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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Romanian officials look to Wales for regeneration secrets**

**London, United Kingdom (03 September 2009)** - Romanian government officials will arrive in Wales on Sunday (06 September 2009) for a week-long tour of the country's industrial regeneration sites.

Wales is considered a leader in the field after successfully reforming sites affected by mining, chemicals, petroleum and steel and other heavy industry.

Romania's Soviet era industry has left it with similar challenges and the officials are keen to learn best practice models from Welsh experts.

The party of 20 Romanians will meet Welsh Assembly Government and Environment Agency specialists and visit a selection of former industrial sites across South Wales, to discuss technical and land management topics with landowners and developers.

They will be looking to pick up advice on relevant matters, such as which technologies can be deployed to rehabilitate contaminated sites.

The trip has been organised by the UK's largest contaminated land consultancy Parsons Brinckerhoff and the Romanian Institute of Studies for Power Engineering (ISPE). Parsons Brinckerhoff and ISPE are currently advising the Romanian government on its national contaminated land strategy, which stands to make a big impact on sites heavily polluted by Soviet era industry, under an EU funded PHARE project.

Team leader Adrian Dolecki, of Parsons Brinckerhoff, said: "Wales is rightly considered a European leader in cleaning up land polluted by industries like mining and steel production. The former Welsh Development Agency, now part of the Welsh Assembly Government, did a fantastic job in reclaiming and redeveloping areas in Wales. Romania is going through almost exactly the same process and is looking to leaders in the field for help and advice."

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### Note to Editors:

The Department for the Economy and Transport at the Welsh Assembly Government is a leading member of the CLA:IRE contaminated land organisation and participates in a number of national and international knowledge exchange groups.

The Romanian delegation will visit: BP's Llandarcy petroleum complex, Swansea Docks regeneration site, steelworks at Ebbw Vale and Llanwern Newport, Cardiff Bay (taking in the Ikea gas works, Penarth Haven Landfill, Asda Ferry Road landfill, Rocco Forte Remediation of Polychlorinated biphenyl and asbestos areas)

The official Romanian party comprises:

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