

## **Burak Yildiran receives NBR approval for the position of Patria Bank CEO**

**Bucharest, June 16th, 2021 – Patria Bank** announces that Burak Yildiran, a seasoned banker with more than 25 years of experience, has received NBR approval for the position of CEO. In his role, he will be leading the team of more than 600 people and coordinating the activities of the bank, as well as being involved in Patria Group member company - Patria IFN as Board Member.

*“Patria Bank’s mission is to enable more people and local entrepreneurs to have smooth access to banking and financial services, no matter the area they are leaving, rural or urban. By doing so, with financial inclusivity as a principle that guides us, we can make an impact in the local society by supporting people and businesses that contribute to the country’s growing economy. My role, together with the team at Patria Bank, is to bring this mission to the next level. I am confident that we have all the elements required to do so: talent, resources and determination.”* stated Burak Yildiran, Patria Bank’s CEO.

Burak Yildiran accumulated vast expertise in the banking sector throughout his tenure with Garanti BBVA, Turkey’s largest private bank, where he was responsible for areas such as customer experience, transaction banking, agile projects, digitalization of banking services and internal processes, transformation, strategic leadership, talent management and business growth. Burak has also worked in Romania as Deputy General Manager and Operations Manager for Garanti BBVA Romania for six years.

Burak holds an MBA from WU Executive Academy – Vienna University and a BA in Business Administration from Hacettepe University.

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*Patria Bank is a Romanian bank dedicated to increasing individuals’ access to banking products in Romania and to supporting local entrepreneurs and businesses. Listed on the Bucharest Stock Exchange, Patria Bank has a national footprint and in 2021 will become accessible from anywhere through a wider expansion in digital. Patria Bank Group has as its majority shareholder Emerging Europe Accession Fund (EAF), a private equity fund whose main investors are the EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development), the EIF (European Investment Fund, part of the European Investment Bank Group), DEG (Development Bank, part of the KFW banking group) and the BSTDB (Black Sea Region Development Bank).*