



IT TAKES TWO TO TANGO

ROMANIAN EXPERIENCE
2024

Can two different partners do the tango in harmony?





Vlad the Impaler's Seal

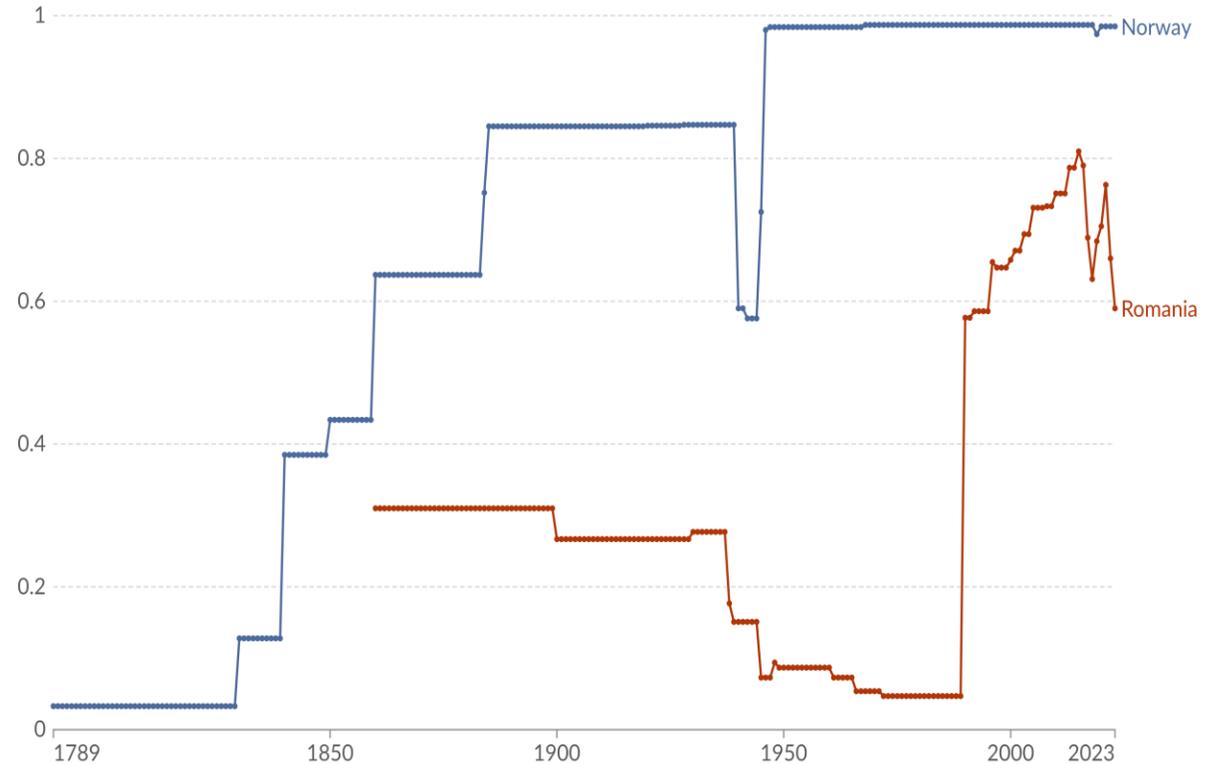


Is there power in numbers?

Civil society participation index, 1789 to 2023



Based on the expert estimates and index by V-Dem¹. It combines information on the extent to which citizens are active in diverse organizations which choose and influence policy-makers. It ranges from 0 to 1 (most active).



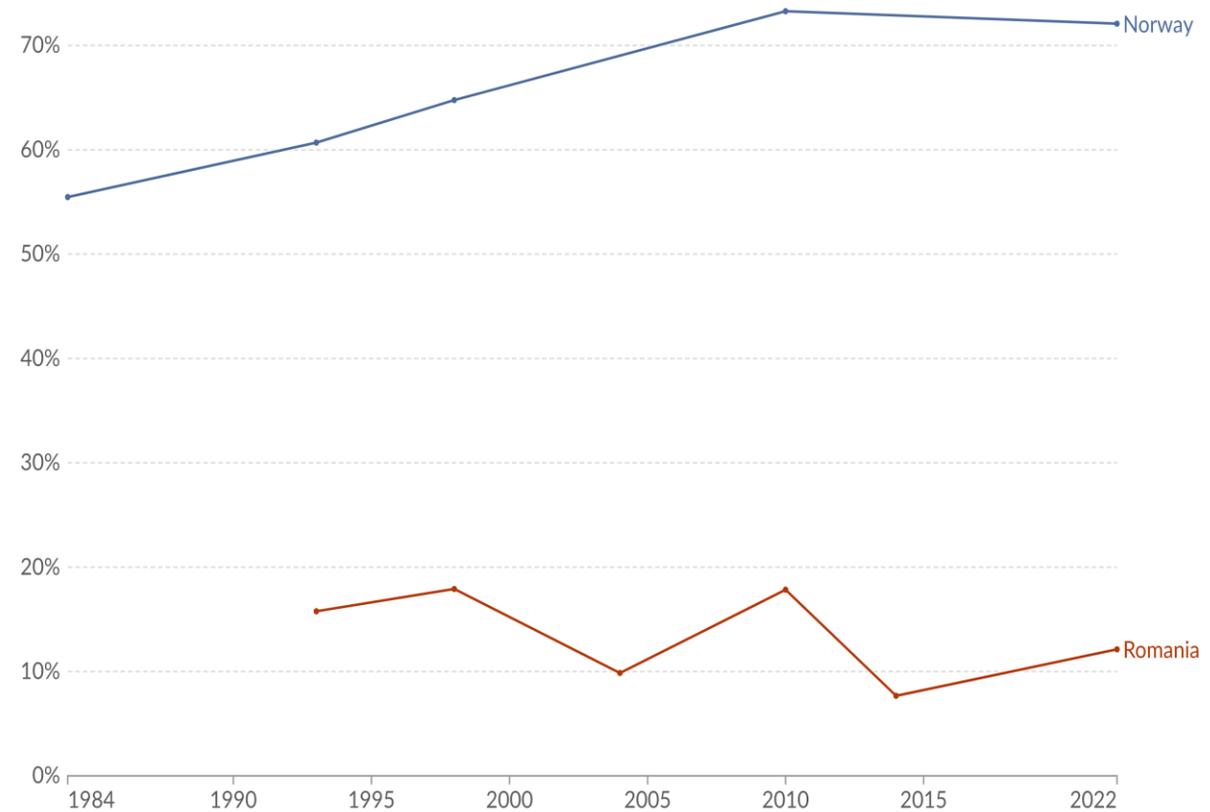
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Do we trust each other?

Share of people agreeing with the statement "most people can be trusted", 1984 to 2022



Data source: Integrated Values Surveys (2022)

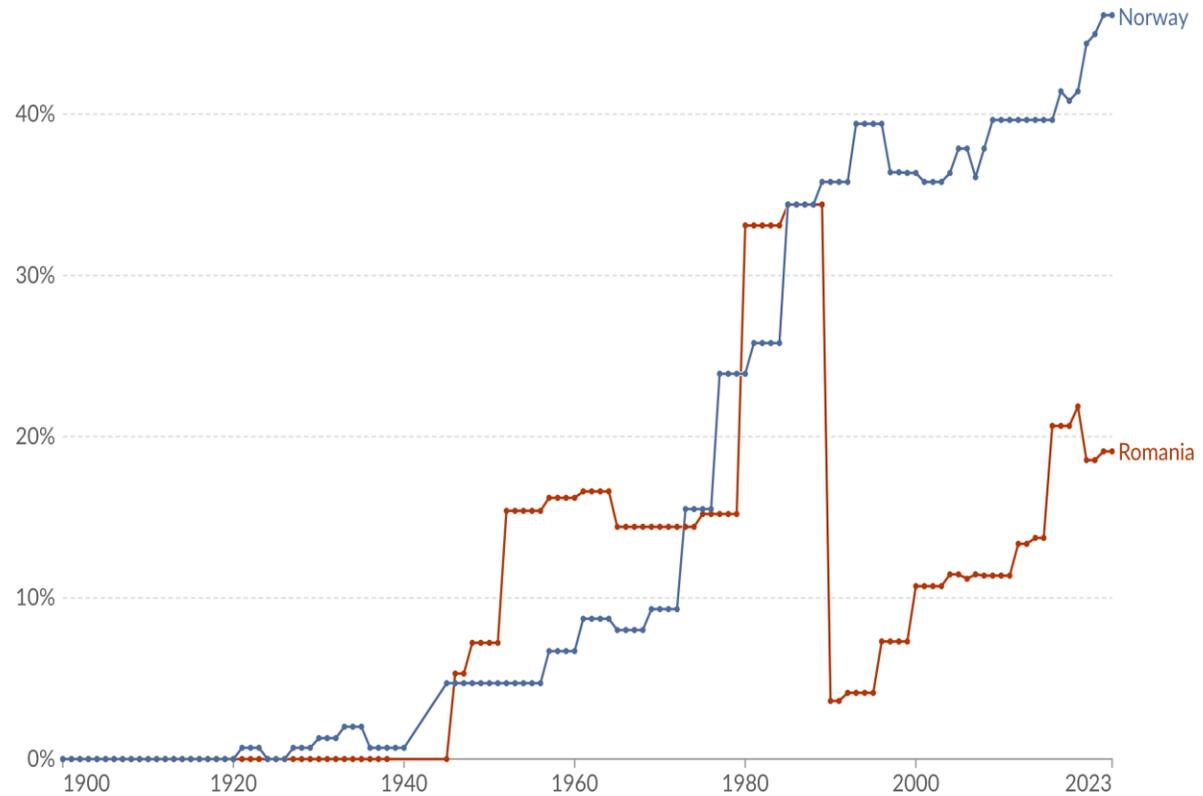
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Where are
the women?

Share of women in parliament

Percentage of seats in lower or single chamber of the legislature held by women.

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Note: Only countries with at least one legislative chamber included.

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Let's compare some more!

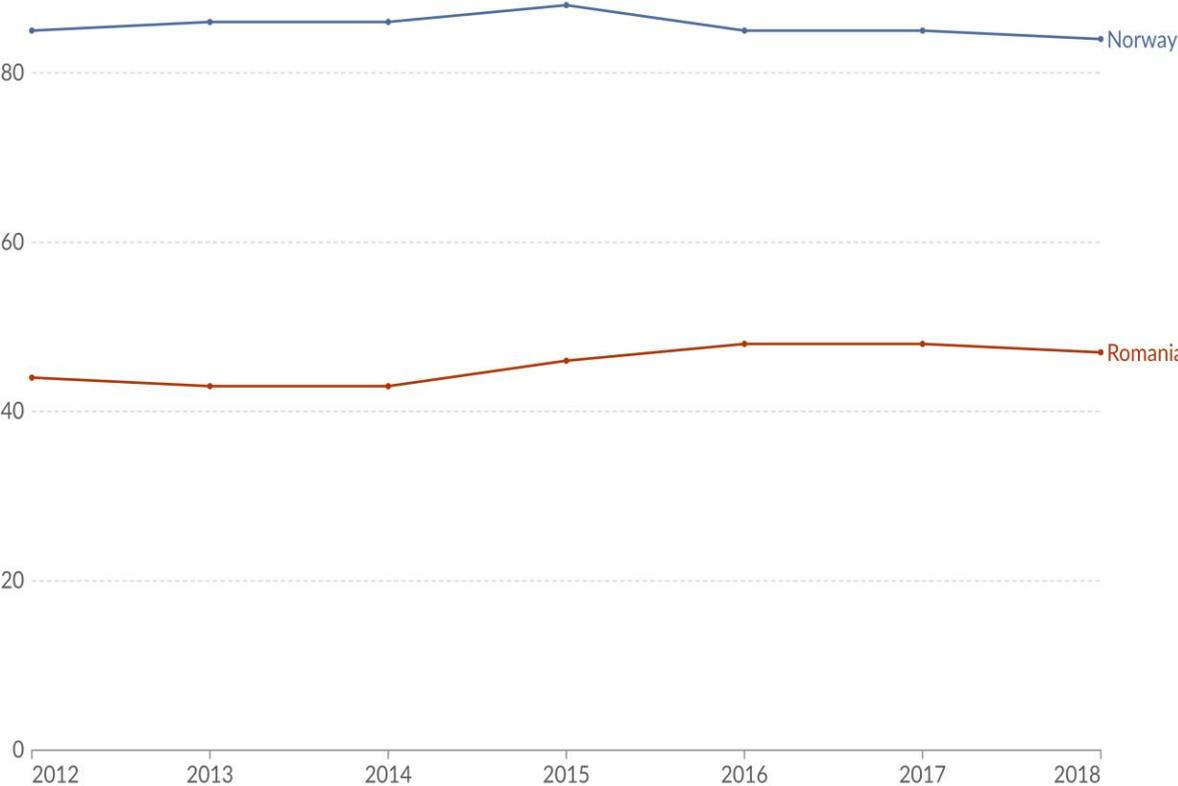
Let's take three different domains:

Fiscal fraud and corruption

Corruption Perception Index, 2012 to 2018



Transparency International's Corruption Perception Index. Scores are on a scale of 0-100, where 0 means that a country is perceived as highly corrupt.

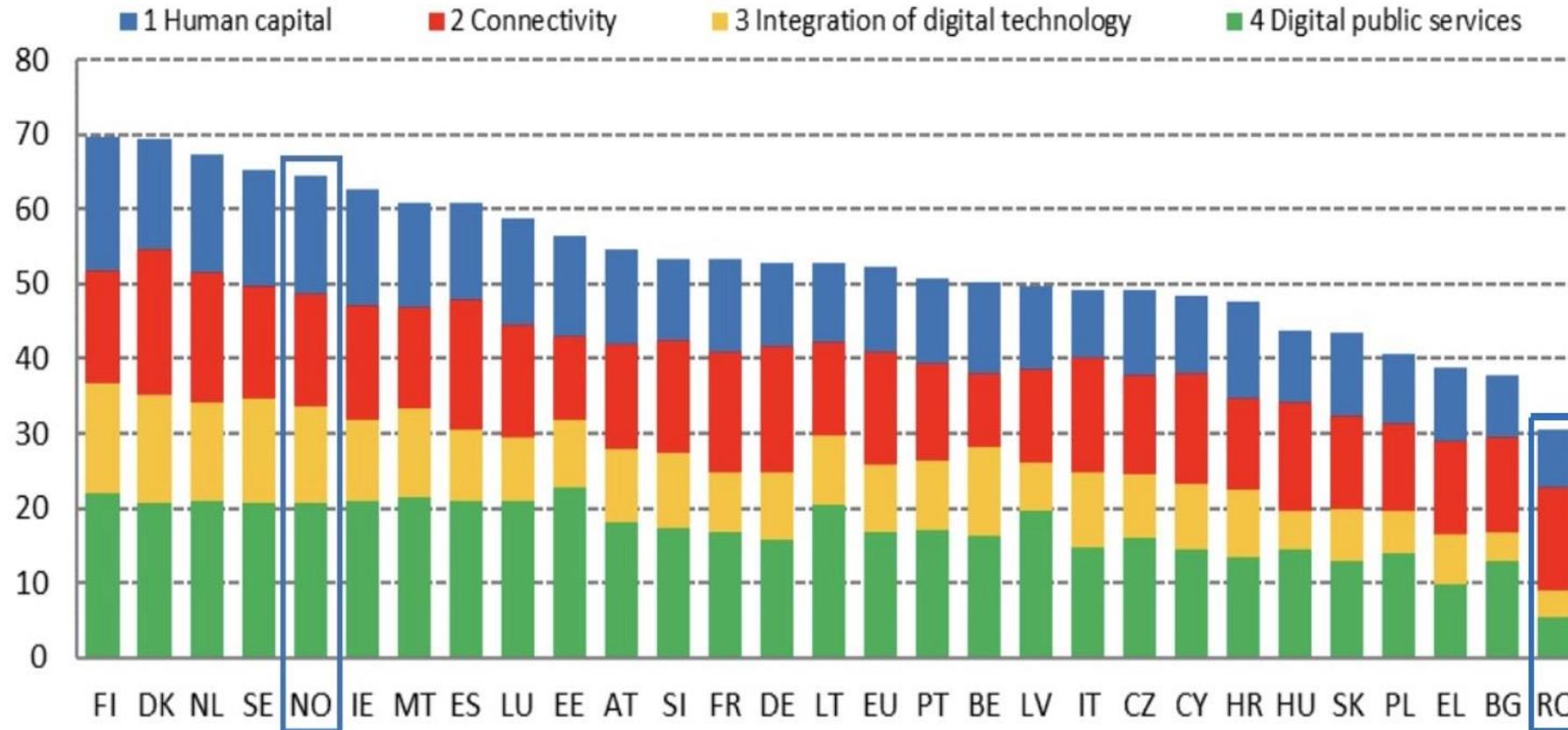


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Digital archiving

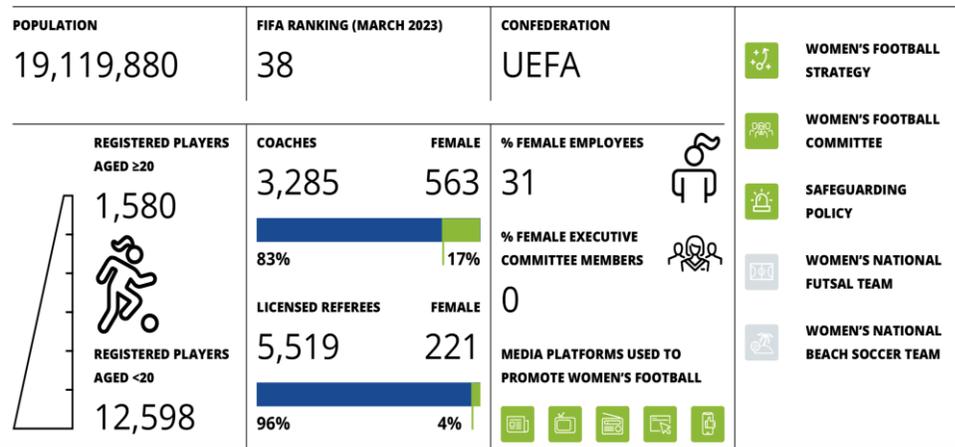
Digital Economy and Society Index (DESI) 2022 ranking



NORGES FOTBALLFORBUND



ROMANIAN FOOTBALL FEDERATION



Girls playing football



Let's hear from **Expert Forum and the Norwegian Institute for Journalism.**

They worked together to develop a Strong community of investigators against organized crime and corruption.

Together with the Romanian publication **Context**, they wanted to enhance and develop the community of investigators in Romania to decrease the expansion of organized crime and financial crime groups.

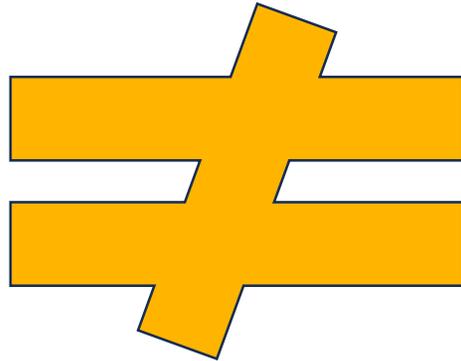


Or let's hear from the **National Archives of Romania** and their counterpart, the **National Archives of Norway**. Their program "Archiving by design - a way to defy electronic records management challenges" was aimed at strengthening the competence and position of Romanian National Archives on digital born archives and was based on a mutual sharing of experiences.



And let's hear also from the **Romanian Football Federation** and from the **Football Association of Norway**. Through their joint Girls' Football Coaching Course, they wanted to contribute towards a more equal society, where girls are given the same opportunities as boys to play football, and to provide a safe and positive environment for children to play.

What do THEY think is making us different?



Punctuality and
planning ahead

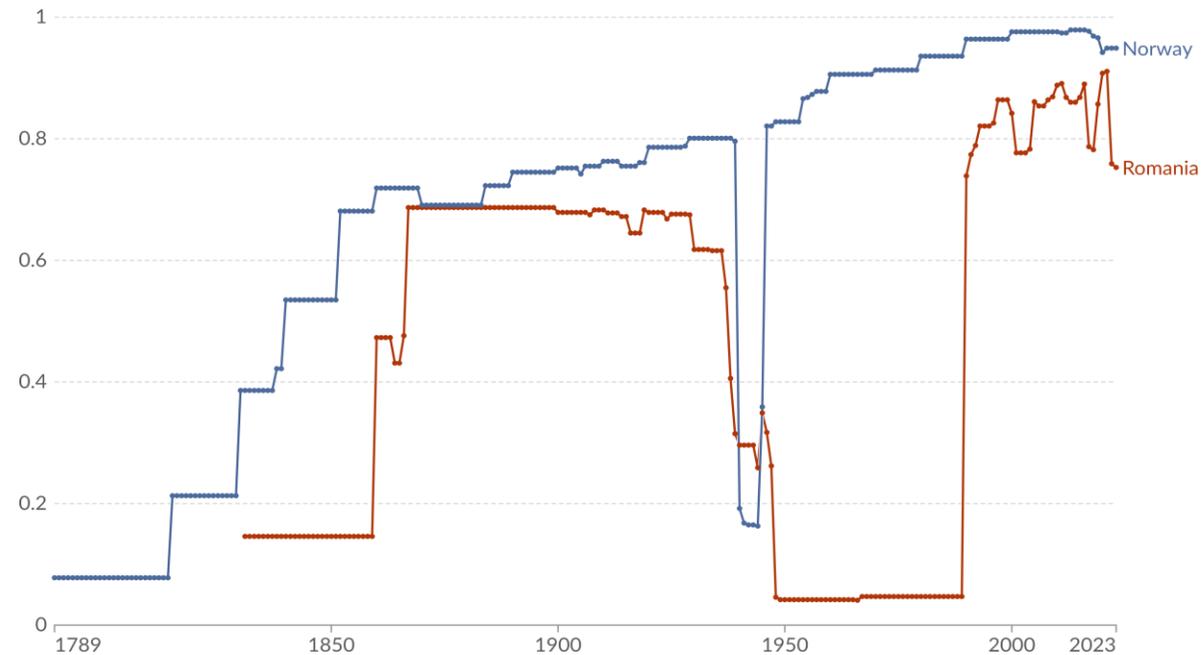


Transparency and openness

Freedom of expression index, 1789 to 2023

Our World in Data

Based on the expert estimates and index by V-Dem¹. It captures the extent to which people can voice their views and the media can present different political perspectives. It ranges from 0 to 1 (most free).



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Social Hierarchy

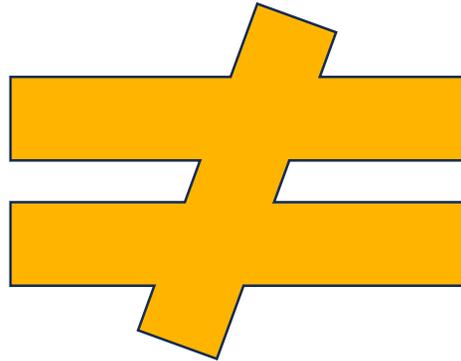


Women to the forefront

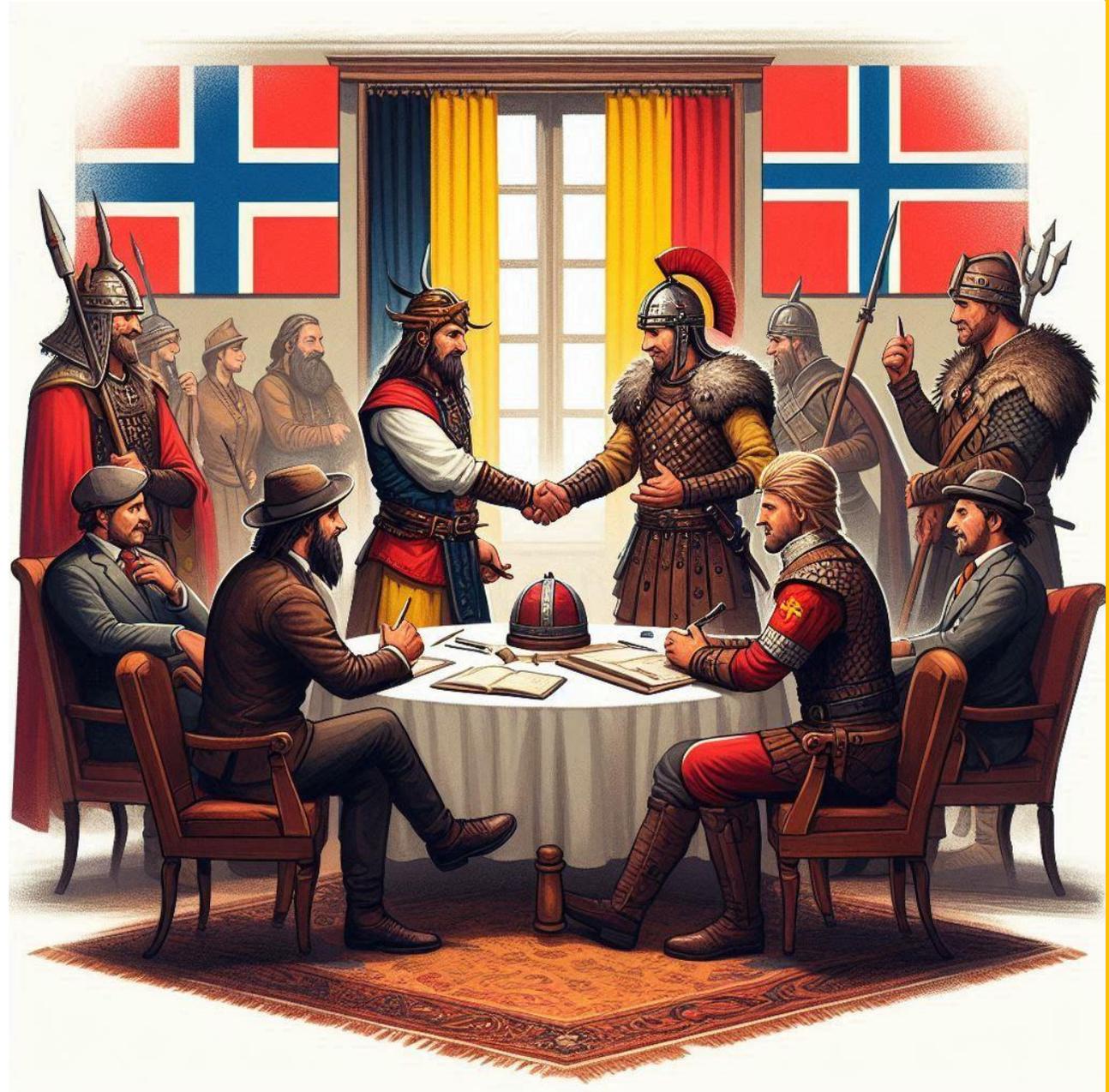
LET
THE WOMEN
PLAY
WHAT THEY WANT



But are we really THAT
different?



We are **like-minded**
and our interests
are similar



Our **level of competences** is also similar.

My Romanian colleagues **brilliantly** managed a very complicated schedule, to make the things work and our lives simpler”.

(Norwegian participant)

We are as good and as prepared as they are.
If tomorrow I decide to work in another country,
I can be as **successful** as I am here .

(Romanian participant)

The Romanians have **created things** that we easily could use, that we had not done.

We translate it and we can use it.

Norwegian participant)

Even our crooks
are similar.



Technology
is the future



We love food



Kåruletter

Cabbage rolls!

Sarmale



The knowledge transfer is not unilateral.
It has never been.



”Tango is about feeling and sensitivity, otherwise you are just doing gymnastics”.
(Angel Zotto)



A
Europe
interconnected
in as many ways as possible



It takes a village....



...Or even a country

It's always about people!

