

The leader of junior ruling Liberal Party (PNL) Florin Citu said that Romania already has alternative sources to the fuels imported from Russia and one of them is coal and its use for electricity generation.

Citu said that, most likely, some 600 miners will be re-employed in the mining sector, in order to increase coal production in the country. He said that the Prime Minister Ciuca met with officials from the Energy Complex (EC) Oltenia and EC Hunedoara, with the aim to restart some of their coal-fired units. Citu said that some 300 MW of coal-fired capacity is expected to be restarted following the restart of coal production at some mines operated by the two companies.

He also said that there is the possibility of starting the operation at Rosia Montana, however, this options is still being analyzed.