ABSTRACT

The doctoral thesis is organized along four chapters, conclusions and bibliography, addressing issues studied gradually from general to particular, from the abstract to the concrete.

In the first chapter, General Considerations on the Role of Public Institutions In Economics, we establish the theoretical framework of the research topic. We mainly focus on the role of public institutions highlighting the key issues in substantiating the conclusions and of the analyses made by various experts from the national and international literature. Thereafter the attention will turn to the state's role in providing the legal framework which growth and economic development requires a method to finance public institutions.

In Chapter II, Methods for Evaluating the Efficiency of Public Institutions, the emphasis is on the formation and the distribution of public funds.

Chapter III, Challenges and Opportunities of the Public Institutions in the Context of the Financial and Economic Crisis started in 2008, was mainly focused mainly on economic and financial crisis and on the challenges and opportunities public institutions is facing in this situation.

In Chapter IV, Efficiency in Public Money's Spending at the Roads and Bridges Regional Directorship of Iaşi, we try to determine if the construction, rehabilitation, upgrading and maintenance of national roads were carried out in terms of performance, economy, efficiency and overall specific efficiency.

The last part includes, in addition to conclusions, some considerations on the importance of measuring and improving the quality of public services. The research results can be used by researchers interested in studying social policy, independent research centers, political parties and socio-political organizations etc.

Regarding the implementation of the research results, already have been formulated a set of recommendation which will be put into service within the Direcţia Regională de Drumuri şi Poduri, Iaşi.