



ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

Permanent International Secretariat

**MESSAGE BY THE BSEC PERMIS SECRETARY GENERAL
AMBASSADOR LAZAR COMANESCU ON THE BSEC DAY**

Dear Friends of BSEC,

We celebrate today on 25 June, the “BSEC Day” marking the 32nd Anniversary of the establishment of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC). The only full-fledged Organization that covers the wider Black Sea region, connecting the Balkans to the Caucasus, Europe to Asia. An Organization which has proven to be and remained over the years the most useful platform for regional economic cooperation to the benefit of its Member States and beyond. BSEC is an important actor in providing a ground for dialogue to continue collaboration in most difficult times. I am proud to be a part of it.

As Secretary General of this unique Organization, I would like to seize the opportunity of this Anniversary Day, to pay tribute to all whose guidance and contributions made a big difference and impact on the functioning and progress of the BSEC Organization. We appreciate and acknowledge them all, and will continue working together to fulfill our duties and responsibilities for the transformation of the Black Sea into a region of peace, freedom, stability and prosperity as stated by our Heads of States or Governments in 1992, and bring BSEC further.

Happy Anniversary BSEC!