



ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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**PRESS RELEASE ON THE FIFTH EDITION OF
THE ITF DAY AT THE OECD**

The fifth edition of the “ITF Day at the OECD” hosted by the International Transport Forum (ITF), was held in Paris on 10 June 2025. The event provided an opportunity for highlighting the importance of regional and international collaboration as well as of bringing together ITF member countries to discuss pressing global challenges in transport and connectivity.

BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Lazar Comanescu participated in the event as a panelist at the Session: “Harnessing the potential of the Middle Corridor”, where he stressed the relevance of the Black Sea region as a connectivity hub and its key role in a successful development of the Middle Corridor as part of an efficient transport and connectivity network between Europe and Asia. Ambassador Comanescu elaborated in this context on BSEC’s activities and projects in the area of transport as well as on the need of synergies and coordination among regional/international organizations in streamlining resources and efforts. Such an endeavor, he further added, should duly take into account and build upon initiatives coming from the region itself.