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ON THE 14th INTERNATIONAL BLACK SEA SYMPOSIUM
“BLACK SEA: APPROACHING A TIPPING POINT?”

BSEC PERMIS Secretary General, Ambassador Lazar Comanescu participated in the 14th International Black Sea Symposium organized online by the International Center for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) on 2 December 2025. The generic topic of the Symposium was “Black Sea: Approaching a tipping point?” with the deliberations in three successive panels.

In his contribution to the debate in the introductory panel, Ambassador Comanescu focused on the need of cooperation and better correlation among the regional and international actors present in the Black Sea region and on the importance of duly taking into account and building upon initiatives and projects coming out from the region itself. In this context he highlighted the fact that despite serious challenges facing the Black Sea region, BSEC proved its resilience and continued to make further advances such as the adoption in December 2023 of a new BSEC Economic Agenda in 2023.