

Your Excellency,
Distinguished guests,

On this special day, when we celebrate Japan's National Day, we mark an important moment not only for Japan, but also for the relations of friendship and cooperation between our countries. It is an opportunity to reflect on the traditions, values and achievements of an admirable people, who managed to build, with work and dedication, a prosperous and internationally respected nation.

Japan is an example of excellence in terms of discipline, innovation and respect for work. In this context, we would like to emphasize that the lessons we can draw from Japan's experience are valuable for the development not only of the economy, but also of society as a whole. Japan has managed to build a model of sustainable prosperity, in which the well-being of citizens is closely linked to respect for the work ethic and work-life balance.

Romania has a close collaboration with Japan in many areas: from trade and technology, to education and culture. At the governmental level, we strive to strengthen these ties through policies that support economic exchanges, but also through mutual respect for the fundamental values of each nation.

In Romania, we continue to focus on labor reforms, in order to create an economic and social environment that meets the needs of all citizens. Taking inspiration from Japan's example, we want to promote a work culture where responsibility, innovation and respect for diversity are the cornerstone of a more prosperous future.

I would like to congratulate Japan on its outstanding achievements and to thank for the example it sets. I assure you of our continued commitment to deepening bilateral relations and supporting the promotion of a better future for all our citizens.

Thank you!