SATU MARE MUNICIPALITY
Although titled as a town only in 1230, the earth stronghold named Castrum Zotmar was mentioned as a domain ruled by waivod Menumorut since the Xth Century. The fortress and Satu Mare town, located at the crossing point of old trade roads had along Middle Ages an important economically, politically and military role. In XVIIIth Century, after several destructions and restorations, Satmar Fortress disappear, the urbanization of the city being starting in a fast rhythm.
This endowment is mentioned for the first time in Anonymus Chronicles „Gesta hungarorum” as Castrum Zotmar Citadel in 10th Century (Satu Mare celebrating its millenary existence in 1972)

In 1703 the city has been destroid by a fire

After signing the Satu Mare Peace (1711), Satu Mare became a free liberal royal city in 1715
In 1900 Satu Mare had almost 20,000 inhabitants,

- city industrialization has been made in the last 100 years
- after the great floods from 1970 the city image has been changed significantly
- the New Centre of the city has been built, new block of flats appeared
- according to 2002 census the city has 130,271 inhabitants
GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION

Satu Mare is located in the North-West part of Romania (at the crossing point of parallel 47°47’ North Latitude with 22°52’ East Longitude Meridian), on Somes River shore, at 126 m above the sea level.

At the European road crossing E81 (Hungary), E81/1C (Ukraine) and E671 (Oradea, Arad, Timisoara)
Cross border points:

- Halmeu (traffic, railway junction – Ukraine, 46 km)
- Petea (traffic – Hungary, 14 km)
- Urziceni (traffic – Hungary, 45 km)
- Berveni (traffic – Hungary, 46 km)
- Satu Mare (airlift)
Route Distances:

From the neighboring capitals
• Budapest 350 km
• Bratislava 530 km
• Viena 570 km
• Bucharest 600 km
• Kiev 870 km
• Sofia 773 km

From the big cities
• Oradea 136 km
• Cluj-Napoca 180 km
• Zalau 93 km
• Baia Mare 70 km
• Nyíregyháza 102 km
• Debrecen 124 km
• Ujgorod 164 km
Satu Mare County:

- **Surface**: 4417.8 sqm (1.9% from the country)
- **Number of inhabitants**: 368,702 (1.7% form the country population)
- **Density**: 83.5 inhabitants/sqm
- **Localities**: - municipalities: 2 (Satu Mare, Carei)
  - cities: 4 (Negresti-Oas, Livada, Tasnad, Ardud)
  - villages: 59
  - small villages: 224

Satu Mare Municipality:

- **Population**: from the total 115,142 inhabitants 57.9%
  Romanians, 39.3% Hungarians, 1% Germans, 1.8% other nationalities
- **Density**: 766.8 inhabitants/sqm
- **Surface**: 15.024 ha
Roman - Chatolic Cathedral dated 1768 built in clasic-baroc style

Dacia Hotel (former Pannonia Hotel) is one of the most beautiful building in secessionist style located in the centre of the city and built in 1902 on the former City Hall. The simulation obtained the second place at the Construction World Exhibition in Vienna in 1903
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- Firemen Tower dated from 1903 is located in the square behind the Dacia Hotel being renovated in 2005
- Orthodox Cathedral „Adormirea Maicii Domnului”
- Chains Reformaft Church is the biggest Reformaft church in the county
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- Greek-Catholic Church Arh. Sf. Mihail and Gavril
- North Theatre, built 1883 in a neoclassic style
- The Synagogue, built at the beginning of XXth Century
Turistic potential:
• **The historical Centre** of the city with its architectural monuments, represents a significant touristic attraction
• **Renovated hotels** (Dacia, Aurora, Astoria, Dana, etc.) pensions under construction
• **The existance of thermal water** on Somes Recreation Area, Noroieni Forest
• **Somes River** - o possible link to the other touristic objectives located in the neighborhood area, bicycles routes, cruising boats, etc.
The most important economical centre of the county is Satu Mare town

- 71% from the county total investments are located in Satu Mare Municipality

- The most important investments domain is mechanical engineering and light industry (with almost 50% from the total investments value)
VAT distribution on the main economical activities

- Extractive Industry: 29.0%
- Industry: 20.9%
- Agriculture: 14.5%
- Services provided to enterprises: 7.5%
- Transport, storage and telecommunication: 7.5%
- Commerce: 7.5%
- Hotels and restaurants: 5.0%
- Education: 3.7%
- Health and social assistance: 3.7%
- Public Administration: 7.5%
The evolution of the employees number in industry

Proportion of employees in industry in 2005

Satu Mare Municipality: 49.30%
Romania: 36.67%
Twin Cities:

- Nyíregyháza, Hungary
- Wolfenbüttel, Germany
- Zutphen, Netherlands

Partner Cities:

- Ujgorod, Ukraine
- Schwaz, Austria

- Nyíregyháza - Ujgorod - Satu Mare
  triple collaboration
- Cross border Partnerships
Thank you for your attention!

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