



**PRESS RELEASE
ON THE FINAL CONFERENCE
“STRENGTHENING THE PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION CAPACITY, DIALOGUE
AND COOPERATION IN THE BLACK SEA REGION”**

The Final conference "Strengthening the project implementation capacity, dialogue and cooperation in the Black Sea Region" was held on 23 November 2022 in Athens.

The event was organized jointly by the BSEC PERMIS and the International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) in the framework of the projects Black Sea React!, Black Sea Cruise and CulTourE4Youth, which are co-funded by the European Commission.

While taking a stock of the results and applications developed under the three projects, the participants also had the opportunity to network, exchange information and pave the way for concrete follow-up actions.

In his opening speech, the BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Lazar Comanescu, made a review of the activity of the Organization related to its project-oriented approach, and elaborated on three very important opportunities which were identified during the implementation process, namely: skill development especially for the youth; networking facilitation for the knowledge exchange and collaboration; and raising citizen awareness of need of action.