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INTERNATIONAL MOTIVATION TRAINING



How the government is working in Romania
examples where Civil Society and NGOs have been implicated in the decision making process

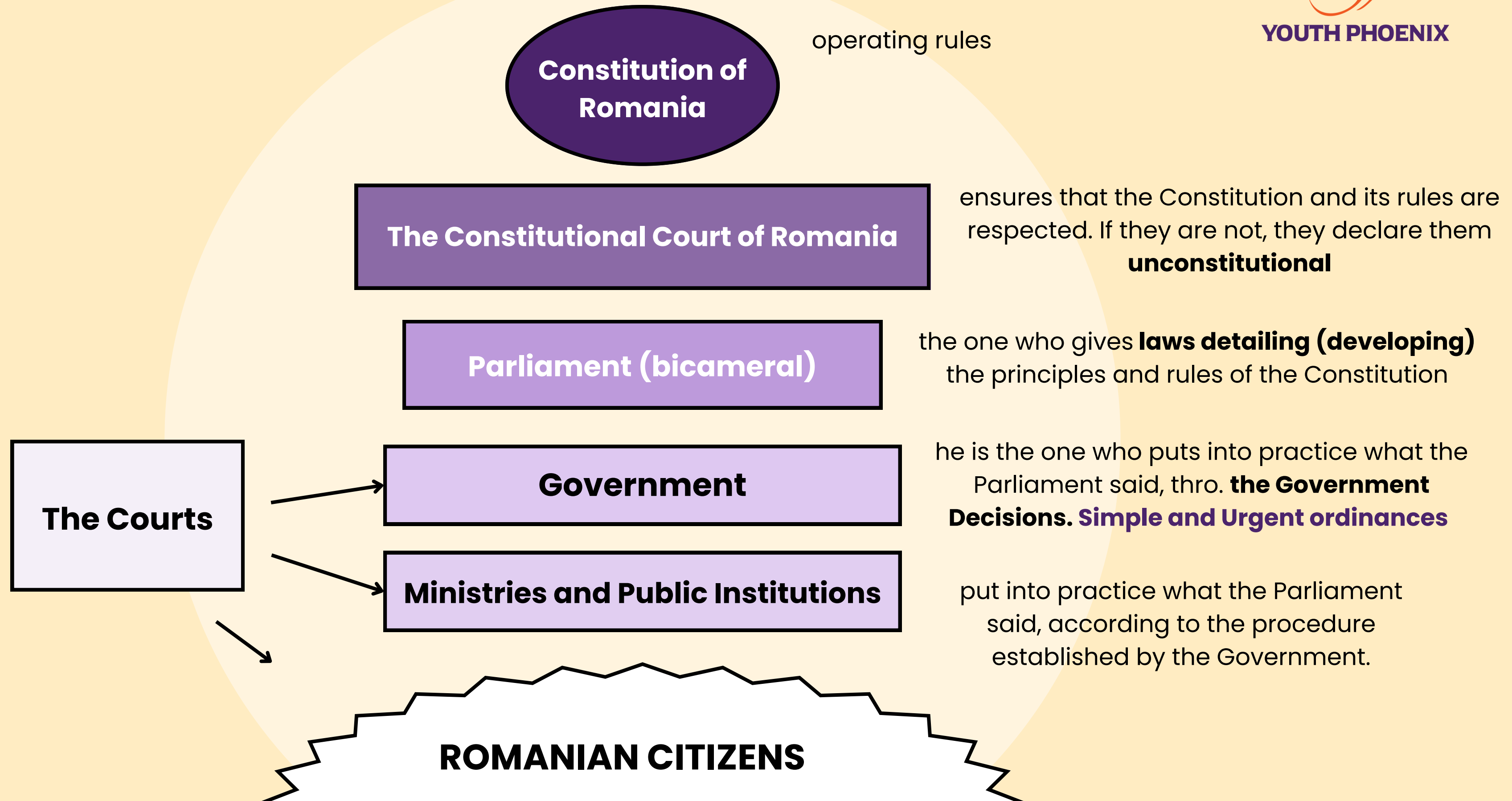
YOUTH AMBASSADORS PROGRAM

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NATIONAL DECISION MAKING PROCESS





LOCAL DECISION MAKING PROCESS



County Council

Represents the **legislative and management body** of the county public administration.

Local Councils

Local councils are **legislative bodies** at local level, made up of councilors elected by citizens in local elections.

Town/ commune halls

The **mayor is the executive head of a local administrative** unit and has the role of implementing the decisions made by the local council.





HOW WE CAN BE IMPLICATED IN THE DECISION PROCESS AT NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL?





EXAMPLES OF INITIATIVES THAT BECAME NORMATIVE ACTS

National



1. INTERNSHIP LAW

In 2013, at the **Romanian Student Congress**, Union of Students from Romania set out to build a new model of society for young people.

In 5 years time, on the date June 20, 2018, **Parliament approved the law** that regulates the running of a program designed to help both the intern and the employer.

The Internship Law started as an initiative of the Romanian Student Union (USR) Together with the Romanian Youth Forum, the VOLUM Federation, the General Secretariat of the Government and the Ministry of Youth and Sports. In 2017 year, they managed to organize **several debates, bringing all the relevant actors to the table**, and in September 2017, the project **was adopted by the Government**.

Important things about this:

- it obligates the organizations **to pay the students** (at least 50% of the minimum wage from Romania)
- it sets the maximum hours of work and extra-hours are not allowed.





2. STRICTER LAW AGAINST CHILD SEXUAL ABUSERS.



National

WHO: DECLIC Community

No longer will a rapist go free simply because he claims the victim consented to abusive sex. Starting with december 2022, **any sexual act between an adult and a minor under the age of 16 will be considered rape and will be punished accordingly starting with**

Before the law protected children under 14 years of age.





3.PETITION: FREE ABSORBENT PADS IN SCHOOL

In Romania, there are at least 4.8 million menstruating women, and based on estimates, **at least 1 million are affected monthly by menstrual poverty. At least 350,000** are teenage girls.

Observing the model of other states that have addressed the problem, Association Iele-Sanziene decided to campaign for free absorbent pads in all schools in Romania - as a right and a basic hygiene facility indispensable for managing menstruation.

The campaign aimed to bring the topic of **free absorbent pads in schools on the public and political agenda in Romania.**

A petition was signed by 40.000 people.

The results are local:

- In Bucharest, **in sector 3 & 6**, through a pilot programme, **free absorbent pads dispensers** were placed





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