

SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

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Abstract:

This study (National Strategy) is built on the premise that accelerated development in the medium and long run in its three essential components (economic, social and environmental) is not just one of the possible options, but an essential precondition for gradually closing the gap which still separates Romania, in terms of quality of life, from the EU average level within the shortest possible time and for ensuring real cohesion both nationally and in the broader EU framework. The economic developments in Romania over the past 7 years (2001-2007), with an annual growth rate of the gross domestic product of more than 6% compared to the EU average of under 2%, demonstrate that it is possible to attain this objective.

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