

ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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PRESS RELEASE ON THE 64th PLENARY SESSION OF PABSEC GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Upon the invitation of the President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia H.E. Mr. Alen Simonyan and the Secretary General of PABSEC (BSEC Parliamentary Assembly) Mr. Asaf Hajiyev, BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Lazar Comanescu participated in the 64th Plenary Session of PABSEC General Assembly, held in Yerevan on 10-12 December 2024.

The debates within the Session were on developments in the Black Sea area, with focus on issues such as development of transport infrastructure, facilitation of border crossing, protection of cultural heritage.

Addressing the Plenary, Ambassador Comanescu informed the participants about BSEC's activities since the preceding PABSEC Session (Tirana, 14-15 May 2024). Related thereto, he highlighted that despite serious challenges still persisting in the region, under the guidance of the Armenian BSEC Chairmanship-in-Office and the constructive approach of the Member States, relevant activities and forward-looking actions were undertaken that prove the resilience of the Organization. The Secretary General stressed in this context the importance of the implementation of the revised BSEC Economic Agenda and of the mechanism established there for as well as the need of further strengthening the project-oriented dimension of the activities.