

# JOINT STATEMENT ON GREEN GROWTH

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between

**ROMANIA**

and

**THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND  
NORTHERN IRELAND**

Romania and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland:

*Taking into account* the common effort at European level in tackling climate change:

*Reaffirm their commitment* to keep average global temperature rises below 2 degrees, by reducing EU greenhouse gas emissions by 80-95% on 1990 levels by 2050.

*Emphasizing* the importance of cooperation in the field of environmental protection in order to fulfil the commitments stemming from international conventions, to which both countries are Parties,

*Acknowledging* that the transition to a low carbon, green future contributes significantly to growth and job creation and in this respect, underlines that ambitious long-term climate and energy, and resource policy frameworks are needed to set the direction for the low carbon, green transition of our economies and energy systems and reap the benefits of resource efficient, and low carbon development, timely completion of the single market and internal energy markets, development of modern infrastructure, especially for low carbon energy and an ambitious and cost-effective post-2020 vision based on an ambitious binding target for greenhouse gas emissions,

*Recognise* that a transition to a low carbon, green growth model requires substantial private sector investments in low carbon and resource efficient environmentally sound technologies and infrastructure, as a primary driving force,

*Call for* timely agreement on the EU 2030 climate and energy framework to give our businesses and investor's certainty and ensuring the EU is in a position to lead negotiations at the international level towards a global climate deal in 2015. In this

context, *take note* of the milestones in the 2050 low carbon roadmap of -40% in 2030 and -60% in 2040 representing domestic reductions and *look forward* to the Commissions White Paper on the 2030 framework.

**Commit to** the establishment of a UK-Romania Low Carbon Economy Dialogue with the aim to strengthen cooperation with reference to:

- Close cooperation in relation to European Union policies on climate change,
- Exchange of best practice for creation of low carbon, green jobs within the environmental and climate,
- Promote market based solutions and new technologies within these sectors, including the strengthening of the Emissions Trading System as a driver of cost-effective emission reductions and low carbon investments,
- Facilitate low carbon, green business opportunities for both Romanian and British companies.

Signed in London on 4 December, 2013.

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