INFORMATIONS ON FOUNDERS OF TMU

TMU was originally established with the name of *Association Titu Maiorescu Independent University* (ATMIU), on September 29, 1990, by Civil Sentence no. 59 of the Court District 1, in order "to perform specific activities of higher education, including scientific research".

The initiative to establish ATMIU was due to a group of founders of the Association, made up of 21 people, of which at the present time are 12 alive.

Law no. 88/1993 on accreditation of higher education institutions decided the establishment by law of all public and private universities in Romania, established after 1989 by civil sentences. Consequently, TMU was established as an accredited university by the Law 239/2002, as a legal person of private law and public utility part of the national education system. As a result, ATMIU was dissolved by the effect of law. This dissolution has been established by the final decision no. 456/2009 of the Bucharest City Court – Section V.

Art. 227 (1) from the National Education Law no. 1/2011 stipulates that "Private higher education institutions are founded on the initiative and with the financial and material resources of a foundation or association". Consequently, at the level of the University was established the **ASSOCIATION OF THE FOUNDING MEMBERS OF TITU MAIORESCU UNIVERSITY** (hereinafter ASSOCIATION), as a legal non-profit person, according to the decision of the Court District 4, February 25, 2011. By the Constitutive Act and by the Statute of the ASSOCIATION, 30 people have gained the status of founder. These people, as the case:

- 1. Have contributed to the establishment of ATMIU (now dissolved), or
- 2. Have contributed significantly to the licensing and accreditation of TMU by the Law 239/2002, or
- 3. Have actively participated, along with the other founding members and members of the academic community, to the development and quality assurance of the educational and scientific research processes within TMU.

In accordance to the law, the ASSOCIATION does not participate in the management of TMU, this process being ensured by the University Senate, the Management Board, and the Rector. However, according to the University Charter, the President of the ASSOCIATION is the President of the MB

The ASSOCIATION has its own object of activity, provided in its Statute, which consists mainly of the following:

- a) Support the educational activities, scientific research, innovation and technical progress, performed in TMU;
- b) Identifying, initiating, supporting and carrying out national and international projects and programmes that contribute to the affirmation of TMU as an institution of higher education and scientific research in national and European academic space;
- c) Organizing events to promote the educational offer and the UTM image nationally and internationally.