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#### BRAILA PERI-URBAN ZONE PLAN

(P.A.T.Z.P. Braila)

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## **Urban system Braila — Galati on the Danube River**



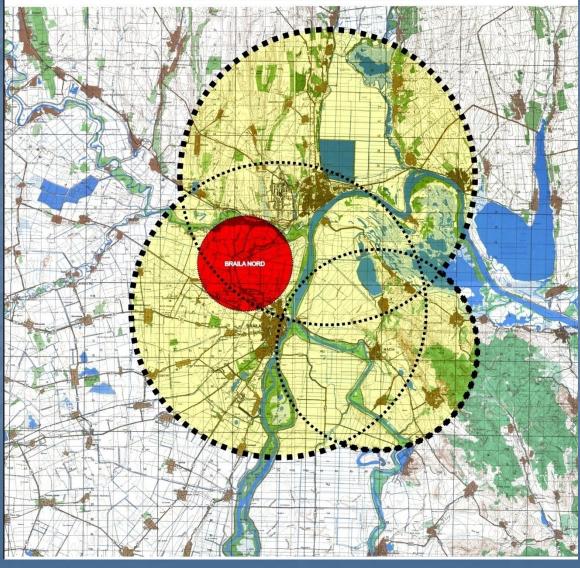
Braila - Galati is close to a triplex confinum border (Romania-R.Moldova-Ukraine)



ETAPA 4 - STRATEGIA DE DEZVOLTARE A TERITORIULUI DE NORD AL PERIURBANULUI MUNICIPIULUI BRAILA SI REGULAMENTUL - CADRU DE URBANISM PENTRU ACEST TERITORIU

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#### RAZA DE INFLUENTA A SISTEMULUI URBAN BRAILA-GALATI



## BRAILA PERI-URBAN ZONE

according to the No.351 Law - National Territory Planning (IV-th Section)

- Braila Galati is the only Urban system according to this law
- Historical concurence of the two Cities, Braila and Galati, make almost impossible until now a co-ordinated spatial development territory
- Population of zone decrease from 570 000 (2001) to app. 520 000 (2011)

#### The main aim of the plan P.A.T.Z.P.Braila

- Spatial planning proposal for the development territory
   between the two cities (on Braila county administrative territory)
- Valorification of the territorial potential by:
  - Increasing Accesibility:
    - > For a future international airport
    - > An future express-way Brăila Galați and further link to A2 highway
    - > A future bridge over the Danube

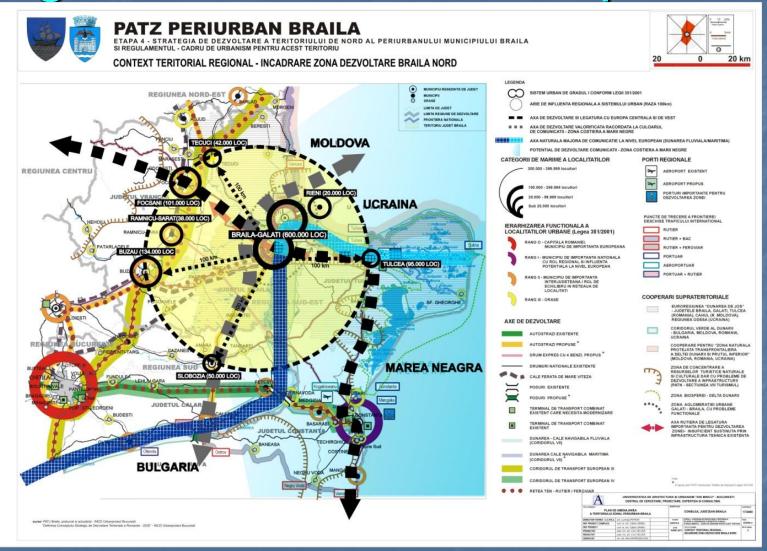
#### RESTRICTIVE ELEMENTS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT

- = Environment matters
- Natural and built heritage, including the landscape
- Human settlement network
- > The concentration of the population (55% of the total counties population lives in the peri-urban zone territory)
- > Decrease of the industrial activities
- Geostrategic matters

#### DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL ELEMENTS

- Natural environment
  - > Two maritime ports Danube is linked to the Black sea
- Natural, built and landscape heritage
- Human settlement network
- > The two nearby cities at about 15 km distance
- > The greatest urban agglomeration of Romania after Bucharest
- Geostrategic position on the Est of the EU

### Regional Context development



Braila and Galati - monocephal counties - An urban agglomeration in a sea of rurality

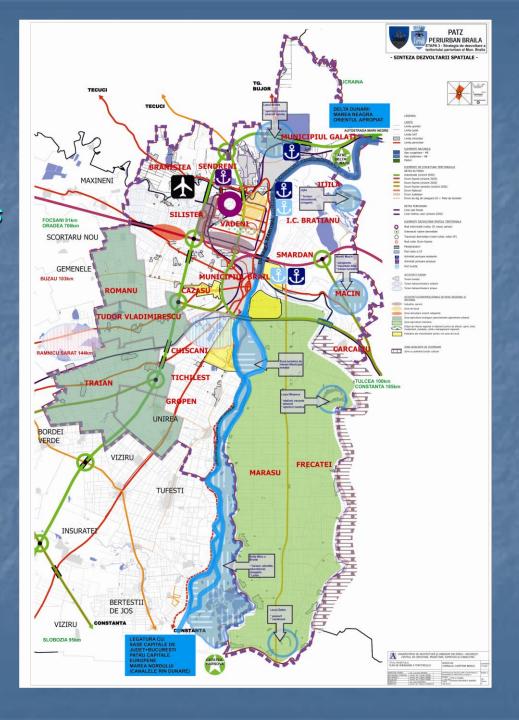
## Development vision

- THE URBAN SYSTEM BRĂILA-GALAȚI WILL BE
  - > AN UE GATE TO THE EAST

> LOGISTIC PLATFORM OF A
CONTINENTAL LEVEL

#### **Spatial development**

- Human settlement network (public networks for local, regional and national levels)
- Intermodal transport node (highway, railroad, maritime and river navigation, airport)
- Operational center (stock of the data, operations, decisions, monitoring – for whole territory)

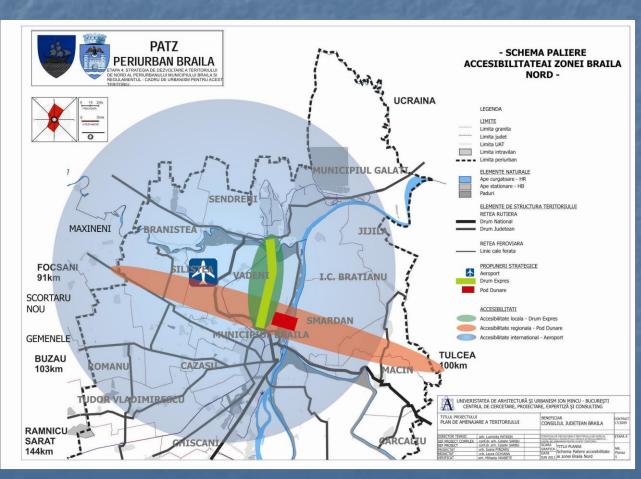


# Essential physical conditions of development

- Development of a balanced human settlements network of the two counties (Braila and Galati)
- Increasing the accesibility of the territory at local, regional, national and international levels
- Complex hydro-technical infrastructure development

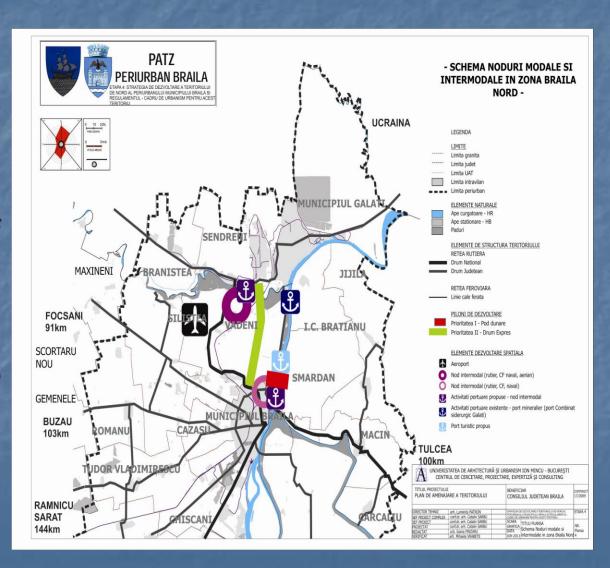
# Three pillars of the future territorial development (phisical accesibility)

- **1. LOCAL** An expressway and a light railway Braila-Galati
- **2. REGIONAL** A bridge over the Danube river
- 3. INTERNATIONAL
  - An international airport



### Hydrotechnical works

- A new system of dams against flooding
- A new commercial port in the North of Braila
- A touristic port for local and river cruis ships
- Preparing of Siret river for navigation

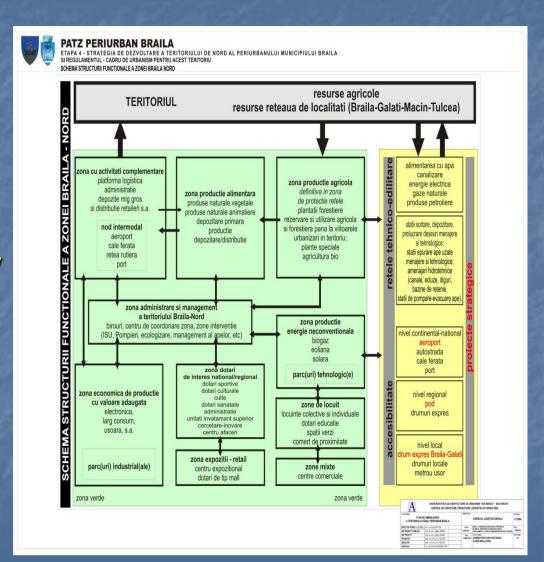


#### **Economic redevelopment**

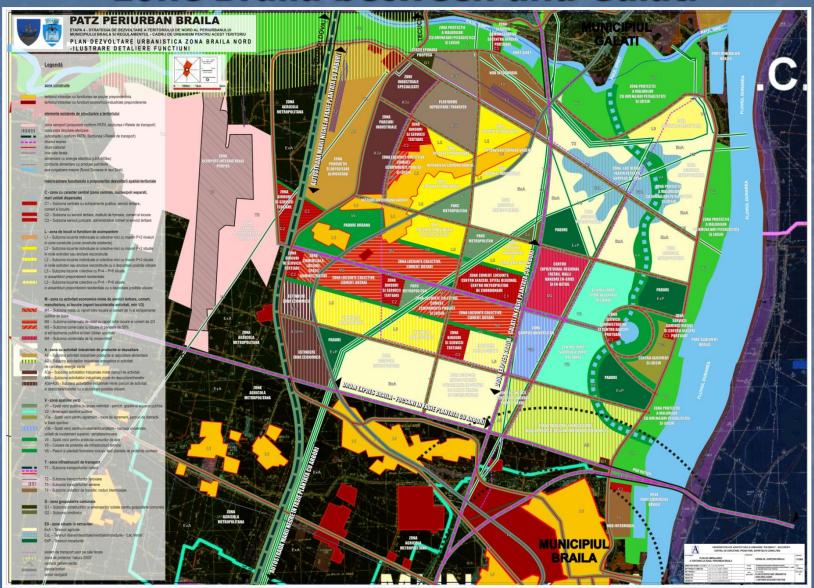
Zone as a a complex activity park

Transport activities based on intermodal transport

- \* transfer zones
- local logistic poles
   (storage/primary
   processing/regional and
   local distribution)
- Developing of research innovation centers microproduction (linked to
   performance industries)
- Integration of development processes of zone within
   Danube Strategy objectives



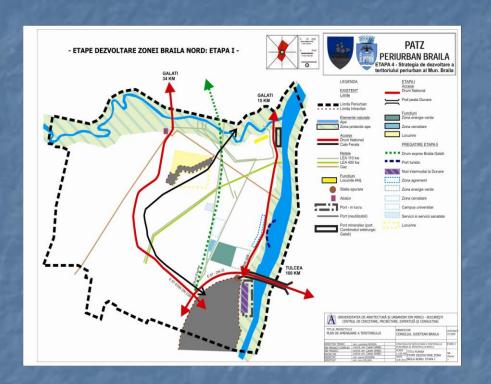
## Long term spatial development features of zone Braila between and Galati

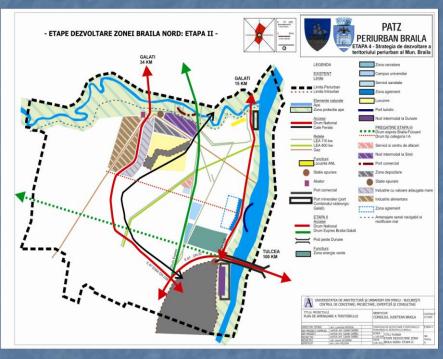


# PREREQUISITE ELEMENTS FOR AN INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT, NEED TO ACCOMPLISH OBJECTIVES

- Structuring a complex institutional network vertical and horizontal levels
- Solving the problems of the land property
- Legislative matters
- Establish a complex management unit able to administrate coherently and integrate technically the development of Braila – Galati urban system

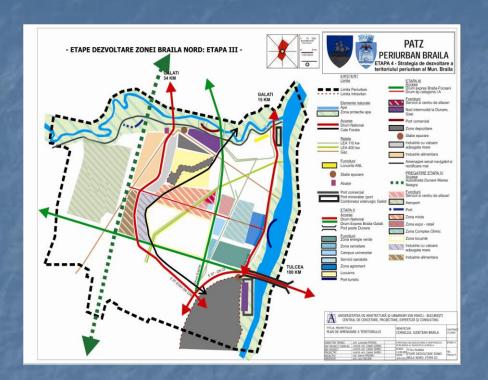
#### Possible stages for spatial development





1. Hydrotechnical works (ports, dams)
Bridge over Danube river
Express road Braila – Galati

2. Food industry
High level added value industry
Intermodal infrastructures
Renewable energy zone





3. Researches infrastructure
Sports areas
Dwelings, social
Airport
Extension of the industries

4. Dwelings
Mixed functions areas
Express motorways
Loisir, social

# A question concerning specific territorial strategic development (not only for Romania):

which is now the right balance between

- concentration of the activities and population in/around the big urban agglomerations and
- structuring an intercommunality national system around little urban-rural centers

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