



**Acquiring the signature right by nationals of the Member States of the European Union, the European Economic Area and the Swiss Confederation who apply for the establishment in Romania, meet the requirements provided for in art. 5 and 6 of Law 184/2001 and have the signature right or an equivalent right on the territory of one of the above-mentioned States**

The Romanian Order of Architects is the competent authority for the recognition of the official qualification titles for the architect profession for the nationals of the Member States of the European Union, nationals of the Member States of the European Economic Area and nationals of the Swiss Confederation.

The signature right is granted by the automatic recognition of the qualification title and the signature right.

The recognition of the qualification title and the signature right are achieved by the National Commission for the Recognition of Qualifications (CNRC).

This information is also available on the following link:  
<https://www.oar.archi/exercitarea-profesiei/recunoastere-calificari-internationale-si-echivalare-dobandire-drept-de-semnatura>.

The current procedure can be accomplished by means of Single Electronic Point of Contact (PCUe).

**Description of procedure:**

1. The applicant shall submit an application file containing the following papers: application form, copy of ID card/passport, copy of diploma and authorized translation, copy of judicial record and authorized translation, short CV (optional), copy and authorized translation of the certificate issued by the competent authority of the state of origin/establishment, attesting: the applicant's holding of those official qualification titles or other papers proving the professional qualification which meet the requirements of the European Union's legislation in the field; evidence of good professional repute or, as the case may be, evidence of suspension, restriction or interdiction of the pursuit of the profession in case of serious professional guilt or offence (the paper shall not be issued earlier than 3 months by the competent authorities of the Member State of origin/establishment). **The file can be submitted via PCUe.**

2. In case of legitimate doubt, the Romanian Order of Architects may request, through the IMI system (the Internal Market Information System), or, as appropriate, directly the competent authorities of a Member State to confirm the authenticity of the official qualification titles attesting the architect's qualification issued in that State and also, as appropriate, to confirm that their holder meets the minimum requirements of professional training provided by the national law.



3. In case of legitimate doubt, when a competent authority of a Member State issued an official qualification title which includes a training that was totally or partially achieved in a recognized institution of another Member State, in case Romania is the host Member State, the Romanian Order of Architects is entitled to ask the competent body of the Member State of origin/establishment where the official qualification title was released to examine whether:

- the training acquired in the respective institution was officially certified by the education institution of the Member State of origin/establishment where the official qualification title was issued;
- the released official qualification title is the same with the one which would have been released if the training had taken place entirely in the Member State of origin/establishment where the official qualification title had been issued;
- the released official qualification title gives the same access rights to the profession in the Member State of origin/establishment where the official qualification title was issued.

4. The CNRC Secretariat shall check the application file and, if complete, it shall submit it to CNRC; if not, it shall inform the applicant on the need to add the missing papers. CNRC shall examine the file and, in case of approval, a Recognition Certificate is issued; in case of rejection, the CNRC decision shall provide the due justification underlying it.

5. After the recognition of the qualification and the signature right, the architect shall join the OAR branch on the area of his residence.

6. The finalization term of the procedure: maximum 3 months from the date of submission of the complete application file.

7. Means of appeal:

**With reference to the recognition of the qualification and the signature right.** The applicant can bring the action against CNRC decision before administrative court, in accordance with Law no. 554/2004.

**With reference to the pursuit of the profession,** given the provisions of art. 95 paragraph (1) of ROF, the person injured by the services provided by an OAR member architect shall file a disciplinary complaint which shall be settled by the OAR competent disciplinary commission.

The injured person can also use the internal law procedures in order to settle any conflict (OAR-architect, OAR-beneficiary, architect-client, architect-architect).



8. Taxes: 575 lei – recognition of the qualification and issue of the Recognition Certificate; 300 lei – recognition of the signature right and issue of the Certificate of Awarding the Signature Right.

Payment methods:

- online, by means of SIOAR
- bank transfer:

Ordinul Arhitecților din România

Fiscal Code: 14083510

Banca Română pentru Dezvoltare - Sucursala Academiei

Lei Account: RO80BRDE410SV21208234100

Euro Account: RO31BRDE410SV18573724100

Swift Code: BRDEROBU (for euro payments).

9. After the architect's registration with the OAR branch in the area of which he resides, he shall be automatically enlisted in TNA, Section of *Architects with the Signature Right*.

10. The architect with the signature right can request the proof of registering his architectural designs, issued by means of SIOAR.

11. Any interested person can search for an architect with the signature right by using the SIOAR link:

<https://www.sioar.ro/membersearch> or by checking the National Architects' Register (TNA), published yearly in the Official Journal, part I.