

ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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PRESS RELEASE ON THE MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE 39TH SESSION OF THE COMCEC

The BSEC PERMIS First Deputy Secretary General Ambassador Dr. Merve Kavakcı and Executive Manager Mr. Kenan Murtuzov, participated in the Ministerial Meeting of the 39th Session of the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation (COMCEC) of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), held in Istanbul on 4-5 December 2023.

COMCEC, which is the main multilateral economic and commercial cooperation platform of the Islamic world with 57 Member Countries, convenes annually at a ministerial level in Istanbul under the Chairmanship of the President of the Republic of Türkiye. This year's Session was dedicated to the theme on "Improving the e-Commerce Capacities of the OIC Member Countries" which brought together ministers and other high-ranking government officials from the OIC Member Countries and Observers, as well as representatives of private sector, academia, civil society, OIC Institutions, international organizations, and provided a venue for discussions on cooperation.

In the margins of the meeting, the BSEC PERMIS delegation held exchange of views with the representatives of various national delegations, international organizations as well as OIC specialized institutions, and attended the side event titled "Panel on OIC Arbitration Centre: Global Alternative Dispute Resolution".