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Mr. Călinescu is the Head of the National Office for Crime Prevention and **Cooperation with Asset Recovery Offices since 2010**. **Mr Călinescu has a** sound background in criminology and criminal law, high-level expertise in corruption and organised crime issues, as well as practical experience in international relations and project management.

During his professional activity of over 15 years, Mr. Călinescu was involved in drafting and coordinating the implementation of national and sectoral crime prevention and anticorruption strategies, implementing national and international projects, cooperating with the national and international governmental and judicial anticorruption structures, establishing and strengthening the relation with the civil society and NGOs. Furthermore, **Mr. Călinescu was directly involved in technical assistance projects for** countries in South Eastern Europe. Since 2012, he also heads the **Technical Secretariat of Romania's National Anticorruption Strategy**.

Professional Summary

Within Ministry of Justice

- 1999 – 2004: legal advisor, chief of service for prevention of corruption, deputy director of the Directorate for the relation with Public Ministry, crime prevention and anticorruption;
- 2009 – 2010: General Director for Cooperation;
- since 2010: head of the National Office for Crime Prevention and Cooperation with Asset Recovery Offices;
- **since 2013: head of Romania's national delegation to GRECO.**

International career

- 2004 – 2007: anticorruption expert, Stability Pact Anticorruption Initiative (currently Regional Anticorruption Initiative), Regional Secretariat in Sarajevo, BiH, covering all SEE countries;
- 2007 – 2009: Long term anticorruption advisor, Joint Program of the European Commission and Council of Europe against corruption, money laundering and terrorist financing in the Republic of Moldova.