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**PRESS RELEASE**  
**ON THE 45<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BSEC-URTA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Upon invitation by the Union of Road Transport Associations in the BSEC Region (BSEC-URTA), BSEC PERMIS Secretary General, Ambassador Lazar Comanescu participated in the 45<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly, held in Chisinau on 16 May 2025.

The agenda of the Assembly included the review of the BSEC-URTA activities since its previous Meeting (September 2024), the approval of the Minutes there of, as well as the report of BSEC-URTA Management Council that preceded the General Assembly.

In his address to the Assembly, Ambassador Lazar Comanescu underlined the importance BSEC PERMIS attaches to its cooperation with BSEC-URTA in their joint effort to better promote trade and transports in the BSEC region. He emphasized in this context, the relevance of concrete joint projects implemented in the area of transport like the introduction of the BSEC Permit System, digitalization of transport documents and border-crossing facilitation. The Secretary General highlighted at the same time the need of further resolute steps at both national and regionally coordinated levels aimed at, inter alia, modernization of border crossing points, introduction of electronic and digital documentation and development of adequate transport infrastructure.

On the sidelines of the General Assembly, Ambassador Comanescu had bilateral exchanges on ways and means for further deepening cooperation and synergies in the field of transport in the Black Sea area, with: Umberto de Pretto, IRU Secretary General; President Eduart Kasa and Secretary General Mehmet Uylukçu of BSEC-URTA; Nicolai Mindra, State Secretary-Ministry of Infrastructure and Valeriu Tulbu, President of AITA - Republic of Moldova.

The next Meeting of the BSEC-URTA General Assembly will be held in autumn 2025 in Türkiye.