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## **INVESTOR DAY PLANS FOR FONDUL PROPRIETATEA**

Bucharest, 8 June 2011 – Franklin Templeton Investment Management Limited, investment manager and sole administrator of Fondul Proprietatea, “the Fund”, is organising a series of investor days to raise awareness of the Fund, its investment strategy and opportunity for institutional investors abroad.

Investor days are useful events that enable institutional foreign investors to meet the investment team on an individual basis and acquire an in-depth perspective of the fund and how it is managed. These events will be held in major cities across Europe in early June and in selected locations outside Europe in July.

Greg Konieczny, Fund Manager of Fondul Proprietatea said: “We are excited about these investor days which will take place internationally in order to continue to increase the visibility of Fondul Proprietatea as a strong investment opportunity among foreign investors. We have been promoting the fund and the benefits of investing in Romania since we took over the mandate as Fund Manager. We already have a very tight schedule with numerous institutional investors which demonstrates the high level of interest generated towards Fondul Proprietatea. Our efforts have so far been reflected in Fondul Proprietatea’s shareholder structure which shows an increase of over 10% of share capital in institutional holdings since the end of 2010.”

The Fund Manager has over 40 meetings planned with institutional investors including those pension funds and hedge funds targeting exposure in emerging and frontier markets. The meetings will take place in the following European cities: London, Warsaw, Stockholm, Frankfurt and Paris.

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Launched in December 2005, Fondul Proprietatea was established to compensate Romanians whose properties were confiscated by the former communist government. An international tender was announced in December 2008, and Franklin Templeton won the Euro 4.06 billion<sup>1</sup> Fondul Proprietatea mandate in July 2009 after being selected from among seven global asset managers. Franklin Templeton officially took over as investment manager and sole administrator of the Fund on 29 September 2010.

Franklin Templeton established an office in Bucharest in May 2010, with a team of 25 employees, including 6 locally based investment professionals who are further supported by the over 40 portfolio managers and analysts of the wider Templeton Emerging Markets team.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Franklin Templeton Investments, 30 April 2011, NAV reporting based on CNVM (local regulator) standards.