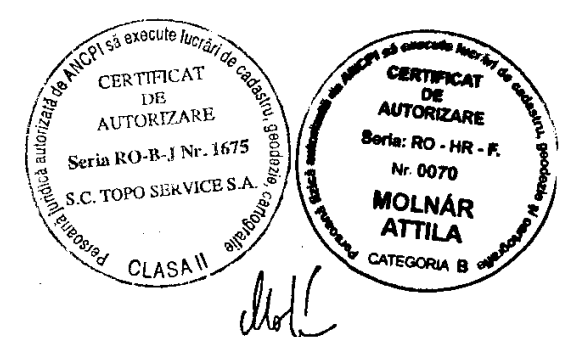
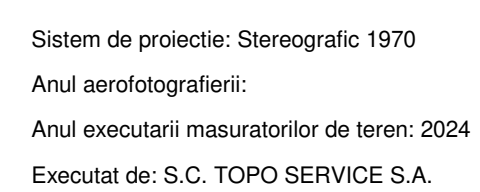




The diagram illustrates a sequence of eight overlapping squares, labeled 1 through 8, arranged in a descending staircase pattern from top-left to bottom-right. A green curve starts in square 1 and ends in square 8, passing through squares 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. A red square is drawn over square 3, with its corners marked by red dots.