



MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF THE 34th BSEC ANNIVERSARY

Today, we celebrate the 34th Anniversary of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), established through the signing of the historic Istanbul Summit Declaration on 25 June 1992.

Over more than three decades of multilateral dialogue and cooperation, BSEC has evolved into a unique regional platform spanning from the Caucasus to the Balkans and bridging Europe and Asia. Through its work in areas ranging from energy and sustainable transport to trade facilitation, regional connectivity, tourism, culture, environmental protection, and the preservation of the marine ecosystem, BSEC has remained a driving force for cooperation and development across the wider Black Sea region.

Despite the challenges posed by the region's complex geopolitical environment, BSEC has consistently served as a valuable forum for dialogue and practical cooperation among its Member States. Guided by the conviction that shared economic prosperity is essential to lasting peace, stability and security, the Organization continues to promote good-neighborly relations and mutually beneficial partnerships.

On this anniversary, we pay tribute to the vision and commitment of our 13 Member States, the dedicated staff of the Permanent International Secretariat (PERMIS), our related and affiliated bodies, as well as our partners.

Looking ahead, we reaffirm our determination to strengthen regional cooperation and to contribute to building a secure, prosperous, and peaceful Black Sea region for present and future generations.