

**Decision of the Romanian Chamber of Deputies to adopt the
Opinion on the
Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the
European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions
on working towards an asbestos-free future: a European approach to addressing
the health risks of asbestos
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The Chamber of Deputies supports the Communication from the Commission on working towards an asbestos-free future: a European approach to addressing the health risks of asbestos, recognises the need for efforts to identify asbestos not only in buildings in urban areas but also in buildings in hard-to-reach rural areas, as well as the need for an integrated approach to large volumes of asbestos-containing waste.

At the same time, it makes a number of recommendations: including rural areas with very old buildings in a distinct manner in the planned campaign to raise awareness on the safe removal of asbestos, carry out early diagnosis programmes for non-cancerous asbestos diseases harmonized at Union level, supporting the efforts of the Eastern Partnership countries for asbestos removal and discouraging asbestos production in third countries.