



Parlamentul României Senat

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OPINION of the SENATE of ROMANIA

**on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions
Commission Work Programme 2021
A Union of vitality in a world of fragility
COM(2020) 690 final**

The Romanian Senate examined the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions, Commission Work Programme 2021. A Union of vitality in a world of fragility - COM(2020) 690 final – according to the provisions of the Treaty of Lisbon, Protocol (no. 1).

Taking into account the report of Committee for European Affairs, **the Plenum of the Senate**, during its session of March 8, 2021

- 1) Welcomes the adoption of the Commission Work Programme for 2021, adjusted to the unprecedented challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has sharpened the long-term need for EU to be more resilient while maintaining the ambitious goals in other areas.
- 2) Notes that the Programme aims, moreover, at marking a shift in emphasis from strategic thinking to achieving results in all six priority objectives. The European Commission's decision to promote the "green" and digital transitions is confirmed as a unique opportunity to overcome the fragility of the crisis and create new vitality for the EU.
- 3) Supports the European Commission's priorities and political initiatives, as they converge with the programmatic framework agreed at European level by adopting the EU Strategic Agenda for 2019-2024.

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