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PRESS RELEASE

**ON THE BSEC PERMIS PARTICIPATION IN THE
10TH BIENNIAL NEVSKY INTERNATIONAL ECOLOGICAL CONGRESS**

(25-26 May 2023, St. Petersburg, hybrid format)

Deputy Secretary General of the BSEC PERMIS Ambassador Dimitrios Rallis participated online in the *10th biennial Nevsky International Ecological Congress*, organized on 25-26 May 2023, in St. Petersburg under the auspices of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation and the Interparliamentary Assembly of the CIS.

Under the generic topic "*Ecology: a right, not a privilege*" the participants deliberated on the following subjects: environmental protection; climate change; biological and chemical threats to environment; protection of humans against epidemics; transition to digital and best practices based on new technologies; natural resources conservation, including forest protection and water management; green energy development and implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Ambassador Rallis elaborated in his intervention on the strategies and policies of BSEC to foster at regional level the sustainable development goals, to promote environment protection measures, including green energy and environment friendly investments.