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PRESS RELEASE ON THE PARTICIPATION OF THE BSEC PERMIS SECRETARY GENERAL IN THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE NEW BSTDB HEADQUARTERS

Upon invitation by the Black Sea Trade and Development Bank (BSTDB), BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Lazar Comanescu participated in the opening ceremony of the new BSTDB Headquarters in Thessaloniki on 20 October 2025.

Addressing the participants in the ceremony, Ambassador Comanescu highlighted the key role of the Bank in furthering economic development in the Black Sea area and the close cooperation between BSEC PERMIS and BSTDB aimed at promoting the objectives of the BSEC Organization. He also praised the management, dedicated staff, and operational system of the Bank, without whom he said, successful achievements could not be attained. Last but not least, Ambassador Comanescu said creating a greater synergy between BSEC and BSTDB as well as enhancing the coordination and interaction with the Bank are among the priority areas of action defined by the BSEC Economic Agenda unanimously adopted in December 2023.