

## ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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## PRESS RELEASE ON THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BLACK SEA BROADCASTING REGULATORY AUTHORITIES FORUM (BRAF)

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Black Sea Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (BRAF) was held in Baku on 14-16 April 2025, hosted by the Audiovisual Council of the Republic of Azerbaijan (ACRA)". The main theme of this year's forum was "Protection of Children in Media Services".

BSEC PERMIS was represented by First Deputy Secretary General Ambassador Dr. Merve Safa Kavakcı, who made an opening speech at the outset of the Forum. In her address, she stressed the importance of BRAF as a sectoral partner to BSEC and informed the participants about the most recent developments and achievements of the Organization.

Representatives of respective institutions from Albania, Bulgaria, Georgia, Greece, Moldova, Romania, Serbia, Türkiye, and the Host Country Azerbaijan attended the forum. Each country presented their activities. A two-panel discussion ensued focusing on the policies of protection of minors in media. The meeting allowed experts to exchange ideas and ways through which an environment where children as minors of the society can be immune to the wrongdoers' activities in the virtual world including television and social media.