

# Cool in Romania (2004-2006)



Cool's logo at the time the Romanian version was on air

**Cool** is a Hungarian channel which launched on 4 September 2004, replacing IKO's **M+** and Sport 1's **Humor 1** (both launched in Autumn 2003). However, it was not just Hungary where it was available.

## History

On 15 September 2003, the Hungarian version of F+ started its test broadcasts, along with M+. Along with movies, it also broadcast repeats of RTL Klub's infamous series, *Barátok közt* (RIP 26 October 1998 – 17 July 2021).

The Romanian market met controversies, as cable providers couldn't carry any Hungarian channels, so IKO helped them. The Romanian version of F+, also known as "**F+ Roman**", launched on 15 December 2003.

F+ Roman was an FTA channel available on Amos's satellite, which carried programming from RTL Klub in Hungarian, with some of the programs subtitled in Romanian and using the Romanian age rating system. At the first year, it sometimes simulcast the Hungarian version, or even RTL Klub (with its on-screen logo also on). In August 2004, it started looping the same programs in a 5-hour basis, and in November that year, more variety was added to the schedule.

On 4 September 2004, the Hungarian F+ was renamed as **Film+**, however the Romanian one remained unaffected. In early 2005, the channel rebranded, using colors of green, blue and red, and the Times New Roman typeface. Along with the rebrand, it started utilizing a schedule similar to Cool in Hungary.

On 5 December 2005, the Romanian F+ was also renamed. Instead of Film+, it became **Cool** and added some of the Hungarian Cool's in-house programs. Despite

the Hungarian version changing graphics in October 2005, it used the first idents with some differences. For example, the logo was bigger for the main ident. Cool Romania was available on Intelsat 10-02 (1 degree West) through Digi and remained FTA.

Cool Romania closed down on 10 February 2006.

## Videos and photos



Cool Romania's main ident. The logo was bigger than in the Hungarian one.



Cool Romania during a program.

F+ Romania idents and lineup from 2005:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EWhORJamYiM>,

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=34ei7TBngbY>,

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8\\_Yg8faK5Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f8_Yg8faK5Y)

Other sources include the Netboard forum's F+ topic

([http://www.netboard.hu/viewtopic.php?topic=8204&x\\_p=1](http://www.netboard.hu/viewtopic.php?topic=8204&x_p=1)) and KingOfSat's

change log diary (<https://en.kingofsat.net/channelhistory.php?ch=3727>). In the latter, 2016-2017 is false.