

Republic of Moldova: Council lists seven individuals and three entities for actions destabilising the country

Today the Council has imposed restrictive measures against **seven individuals** and **three entities** responsible for actions aimed at destabilising, undermining or threatening the sovereignty and independence as well as democracy, the rule of law, and stability of the Republic of Moldova.

The new designations target **close associates of Ilan Shor**, already listed by the EU due to his involvement in the illegal financing of political parties in the Republic of Moldova and for incitement to violence. The listings include leaders and members of successor entities to the outlawed ȘOR political party. Some of the persons listed today have been actively involved in **vote buying schemes**, in the context of the presidential elections and of the constitutional referendum on EU accession of 2024, **and bribery** to corrupt several politicians from the Republic of Moldova.

The Council also listed **A7**, a company with multiple ties to Moscow that has been linked to efforts to influence the Presidential elections and the 2024 Constitutional referendum on EU accession. Additionally, the Council listed **Victory/Pobeda Political Bloc**, established by Ilan Shor and involved in spreading false information and in-vote buying schemes. The **Cultural Educational Centre of Moldova** has been listed for facilitating electoral interference in the 2024 Presidential elections.

With today's listings, the EU restrictive measures in view of actions destabilising the Republic of Moldova now apply to a total of **23 individuals** and **5 entities**.

Those listed are subject to an **asset freeze**. It is also **prohibited to make available funds or access economic resources** to them, either directly or indirectly. Additionally, a **travel ban** applies to the natural persons listed, preventing them from entering and transiting through the territories of Union Member States.

The relevant legal acts have been published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Background

In its conclusions of 26 June 2025, the European Council reaffirmed its commitment to continue working closely with the Republic of Moldova to enhance the country's resilience and stability in the face of persistent destabilising activities by Russia, including hybrid attacks, aimed at undermining the country's democratic institutions.

EU restrictive measures were introduced in April 2023 **at the request of the Republic of Moldova** in order to target persons responsible for supporting or implementing actions which undermine or threaten its **sovereignty and independence**.

Efforts to destabilise Moldova have noticeably increased since the beginning of the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine, and represent a direct threat to the stability and security of the external borders of the EU.

The EU remains unwavering in its support for the Republic of Moldova and its peace, resilience, security, stability, and economic growth in the face of destabilising activities by external actors.

- [Council Decision \(CFSP\) 2025/1435 of 15 July 2025 amending Decision \(CFSP\) 2023/891 concerning restrictive measures in view of actions destabilising the Republic of Moldova](#)
- [Council Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2025/1434 of 15 July 2025 implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2023/888 concerning restrictive measures in view of actions destabilising the Republic of Moldova](#)
- [Council Decision \(CFSP\) 2023/891 of 28 April 2023 concerning restrictive measures in view of actions destabilising the Republic of Moldova \(Consolidated text 29 April 2025\)](#)
- [EU relations with the Republic of Moldova \(background information\)](#)

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