# Gheorghe Sârbu

**Government Affairs, Science & Technology** 

Interested in practical measures for e-government, intensive automation of all areas of human activity and its socio-political implications, and the management and psychology of ICT education/digital skills.

Technical interests are in large-scale IT enterprise architectures and business process modelling tools for digital transformation and optimization of flows.

Recipient of the "30 under 30" Romania award, in 2017, for work with innovative IT start-ups, from Forbes.

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Alumnus of the International Visitor Leadership Program 2020, "Technology for Social Good", US State Department.

### **Experience**

### JULY 2023 - PRESENT

### Chancellery of the Prime Minister of Romania

### Advisor to the Head of the Chancellery of the Prime Minister

Areas related to: content coordination of the 3SI Business Forum 2023; public policy for science & technology; public policy for intellectual property

#### February 2022 - Present

### Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digitalization

### **Advisor to State Secretary**

Areas related to public policy for research and innovation, and Romania's membership application to the OECD on matters of digital.

### DECEMBER 2022 - PRESENT

### **Innovation Labs Romania**

### **Advisor**

Member of Advisory Board, at Innovation Labs

# JANUARY 2017 – DECEMBER 2022

### **Innovation Labs Romania**

### **Community Manager & Innovation Mentor**

Executive responsibilities related to organising the nation-wide side of the IT start-up preaccelerator Innovation Labs. Teaching classes and mentoring teams of students on topics such as Enterprise architectures, customer discovery and development, preliminary legal advice on new business models, technological versatility, standardization, quantified presentation of business outcomes.

### JANUARY 2022 - MAY 2022

### Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

#### **Advisor to the Minister**

Areas related to institutional digital transformation and sectorial innovation

# OCTOBER 2019 - FEBRUARY 2020

# Agency for Digital Agenda of Romania (precursor of current ADR)

#### **Vice-President**

Vice-President (State Under-Secretary) – strategies, policies, programmes, and projects for digital transformation of public administration; co-ordination of transformation from state agency to state authority (wrote governing document)

# SEPTEMBER 2019 - FEBRUARY 2020

## **Ministry of Communications and Information Society**

### **Delegated National Expert - Digital Europe Programme**

Represented Romania in the European Commission's Group of Experts for the Digital Europe Programme. Managing Romania's involvement in the Program and developing recommendations for decision-makers.

Pillars of the Digital Europe Programme: Supercomputers; Artificial Intelligence; Cyber Security; Advanced Digital Skills; E-Government and Digital Economy

# SEPTEMBER 2018 - OCTOBER 2019

## **Ministry of Communications and Information Society**

### IT&C Expert - Operational Program for Technical Assistance

Part of the ministry's team of experts responsible with providing technical assistance (advice, writing of project documentations) for digital transformation efforts of central administration.

# SEPTEMBER 2017 - OCTOBER 2019

## Ministry of Communications and Information Society

### **IT&C Expert - member of CTS**

Member of the Technical Commission of Specialists (CTS) attached to the Technical-Economical Committee for Information Society of the Government of Romania (CTE). Job responsibilities included the analysis of publicly-funded projects with an IT component and the proposal of recommendations for the CTE. Analysis criteria: cyber security, interoperability, technological neutrality, multiple financing.

# JANUARY 2017 - OCTOBER 2019

# **Ministry of Communications and Information Society**

### **Advisor to the Minister**

Advisory responsibilities in areas related to:

- Implementation of the IT part of the Governing Manifesto 2016-2020.
- Simplification, harmonization, and innovation of legislation related to digital economy and society.
- Application of key digital enablers in public administration for implementation of EC eGovernment Action Plan 2016-2020.
- Analysis and plan to implement the Single Digital Gateway for Romania.
- Coordination role over the preliminary phases in the construction of unified strategies for Romania, in the fields of central government digital transformation and AI adoption.

# OCTOBER 2016 - OCTOBER 2019

# Politehnica University of Bucharest, Computers Department

#### **Teaching Assistant**

Teaching assistant in the areas of Computer Architecture, hardware description languages and assembly programming.

OCTOBER 2012 - SEPTEMBER 2016

# **University of Cambridge**

**Research Associate** 

Part of the Computer Architecture Research Group at the Computer Laboratory, University of Cambridge. Supervise students in the areas of Digital Design, Computer Architecture, System-on-Chip and Hardware Support for Operating Systems.

### OCTOBER 2009 - JUNE 2011

### Politehnica University of Bucharest, Computers Department

## **Associated Teaching Assistant**

Conducted laboratory and teaching work in the Electronics and Computer Architecture Laboratories.

#### Education

### 2012 - 2016 University of Cambridge

### **Doctoral Training Programme, Computer Science and Technology**

Work on energy-efficient many-core chips, reconfigurable computing, and heterogeneous scheduling.

Activities and Societies: Cambridge Romanian Society (Committee), Hughes Hall Middle Common Room (Committee), Computer Laboratory Faculty Board (Committee)

### 2011 - 2012 University of Cambridge

### Master of Philosophy (MPhil), Advanced Computer Science

Grade: 78 (Distinction – 1st Class Honours)

Dissertation: Power Modelling and Validation for Digital Logic

Activities and Societies: Cambridge Romanian Society, Hughes Hall Middle Common Room

## 2007 - 2011 Politehnica University of Bucharest

### BEng, Automatic Control and Applied Computer Science

Grade: 10.0/10.0 (Valedictorian).

Dissertation: VLSI Implementation of DSP Algorithms

Activities and Societies: Student Representative, Students League (LSAC, UNSR)

### 2003 - 2007 Colegiul Dobrogean "Spiru Haret" Tulcea

### High School, Baccalaureate, Mathematics and Computer Science

Baccalaureate: 9.92/10.00 (Valedictorian)

Activities and Societies: History National Olympiad, Physics Olympiad, Mathematics

Olympiad, Economics Olympiad, Student Council, Head of Class

### Foreign Languages

## English | French

(Native proficiency) | (Professional proficiency)

### Italian

(Basic proficiency)

### **Skills and Hobbies**

- Public policies
  - Digital Transformation, Digital Skills

- Research & Innovation, Innovative Entrepreneurship
- Information Technology
  - Software Development, Computer Architecture, Hardware Description, Machine Learning, Operating Systems
  - Interested in pursuing activities related to automation of daily life, e-government.
- Education
  - Teaching experience, RO and UK, high school, and university
- Socio-political interests
  - Formal debate experience
  - Topics of interests: quality and relevance of teaching means and methods; grammar; history; political philosophy; left wing doctrine; internationalism; globalization; 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> industrial revolutions.

### Hobby

- SciFi, Historical Fantasy;
- Grand Strategy, 4X, Simulators, VR, AR;
- Planning and strategizing.