



PRESS RELEASE
ON PARTICIPATION IN THE 17th ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMISSION TRACECA

The 17th Annual Meeting of the Intergovernmental Commission TRACECA was held in Astana, on 15 May 2026. BSEC PERMIS was represented at the Meeting by the Deputy Secretary General, Ambassador Dimitrios Rallis.

Representatives of all 13 States Parties to the Basic Multilateral Agreement participated in the Meeting, emphasizing the strategic importance of TRACECA as a key transport corridor enhancing regional connectivity. Particular emphasis was placed on the need to promote measures aimed at reducing transit times and increasing the predictability of both delivery schedules and transportation costs for goods transported along the corridor. Participants also underlined the importance of preserving institutional continuity and maintaining dialogue among TRACECA member states.

In his statement during the Meeting, as well as in bilateral discussions held on its margins, Ambassador Rallis emphasized the great importance BSEC attaches to its cooperation with TRACECA in the development of sustainable transport routes, as well as substantial opportunities for synergies and coordination between the two organizations, particularly given that the Middle Corridor passes through these regions. He referred to the Joint Roadmap elaborated by the Secretariats of BSEC and TRACECA in 2021, and underlined the importance of jointly reviewing the progress achieved and, where appropriate, updating the document.