



## ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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### REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE NETWORK OF LIAISON OFFICERS ON COMBATING CRIME

Istanbul, 14 May 2015

1. The Meeting of the Network of Liaison Officers on Combating Crime was held at the BSEC Headquarters in Istanbul on 14 May 2015.
2. The Meeting was co-chaired by Mr. Mircea COBANU, Chief Commissioner, Ministry of Internal Affairs, and Mr. Petru BUTUCEL, Consul, Consulate General of the Republic of Moldova in Istanbul.
3. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following BSEC Member States:  
  
Republic of Armenia  
Republic of Azerbaijan  
Hellenic Republic  
Republic of Moldova  
Romania  
Russian Federation  
Republic of Turkey
4. The List of Participants is attached as **Annex I** to the present Report.
5. The Draft Agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The Agenda, as adopted, is attached as **Annex II**.

### **AGENDA ITEM 2: STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTIONS, DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BSEC COUNCIL AND FOLLOW-UP TO THE DECLARATIONS AND JOINT STATEMENTS ADOPTED BY THE MINISTERS OF INTERIOR**

6. BSEC PERMIS informed the participants on the BSEC Document “The way forward for an Action Plan on the implementation of the Economic Agenda: Towards an Enhanced BSEC Partnership”, adopted at the BSEC Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs (December

2012). The participants agreed to focus on practical measures towards enhancing the efficiency of their Liaison Officers' Network.

**AGENDA ITEM 3: STATE OF AFFAIRS WITH RESPECT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF THE LIAISON OFFICERS ON COMBATING CRIME BY THE BSEC MEMBER STATES (ALBANIA AND SERBIA HAVE NOT YET APPOINTED THEIR LO)**

7. The representative of the Russian Federation informed of their permanent contact to the Liaison Officers.

8. In compliance with items 2 and 3 of Article 6 of the Additional Protocol the Member States were requested to forward updated information regarding their appointees to the Network and invited those who have not yet appointed their permanent representatives to do so.

9. The updated list of the appointed Liaison Officers is attached as **Annex III**.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: ENHANCED COOPERATION AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION UNDER THE ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE AGREEMENT AMONG THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION PARTICIPATING STATES ON COOPERATION IN COMBATING CRIME, IN PARTICULAR IN ITS ORGANIZED FORMS:**

10. The Working Group exchanged information and practical experience on measures undertaken by the BSEC Member States at national level.

11. The Country-Coordinator shared best practices in the exchange of information on combating organized crime. Referring to the Annual Review of the Trans-National Crime Trends in the BSEC Region, Romania suggested that each BSEC Member State should prepare the reports on the national experience in combating organized crime. The Country-Coordinator suggested that the national information could be disseminated by the BSEC PERMIS via the Network of Liaison Officers.

12. The representative of the Hellenic Republic suggested that the annual review, already elaborated by the Country-Coordinator, can be used for collecting data. The Member States are suggested to note, under each field of crime, which statistical data are recorded nationally, or other differences that may occur at the definitions. The Member States are invited to add any other field of crime that they deem necessary.

13. The delegation of the Russian Federation suggested that the Member States could make their suggestions to the Country-Coordinator to improve the structure of the annual review, and eventually be approved at a higher level.

14. The representative of the Hellenic Republic informed that there were recent developments at the structure of the police service dealing with preventing and combating cybercrime. Information in this field will be presented during the next Meeting of the Liaison Officers Network.

15. The Liaison Officers proposed to the Working Group on Combating Crime to submit for consideration at the next Meeting of the Committee of Senior Officials a draft Recommendation of the BSEC Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs to be held in Chisinau on 18 June 2015:

*“The Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States took note of the meeting of the Working Group on Combating Crime held on 15 May 2015 and recommended the Member States to submit timely relevant information for the preparation of the Annual Review of the Trans-National Crime Trends in the BSEC Region”*

**AGENDA ITEM 5: PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND (PDF) AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT (PMU) – CONSIDERATION OF BSEC MEMBER STATES PROPOSALS FOR PROJECTS. DISCUSSION ON PROSPECTS OF PRACTICAL WORK OF THE NETWORK**

16. The BSEC PERMIS informed the participants of the newly established Project Management Unit and state of play with regard to the Project Development Fund.

17. The Member States were invited to submit relevant projects.

**AGENDA ITEM 6: ANY OTHER BUSSINESS**

18. No other issue was raised under this agenda item.

**AGENDA ITEM 7: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE MEETING**

19. The present Report was adopted for submission to the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Combating Crime, in particular in Its Organized Forms (15 May 2015).

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