



**PRESS RELEASE
ON GRANT CONTRACT**

***“Support to the Implementation of the Eastern Partnership Multilateral Dimension,
Northern Dimension and the Black Sea Synergy- BSEC PERMIS”***

PERMIS is happy to announce that a Grant Contract, entitled *“Support to the Implementation of the Eastern Partnership Multilateral Dimension, Northern Dimension and the Black Sea Synergy- BSEC PERMIS”* has been signed on 28.12.2020 by the BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Michael B. CHRISTIDES and Mr. Vassilis MARAGOS, Head of Unit, Directorate General for Neighborhood and Enlargement Negotiations (NEAR), on behalf of the European Commission.

It concerns the first direct grant from the EU to BSEC PERMIS facilitating the implementation of projects in the Black Sea region that cover three significant areas of cooperation: tourism (Sustainable Small-Scale Cruising/Yachting in the Black Sea), environmental protection (Pilot Activities on Fighting Micro Plastics and Marine Litter in the Black Sea) and youth entrepreneurship (Supporting Youth Entrepreneurship in Cultural Tourism for coastal communities in the Black Sea Region).

Preparations for initiating the implementation process are already underway.