

**Between the Necessity of Collective Memory
and the Efficient Administration of Public Organizations.
The Access at the Documents
and the Role of National Archives of Romania
(Abstract)**

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This article aims to offer a perspective of National Archives of Romania evolution in the past two decades. The essay analyzes the history of archival common law in this period, around the role of National Archive as a memory office but also more as a public administration institution. The study questions the theory that was imposed by the archives act no. 16/1996, that the National Archive is the only Romanian agency that deals with the public archives. Also, is offered a perspective on the accessibility to the historical records of the organizations. The author believe that we need to reshape this theory, in order to integrate the mutations in our modern society. For more than 30 years, National Archives repositorys could not receive the records that are part of national archivist fonds. There are more causes of this reality. That involves also the difficult for the public to research those documents. Adverse legislation to the archives act create a important issue for the free access to the records of the public organizations. The debate on the legal background of the public archives should not be ignorant of European model, of Romanian competitive legislation on other species of records and, also, of institutions that produces informations that are part of national archivist fonds without any roles or professional control.

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