



**PRESS RELEASE  
ON THE COURTESY VISIT OF  
THE BSEC PERMIS SECRETARY GENERAL TO THE MAYOR OF SARIYER**

The BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Lazar Comanescu paid a courtesy visit to the Mayor of Sarıyer Municipality (Istanbul) Mr. Şükrü Genç on 6 September 2021.

While expressing their satisfaction with the fruitful cooperation that has developed between BSEC PERMIS and the Sarıyer Municipality and reviewing ongoing projects there of, the two gentlemen agreed to jointly explore new opportunities for further strengthening this cooperation. They both reiterated their wish for a stonger involvement of local authorities in the development of the BSEC region and collaboration among the cities of the Black Sea.

Mr. Genç referring to the Black Sea region as an area with a specific marine habitat and forests which are vulnerable to climate change, kindly requested the assistance of PERMIS to further promote the organization of workshops related to environmental and marine protection issues. Ambassador Comanescu assured the Mayor of his and PERMIS`'s full support to all activities dedicated to this objective.i

The meeting took place in a friendly and constructive atmosphere.