PRESS RELEASE
ON THE WEBINAR ENTITLED "EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCE ON LARGE-SCALE WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT"

Romania, in its capacity as the Country-Coordinator of the BSEC Working Group on Cooperation in Emergency Assistance, and the BSEC PERMIS jointly organized on 11 November 2026, the Webinar entitled "Exchange of Experience on Large-Scale Wildfire Management".

The webinar moderated by Mr. Catalin Ivan, Police Chief-Commissioner, Head of the EU-NATO Policies and Civil Protection Strategic Partnerships Unit, Directorate General for Civil Protection, Department for Emergency Situations, Ministry of Internal Affairs of Romania, brought together relevant experts and representatives from seven BSEC Member States (the Republic of Bulgaria, Georgia, the Hellenic Republic, the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of North Macedonia, Romania and the Republic of Türkiye).

In his introductory remarks, the BSEC PERMIS Deputy Secretary General Ambassador Dimitrios Rallis underlined that the increasing frequency, intensity and scale of wildfires have become a matter of serious concern for countries across the Black Sea region and beyond. Emphasizing the importance of enhanced regional cooperation, he highlighted the need to strengthen national preparedness and prevention capacities, promote the exchange of experience and best practices, and facilitate the sharing of knowledge and expertise among the BSEC Member States.

The participants made presentations, exchanged views and shared national experiences, good practices and lessons learned in preventing and managing wildfires. Particular attention was paid to the growing challenges posed by wildfires in the Black Sea region.

The event reaffirmed the shared commitment of the BSEC Member States to further advancing regional cooperation in emergency assistance in line with the relevant provisions of the BSEC Economic Agenda.