## The Romanian Association of International Medicine Manufacturers (ARPIM) addresses European Medicines Agency (EMA) staff in an open letter, in support of Romania's candidacy

"We are confident in the city of Bucharest and its potential speaking in its favour in talks on EMA relocation to Romania. Bucharest is a growing city with a level of costs well below that of the other candidate countries, able to meet all the needs of EMA employees and their families, from the potential it provides for employment of partners to the educational choices available to their children", said Dr. Nicolae Fotin, President of the National Agency for Medicines and Medical Devices (NAMMD).

"More than half of executives of ARPIM member companies are expats who often say that expats weep twice when hearing about Romania: on learning they are to come over and on finding they have to leave.

For EMA employees, relocation to Bucharest means relocation to a yet undiscovered city, with much to offer to its residents. For Bucharest and Romania, EMA relocation translates into numerous economic and social benefits", added Mr. Liviu Popescu, ARPIM Director of External Relations.

Some expats' testimonials available on <a href="http://www.emabucharest.ro/">http://www.emabucharest.ro/</a>

along with other information on EMA relocation to Bucharest are proof of what Romania's capital city has to offer to a foreigner choosing to live and work here with his family: safety, friendly and welcoming people, speakers of English, a modern city with wonderful surroundings, facilities for sports activities and, last but not least, a high-level international educational system.

Such confessions as "Bucharest has exceeded my expectations" or "We feel like home now in Bucharest and strangers in....." make us reiterate Bucharest city's potential to host EMA employees without disappointing them.