

## Networking

### MD software in Switzerland

The Chamber of Commerce Switzerland – R. of Moldova (CHMD) established in Switzerland first connections for the Moldova software industry. The software company Mediasoft from Chisinau already benefited from the support of the Chamber and completed successfully two software projects for a Swiss company.

### Real Estate info meeting

CHMD informed at a venue in Zurich on August 6th Swiss Investors about Real Estate Investment opportunities for two concrete projects in Chisinau and two projects in Hincesti. Through its actions the Chamber is attempting to raise interest for the Real Estate market of the R. Moldova; CHMD believes there are good chances for future Swiss investments in this sector.

### SEC – Central European Chamber of Commerce

CHMD is currently building up contacts with SEC in view of a closer cooperation. The aim is to increase the awareness of the business opportunities in the R. of Moldova.

## Business Support

### Legal advising in Zurich

CHMD gave in August legal advice regarding a specific juridical issue in Moldova and managed through this to establish first promising contacts with the lawyer community in Zurich.

### Investments in the MD viticulture sector

CHMD did find in August first investors who committed funds to the viticulture sector. The Chamber hopes this will pave the way for further investments in this highly dynamic and interesting Moldovan sector.

### Agriculture machines

The Chamber performed, on request of a Moldovan farmer, a search for an agriculture machine. CHMD could forward a very interesting offer from a Swiss company for a Deutz Fahr 5670 HTS Balance, construction year 2001 for only 83,000 Euros.

### Company set up in MD

CHMD supported a Swiss businessman in the set up of a new company in the Republic of Moldova. The founding of the company went smooth and very quick to the full satisfaction of the involved parties. The Commercial Register was very efficient and matched EU standards.

## Investment Climate

### MD cumulative inflation increase of 6.0%

In August, the inflation rate in Moldova increased by 0.7% against the previous month, and cumulatively for eight months the inflation increased by 6.0% against last December, show data of the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS). Source: Basa-press

### Balance of trade

The deficit of the balance of trade of Moldova amounted to 1 bn 885.5 mln USD at the end July 2008 and increased by 56.1% (677.9 mln USD) against the one registered at the end of the same period last year. Source: Basa-press

## Outlook

### Presidential visit

According to the Embassy the visit of President Vladimir Voronin and its delegation in Switzerland is announced for the beginning of December (update will follow as more details will be known).

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