

## Niculae HAVRILEȚ

### *Energy Expert*

Niculae Havrileț graduated the Technical University Cluj Napoca, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering – Technologies. Niculae Havrileț has over 40 years of experience in electricity field and natural gas, including over 20 years of experience in various leading positions in private companies or majority state-owned capital.

Moreover, Niculae Havrileț holds large experience in central public administration. Between 2012-2017, he has been the President of the National Energy Regulatory Authority (ANRE), including member of the Regulatory Authorities Council within the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy

Regulators (ACER) and member of the General Meeting of the Council of European Energy Regulators (CEER).

From February 2018 to November 2019, he was a personal advisor to the Minister of Energy for the National Energy Strategy for 2016-2030 until 2050.

As of December 2019, to March 2021, Niculae Havrileț was state secretary within the Ministry of Economy, Energy and Business Environment, leading the Department of Energy and Natural Gas.

During the period of holding its responsibilities from public positions, Romania implemented some of the most important modernization measures of the National Energy System, such as the establishment and strengthening of the OPCOM energy market, liberalization of

energy and natural gas markets, the abandonment of the obligation for Romanian



consumers to use gas from Russia, the interconnection of regional gas markets through the construction of pipelines in the BRUA corridor and the Tuzla - Oprisor pipeline in the context of developing offshore natural gas extraction platforms in the Black Sea, especially the Neptun Deep investment through the partnership of OMV Petrom-Romgaz, and Romania's support as the country holding the EU presidency for amending the EU Natural Gas Directive.

In 2000, he has received the “Order of the Star of Romania” Knight.