



# IPOs ON THE ROMANIAN CAPITAL MARKET



# Bucharest Stock Exchange (BSE)

- Current market capitalization of over EUR 35 bn
- 2007 daily average liquidity of EUR16 mil. vs 11 mil. in 2006
- Liquidity steadily increasing in the last four years
- 2007 daily average number of trades over 6,000
- A total of 61 domestic companies and 1 foreign company (Erste Bank) listed on the regulated market
- 1945 companies on the OTC market



## Favoring factors for the IPO business in Romania

- IPOs interesting for issuers starting 2004 when valuations exceeded the levels offerred by private equity funds
- BSE introduced in 2003 a new system with a built-in primary market platform
- High quality legal advice available on the domestic market
- Local investors interested in new issues
- Foreign investors interested in Romania



- No preferential allocation allowed
- Pre-funding of subscriptions

# Hurdles for the IPO business in Romania

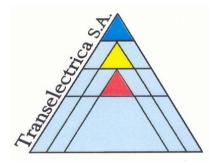
- Limited local investors base. Pension funds only started in 2007
- Very high retail <u>direct</u> participation
- Strong distribution network needed
- Basic practice open subscriptions book
- High market share foreign investors increased volatility



#### A slow start ...

- 2004: Broker Cluj / Self-IPO / EUR 2.3 mil.
- 2005: Vrancart / IFB / EUR 4.8 mil
- 2005: Flamingo / RCI & ING / EUR 12.7 mil
- 2006: Transelectrica / Alpha & RCI & BRD / EUR 34 mil
- 2006: Alumil / Alpha / EUR 8.4 mil
- 2007: Transgaz / RCI / EUR 65 mil





- The national transmission and system operator, providing the electricity transmission service, the technical management of the Romanian Power System and the administration of the electricity market
- Managers: Alpha & RCI & BRD
- Firsts:
  - First state-owned company ready to "go public" via capital market
  - Distribution Network consisting of 48 Raiffeisen Bank Branches
- Amount raised through the IPO: EUR 34.7 million
- Number of shares issued: 7.3 million
- Local investors: 75% of amounts subscribed
- 6.5 times oversubscribed





- The national operator of the natural gas transportation network
- Lead Manager: RCI
- Firsts:
  - Largest state-owned company ready to "go public" via capital market
  - · Allotment rights attached to the shares offered
  - Widest Distribution Network consisting of 122
    Raiffeisen Bank Branches
- Amount raised through the IPO: EUR 65 million
- Number of shares issued: 1.8 million
- Number of subscribers: over 12,000
- Local investors: 75% of amounts subscribed
- 28 times oversubscribed



# 2008 – the year of acceleration

- 3 small IPOs closed successfully in Q1
- At least 3 IPOs scheduled for Q2, out of which 2 by RCI
- Pension funds: 4.2 mil contributors and first sizeable amounts to be available in H2 2008
- Government strongly interested in pushing partial privatisations via the capital market
- Despite elections this year:
  - tender procedures launched for IPO of Bucharest International Airport
  - tender procedures to be launched for Romtelecom IPO
- Pipeline announced some 10 more IPOs
- PE funds increasingly interested in IPOs as exit solution
- First international listing Erste Bank
- Connection with main foreign markets functional



# To be expected in coming years

- Increasing competition on local market
- Listing of Proprietatea Fund
- Listings of state-owned companies
- Local market to get to some EUR 500 mil p.a. in IPOs in 3-5 years (not including very large one-off IPOs)
- Increasing participation of pension funds as investors

### **Expected listings**



The State 'Program for a Strong Market', initiated in 2004

Initial Company Sector float **Bucharest International Airport** Airport 5% Natural gas production & Romgaz 5% storage **Electrica Muntenia Nord Energy distribution** 10% **Electrica Transilvania Nord Energy distribution** 10% **Constanta Harbor Authority** Harbor authority 15%

Some 35 companies where the State is a majority shareholder, total Book Value of over EUR 9.4 bn

Company	Sector	Proprietate a Fund stake
Hidroelectrica	Energy production	20%
Nuclearelectrica	Energy production	20%
Turceni Energy Complex	Energy production	15%
Craiova Energy Complex	Energy production	15%
Rovinari Energy Complex	Energy production	15%
National Printing House	Printing	20%
National Post	Post services	25%
Romanian Lottery	Lottery services	20%

# Thank you for your attention!



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