stage.
- **Advancing the environmental risk assessment of non-target arthropods for plant protection products by accounting for the impact on ecosystem services and on the ecological function. Experimental work on inter-species sensitivity** - The report assesses differences in the sensitivity of 16 non-target arthropod species to lambda-cyhalothrin, flupyradifurone and cyantraniliprole. It found substantial differences in sensitivity between species and life stages, supporting the consideration of a broader range of representative species in risk assessment.

CPVO published its Official Gazette 4/2026 on Community plant variety rights: The Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO) published the August 2026 edition of its Official Gazette, covering information from May 1 to June 30, 2026. The document reports applications for Community plant variety rights, proposed variety denominations, withdrawn applications, grants and refusals of protection, changes concerning applicants and right holders, termination of protection, contractual licences and appeals. It also includes CPVO Notice No. 3/2026 concerning decisions of its Administrative Council on technical examination guidelines.