

Phony Electoral Campaign and War Preparations Underway in Romania

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April 17—After the annulment of Romania's presidential election process in December 2024, which shocked the world, a new, purged presidential election campaign started on April 4, with the first round of voting scheduled for May 4. The Central Electoral Bureau arrogated to itself the power to decide who conforms to the Constitution (i.e., who is pro-NATO/ EU), so two nationalist candidates were rejected from the new election process: Călin Georgescu, who was leading in the polls, and Diana Șoșoacă, a Member of the European Parliament. The Constitutional Court validated these bans. Now the system's candidates are trying to copycat Georgescu's TikTok success—he got the biggest share (23%) of the vote in the November 2024 first round of elections—by making funny social media videos about everything except reality.

The most visible anti-system option among the 11 candidates is George Simion, leading in polls at around 30% and endorsed by Georgescu. Simion is the leader of the AUR party and executive vice-president of the European Conservatives and Reformists Party. Simion, 38 years old, is a former grassroots nationalist activist and EU reformer, with a message on economic sovereignty. He is pro-NATO, but criticizes support for the Ukraine war. He also argues for the reunification of Romania with the majority ethnically Romanian Republic of Moldova.

"The Călin Georgescu phenomenon," that is, his candidacy, election success, censoring, and his peaceful fight, has been a wakeup call for people. Under judicial supervision, Georgescu has stepped into the shadows, but the informal CG movement he inspired



Călin Georgescu Facebook page

Călin Georgescu, the leading candidate in the presidential election in Romania, with supporters. He was banned from the ballot March 9: He opposes Romanian support for the war in Ukraine. The movement he inspired marches on.

still exists. Many leaders of the CG activist groups are community organizers, not directly involved in politics. They are very similar in outlook to the French *gilets jaunes* (yellow vests) movement, with an extra touch of Christianity. The CG movement converged, after the November election, with the AUR movement, which is a relatively new but structured political opposition party, for the organization of the big pro-democracy demonstrations earlier this year. After the March 9 ban on Georgescu, they organized for an impressive two-day, last-minute mobilization in order to gather between 400,000 and one million voters' physical signatures, to secure a sovereigntist option on the ballot, replacing Georgescu. This resulted in Simion's candidacy, and also took the place of possible violent street protests.

Nevertheless, a split exists on whether to continue to focus the fight against the injustice of the annulled



Călin Georgescu Facebook page

Călin Georgescu's supporters rally in support of their candidate.

2024 election, or to focus on getting votes in this new, purged election. There are incessant dirty operations intended to intimidate activists, journalists, and the rest of the population, involving arrests of TikTok influencers, searches, aggressive press campaigns, lawsuits against citizen comments on social media, and internet censorship.

Several commentators, like journalist Ion Cristoiu, stated that, after the Trump election earthquake, Romania passed overnight from being under an American tutelage to being under a French one, noting President Macron's intervention in the [2024 presidential election](#), just before the December annulment, by speaking out in favor of Georgescu's second round opponent, Elena Lasconi. Also of note were the two recent meetings between Macron and Romanian interim President Ilie Bolojan, and the visit of the French ambassador to the Romanian Constitutional Court on March 5. According to the official communiqué, Ambassador Nicolas Warnery blatantly expressed a "message of support and solidarity with the Constitutional Court of Romania" just four days before the new ban on

Georgescu. Of further note, there is the prospect of this having a boomerang effect on France. "At the end of the meeting, both sides discussed the opportunity to meet bilaterally with the French Constitutional Council in order to exchange jurisprudence and best practices," said the communiqué.

War Preparations

In the meantime, the docile Romanian government and interim President Ilie Bolojan are engaging the country in the Anglo-French pro-war policy of the Coalition of the Willing and of Brussels, launching measures for rearmament and for a war economy, and avoiding parliamentary debates or votes. On March 27, after a meeting of the Coalition of the Willing, Bolojan announced that peacekeeping forces for Ukraine could be "localized on the Eastern Flank," and that, "the transit of these forces will only be possible by including Romania," which should be prepared as a logistical hub.

In this context, Bolojan also declared that an increase of NATO forces in Romania, after the next



U.S. Air Force/Senior Airman Seth Watson

A U.S. B-52H Stratofortress makes its initial landing at Mihail Kogălniceanu Air Base in Romania.

NATO summit in June, would be plausible. He nevertheless was obliged to refuse the highly unpopular idea of sending Romanian troops to Ukraine. But he does foresee Romania planning to accommodate 10,000 troops in the future at the “biggest NATO base in Europe” at Mihail Kogălniceanu, even if TV station ProTV headlined its coverage of this prospect, “Kogălniceanu Base Expanding, but Future Uncertain: U.S. Could Reduce Military Presence.”

In any case, the French are present on the scene, and bragging about it. A recent [Le Figaro article](#) reported on French activity in the “Focșani Door,” a corridor between the Danube River and the Carpathian Mountains. “The Allies needed up-to-date knowledge of the supposed future battlefield,” said the commanding colonel, referring to a supposed Russian invasion. It is notable that this corridor is useful in both directions, from and to Russia.

On the economics side, Bolojan announced in his first press conference in February the transfer of state-owned defense factories, from oversight in the Ministry of Economics to the Ministry of Defense. Concerning transport infrastructure projects, he said at a March 27 press conference that he considers military connectivity as a key element to regional development, securing “more

jobs and better opportunities for Romanians living in Eastern Romania.” A north-south highway leading to Ukraine has already been under construction, and a new bridge over the Danube connecting Romania and Bulgaria is being planned for a Romania-Bulgaria-Greece military corridor.

Meantime, all eyes are on the United States. The suspension of Romania from the U.S. Visa Waiver Program, which the country was supposed to enter into at the end of March, has been interpreted by Romanian commentators as a first sign of American measures against the

war-plan-friendly Bucharest regime, by President Donald Trump’s war-plan-unfriendly Administration. Many speculate on the possible impact of an American investigation into corruption tied to the Ukraine war. There is speculation that the U.S. could refuse to recognize the May 2025 Romanian election results.

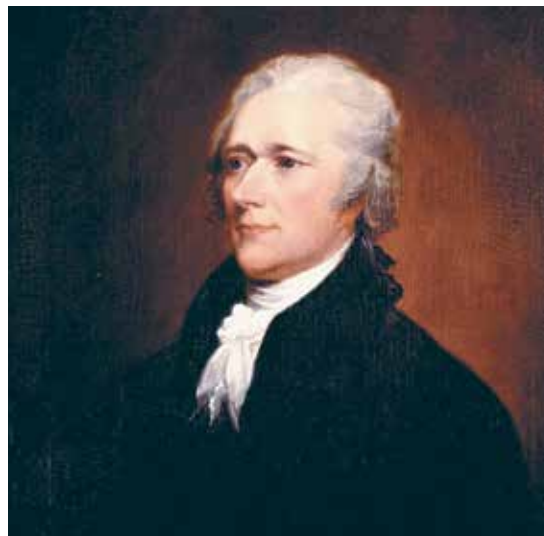
Georgescu Invokes Alexander Hamilton

Whatever the presidential election outcome might

be on May 18, the date of the second round, the “time machine” that the government has activated to artificially trap the population in a never-ending past will not be able to work.

In his [interview with Tucker Carlson](#), April 10, Georgescu very interestingly invoked the legacy of the first U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, and military leader, Alexander Hamilton: “I wish to make a Hamiltonian Romania in a sense to be totally independent, to provide a performance economy, that depends only on your natural resources, not [on] debt, you

know? So we can be a Hamiltonian powerhouse in Eastern Europe or also in Europe, just because we have to follow the best which we had in the world. And one of the best, which I recognize myself, is the founding father of the United States, Alexander Hamilton.”



John Trumbull's 1806 portrait of Alexander Hamilton.

Even if one could ask how Georgescu, this ex-member of the Club of Rome, could precisely interpret Hamilton's ideas, the American System of political economy is embedded in Romanian history. It was an important reference for the builders of the modern state of Romania in the 19th Century, as it was in many other countries.

This anti-colonial American tradition of organized scientific and technological development of society faded away, and almost disappeared in Romania, but Georgescu's remarks show that it somehow has survived. In any case, a Hamiltonian productive credit system represents the quickest way to escape from war, and from the status as a colony, and to instead move into the future. These ideas, if understood and unleashed a second time in and by the United States, as envisaged by American economist and statesman Lyndon LaRouche, could quickly flourish everywhere else. They can help the whole world to throw off its shackles.

Călin Georgescu on Alexander Hamilton and the Need for Peace

Călin Georgescu, the banned, former frontrunning candidate for President in Romania, was recently interviewed by Tucker Carlson. He reflected the current pattern of leaders turning to the legacy of the American System long advocated by Lyndon LaRouche. Some excerpts demonstrating such thinking are presented here.

I used to guarantee, in fact, that all my actions represent nothing but a selfless sense of duty to my people, to my Romanian people. And of course I have a dream of freedom and dignity for the Romanian people. I was denied by the globalist mafia which ... control this region like a colony. ...

And in this moment, legally I have not the right to

participate in any campaign for the position as President of Romania. I wish to mention to you the most important point, which in fact ... alarms them—and the most important is peace; peace and freedom. Because to the second one, I just want to say that they have fear of free Romania more than fear [of] war. This I wish to [make] very clear. The second one, the most important topic on earth, is peace.

What kind of peace do I mean? Genuine peace. Exactly as President Kennedy said in 1963 in front of American University; [it] was a fantastic speech. ... This peace, this kind of peace is the peace which makes life on earth happy: children happy, families happy, happiness in general. What we have today ... I can tell you, every third person says, today I'm hungry. Every second person today says, I'm thirsty. And almost everybody says, I fear. This is a most important point of control of [the globalists]. The only thing we have to fear is fear itself, said President Roosevelt in 1933. And this is absolutely exactly today, the fear so confident, confident and unafraid. We must labor ... for the strategy of peace. This is the most important point. ...

Of course, during the campaign they asked me only for war, but I relentlessly spoke about peace. So this was all the campaign. And of course another point, very, very, very important, was my program [for] food, water and energy. Because I intend to change the economic system of Romania. And this was based [on Hamilton,] as everybody [knows] who knows about Hamilton's economics. I wish to make a Hamiltonian Romania in a sense to be totally independent, to provide a high-performance economy, limited only by its natural resources, not by debt, you know? Yes, so exactly this was the situation: we could be a Hamiltonian powerhouse in Eastern Europe or also in Europe, just because we could follow the best which we had in the world. And one of the best, which I recognize myself is the founding father of United States, Alexander Hamilton. So this was my presentation. And for this I was accused that I'm not good enough for them.