

PRESS RELEASE

ANAMARIA JINARU HAS JOINED CIRFS TO HEAD ITS ECONOMICS & TRADE DEPARTMENT

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CIRFS, the European Man-made Fibres Association, is pleased to announce that **Anamaria Jinaru has joined CIRFS this week to lead its Economics & Trade Department as from October 7, 2026.**

Anamaria took over the role from **Brian Petter**, who has headed CIRFS' economic, industrial and trade policy activities for the last 4 years. To ensure a smooth transition and continuity for CIRFS members, a two-week handover period was organised, allowing Anamaria to become familiar with the work of the Economics & Trade Department, including its key dossiers, ongoing activities and current priorities.

Prior to joining CIRFS, Anamaria was Technical Advocacy Manager at EPPA (PVC Profiles and related Building Products Association) in Brussels.

Previously, she worked as Counsel at Cassidy Levy Kent (Europe), and before that with AEGIS Europe.

Anamaria has many years of experience in policy analysis and advocacy in trade defence, trade, economic, industrial policy and many more issues.

She holds an LLM in EU Law from the College of Europe in Bruges and a Law Degree from Bucharest University. A native Romanian speaker, she is fluent in English, Spanish and French.

CIRFS Director General **Frédéric Van Houte** comments:

"I am delighted to welcome Anamaria to the CIRFS team."

"Anamaria brings extensive experience in European and international trade policy, trade defence and EU regulatory affairs. Her knowledge of trade defence instruments, customs and rules of origin, market access, WTO matters and industrial policy will be highly valuable to CIRFS and its members."

"The man-made fibres industry is a modern, dynamic and very competitive sector of the European economy, exposed to intense worldwide competition. Ensuring fair trade within the EU and with third countries is of the utmost importance for our industry. Anticipating and influencing legislative change relating to trade, advising member companies on relevant industrial and economic policy matters, and analysing market developments are therefore crucial."

"I would also like to thank Brian for his work and commitment to CIRFS and our members. During the past two weeks, Brian worked closely with Anamaria to ensure a smooth handover of the Economics & Trade Department and its ongoing dossiers. I am confident that Anamaria will continue to ensure the high reputation of CIRFS in the trade area and provide a high level of service to our member companies."

SHORT BIOGRAPHY OF ANAMARIA JINARU

HEAD OF ECONOMICS & TRADE DEPARTMENT, CIRFS

Anamaria Jinaru is a lawyer and an active member of the **Bucharest and Brussels Bars**. She has extensive professional experience in EU and international trade law and policy, trade defence, industrial policy and EU regulatory affairs.

Prior to joining CIRFS, she worked as **Technical Advocacy Manager at EPPA**, **Counsel at Cassidy Levy Kent (Europe)** and **European Affairs Manager at AEGIS Europe**. Earlier in her career, she worked at JPI Oceans and international law firms in Brussels and Bucharest and completed a traineeship at the European Commission.

Her professional experience covers trade defence instruments, EU and WTO trade law, customs and rules of origin, free trade agreements, market access, industrial policy, public procurement and EU regulatory affairs.

Anamaria holds an **LLM in EU Law from the College of Europe in Bruges** and a **Law Degree from Bucharest University**. She is a native Romanian speaker and is fluent in English, Spanish and French.



Notes to Editors

1. CIRFS is the European Man-made Fibres Association, representing the European man-made fibres industry to the European authorities and providing the industry with a wide range of services.

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