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**ROMANIAN PM: GOVT. WON'T INTRODUCE TURNOVER TAX, NOR SOLIDARITY TAX**

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Romanian Prime Minister Mihai Tudose said yesterday that his Government would not introduce the tax on turnover, nor the solidarity tax, and the employers will continue to pay the social and health contributions on behalf of their employees.

None of the tax changes we are considering has the purpose of putting pressure on the business environment, said Tudose.

However, several hours later, Romania's Finance Ministry announced that the employees will take over the payment of social contributions starting next year, according to Ziarul Financiar.

The PM had a meeting yesterday with representatives of trade unions and employers organizations. He explained that the recent changes on increasing the share of social contributions for part-time contracts were aimed at protecting these categories of employees. They were provided with the right to retirement and healthcare services in the public system, Tudose explained.

The prime minister and the representatives of trade unions and employers organizations decided to meet twice a month to discuss major topics of interest. The debates will take place within working groups managed by the public consultation minister Gabriel Petrea.

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