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Agribusiness & Academic Delegation from Romania & Moldova to the USA Co-Organized by the American Embassy in Romania, Ministry of Agriculture & Rural Development & National Agency for Land Reclamation – NLRA of Romania

- A. Big Iron Farm Show, Fargo, ND: September 8-12, 2024
- B. Optional Visits to Colorado & California: September 12-19, 2024

Tentative Agenda:

A. Big Iron Farm Show, Fargo, ND: September 8-12, 2024

Sunday, September 8th, 2024:

Evening Flight from Romania to Fargo, ND

Accommodation in Fargo

Monday, September 9th, 2024:

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2:00 PM Farm Tour at TBD

5:00 PM Welcome Dinner at Cellar 624 – 624 Main Ave Ste 4b, Fargo, ND 58103

7:00 PM Bus departs for hotel accommodation in Fargo

Tuesday, September 10th, 2024:

8:15 AM Bus departs for Big Iron Farm Show

9:00 AM Big Iron Farm Show at the Red River Valley Fairgrounds – West Fargo, ND

- Tour Big Iron Farm Show
- Attend one-on-one meetings with North Dakota companies
- Refreshments available in International Visitors Pavilion. No meals provided
- Food is available for purchase on the show grounds
- 4:00 PM Bus departs Big Iron for hotel in Fargo
- 5:30 PM Bus departs for VIP Reception
- 6:00 PM VIP Reception at the Plains Art Museum 704 1st Ave N, Fargo, ND 58102
- 7:00 AM Bus departs for hotel accommodation in Fargo

Wednesday, September 11th, 2024:

- 7:15 AM Bus departs for morning tour
- 8:00 AM Tour at Titan Machinery Dealership 3314 70th St S, Glyndon, MN
 - Titan has over one hundred full-service agricultural and construction equipment dealer locations in North America and Europe. During the Big

Iron IVP, you will have the opportunity to visit one of the local Titan Machinery Dealerships and learn first-hand how they support agriculture not only in the US, but globally

10:00 AM Bus departs for RDO Equipment Dealership

10:30 AM Tour at RDO Equipment Dealership – 2960 34th St S, Moorhead, MN

- RDO Equipment company started as a fledgling store in Casselton, ND and throughout the past 50 years, RDO Equipment Co. has grown and expanded to more than 75 stores across the United States, as well as internationally in Africa, Australia, Mexico, Russia, and Ukraine as RDO International.
- Lunch will be provided

12:30 PM Bus departs for Grand Farm

1:15 PM Tour at Grand Farm – 3729 153rd Ave SE, Wheatland, ND

• The Grand Farm Initiative was created to solve the biggest problems facing agriculture. It started around a community challenge and has transformed into a global leader in AgTech innovation. Grand Farm and its partners are collaborating on cutting-edge autonomous and advanced ag tech innovations.

4:00 PM Bus departs for hotel accommodation in Fargo

Thursday, September 12th, 2024:

8:30 AM Bus departs for morning tour

9:00 AM Tour at Amity Technology – 2800 7th Ave N, Fargo, ND 58102

• Amity Technology is an agricultural manufacturing company specializing in sugar-beet harvesting equipment and grain-bin carts with the fastest unloading speed on the market. They also specialize in crop-management tools such as soil-sampling, soil-labs and compaction management.

11:00 PM Bus departs for Big Iron Farm Show

1:30 PM Afternoon Programming - TBD

- Ag. Education with NCI
- Autonomous Nation at Red River Valley Fairgrounds

Evening Flight from Fargo, ND to Romania / Denver, CO

B. Optional Agribusiness & Academic Visits to Colorado & California: September 12-19, 2024

Thursday, September 12th, 2024:

Accommodation in Denver, CO

Friday, September 13th, 2024:

Morning Romanian Ag Officials' Visit of the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation – USBR

Denver's Federal Technical Service Center to be replicated at the National

Land Reclamation Agency – NLRA of the Romanian Ag Ministry

Noon Field Trip to Colorado State University's Ag Sciences College in Fort Collins Afternoon Tour of Fort Collins, CO-based Rubicon Water Systems America's Factory

Evening Bus departs for hotel accommodation in Denver, CO

Saturday, September 14th, 2024

Flight from Denver, CO to Los Angeles-LA, CA Transfer by bus for hotel accommodation in LA

Sunday, September 15th, 2024:

Visit of the Romanian-American Community and Consulate General in LA Transfer by bus for hotel accommodation in LA

Monday, September 16th, 2024:

Morning Visit of the University of Southern California - USC Viterby ReWater Center Noon Field Trip at Terra Bella Irrigation District & Friant-Kern Water Canal to be replicated in Romania by continuing the construction of the "Siret River –

Bărăgan Plain" Irrigation Canal in the South-Eastern Region of Romania

Afternoon Bus departs for hotel accommodation in Fresno

Tuesday, September 17th, 2024:

Morning Meeting with U.S. CS Fresno's irrigation clients at Fresno University's

Jordan College of Ag Sciences & Technology

Noon Field Trip at the US Department of Interior – Bureau of Reclamation's Mid-

Pacific Region – Southcentral California Area Office in Fresno & Friant Dam on the upper San Joaquin River in Sierra Nevada Foothills of Fresno County

Afternoon Bus departs for hotel accommodation in Fresno

Wednesday, September 18th, 2024:

Morning Field Trip at the Turlock Irrigation District's NEXUS Project with solar

panels above the Turlock Irrigation Canals to be replicated in Romania through the construction by the National Land Reclamation Agency - NLRA of the Galatui - Calarasi Pilot Project in Calarasi County within Repower EU-

National Resilience & Recovery Plan

Noon Tour of Modesto-based Rubicon Water automated solutions for smart water

gates in operation on gravitational open canals to be replicated in Romania

through the National Program to Rehabilitate Primary Irrigation Canals

Afternoon Bus departs for hotel accommodation in San Francisco

Thursday, September 19th, 2024:

Morning Visit of Univ. of California-Berkeley's Rausser College of Natural Resources

Noon Flight from San Francisco, CA to Romania

BENEFITS:

Assistance for Romanian & Moldovan Delegates in the USA:

- Complimentary admission to the **Big Iron Farm Show**
- Support with identifying and meeting with U.S. exhibitors
- Complimentary access to the International Visitors Pavilion with business meeting rooms & internet access
- Assistance with translation during meetings
- Tours of large farms and colleges of agricultural sciences
- Site visits to gain hands-on experience on the use of advance irrigation canals, smart water pumping stations, and large capacity water dams in the USA

U.S. VISA APPLICATION PROCESS:

For guidance on visa application process, which is the responsibility of the delegate, please visit websites of <u>U.S. Embassy in Romania</u> or <u>U.S. Embassy in Moldova</u>. Participation in delegation has no influence or bearing on visa decision rendered by U.S. Embassies in Bucharest & Chisinau.

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