



**PRESS RELEASE ON
THE PARTICIPATION OF PERMIS IN THE WORKSHOP “WOMEN IN ICT”
(Sofia, 22 March 2019)**

Within the Bulgarian Chairmanship in the BSEC, the Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications of Bulgaria organized the Workshop “Women in ICT” in Sofia on 22 March 2019. BSEC PERMIS was represented by the responsible Executive Manager Mr. Alexei Nistrean.

The Workshop was aimed at discussing and sharing the best practices and initiatives among the BSEC Member States. Representatives from Armenia, Bulgaria, Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation and Turkey attended the Workshop.

In his statement the representative of BSEC PERMIS highlighted the special importance the BSEC Organization attaches to the promotion of joint activities in the field of ICT in the Black Sea region. He made reference to *the BSEC Economic Agenda* which, in particular, sets the *Sustainable information society with advanced Information and Communication Technology infrastructure* among the seventeen goals in the priority areas of action of the Organization. He mentioned that since the adoption of this strategic document, BSEC has undertaken several initiatives aimed at implementing this goal, through various incentives aimed at benefitting from ICT technics for supporting trade and transport facilitation, accelerating cross-border and customs procedures, enabling movement of people, goods and services, which are among BSEC’s main priorities. The adoption of the Baku Joint Declaration of the Ministers in charge of ICT from the BSEC Member States on 4 December 2018 was also mentioned.