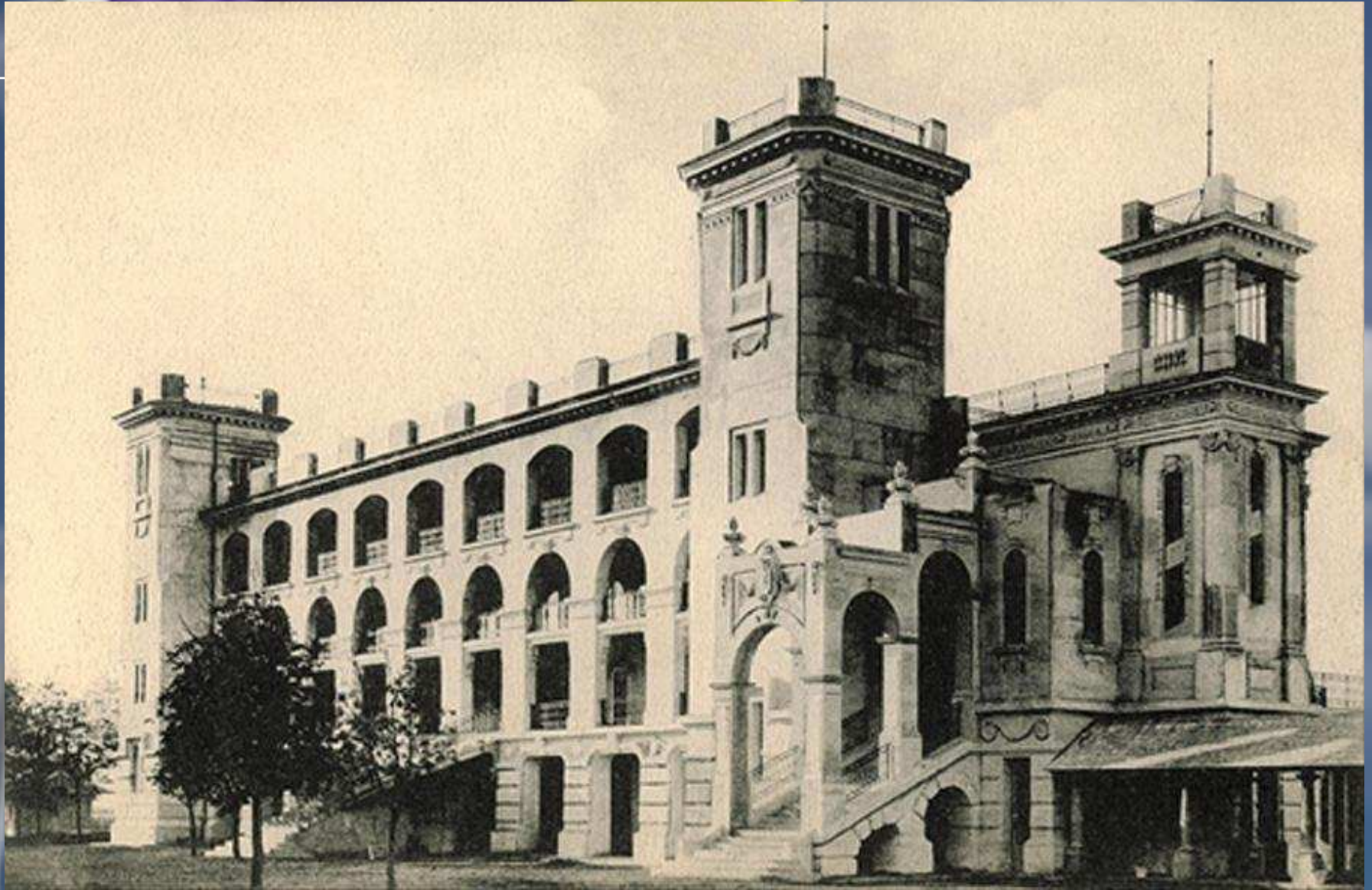




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# Why do you love Romania ?

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- For its history?
  - Burebista, Stefan cel Mare, Mihai Viteazul, Alexandru Ioan Cuza, Avram Iancu
- For its arts?
  - Nicolae Grigorescu, Constantin Brancusi
- For its literature?
  - Mihai Eminescu, Mircea Eliade, Eugen Ionesco
- For its music?
  - George Enescu, Ciprian Porumbescu, Sergiu Celibidache
- Or simply because your family is there?





# What don't you like about Romania?

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- Its work ethics?
- Its politicians?
- Its culture of laissez-faire?
- Its communist past?

# What is National Pride?

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- Nationalism
  - National identity - the individual's sense of belonging to a group
  - National Pride - self-association with the success of the group
- Patriotism
  - Pride in the achievements and culture of a nation
  - Desire to preserve its character and the basis of its culture

# Global Perspective on National Pride

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- A 2006 survey listed the following criteria as measures of national pride:
  - political influence
  - social security
  - the way their democracy works
  - economic success
  - science and technology
  - sports
  - arts and literature
  - military
  - history
  - fair treatment of all groups in society



# Romania today – a result of yesterday?

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- Can we say that the actions or inactions of recent Romanian generations have strongly impacted Romania's current position on the World map?

# Romania tomorrow – a result of today?

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- Is it then fair to say that the future of Romania's position on the World map would naturally be the result of current generations of Romanians?
- Would that position also influence Romanians' National Pride?

# Romanian Perspective on National Pride

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- Where do we stand on:
  - social security
  - economic success
  - science and technology
  - arts and literature
  - history
  - military
  - the way our democracy works
  - political influence
  - sports
  - fair treatment of all groups in society



# Political Environment

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- Political influence
- The way our democracy works

# Economic Advancement

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- Social security
- Economic success



# Educational and Artistic Prowess

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- Science and technology
- Arts and literature

# Nothing We Need to Change

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- History
- Military

# A Natural Development

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- Fair treatments to all members in the society
- Sports

# A Call To Action

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- Who in this room believes that they can actually make an impact on Romania future standing in the World as well as our National Pride?
- Thank you for taking part in the debate