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**REPORT
OF THE MEETING
OF THE BSEC WORKING GROUP
ON HEALTHCARE AND PHARMACEUTICS**

BSEC Headquarters, 20 May 2015

1. The Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Health Care and Pharmaceutics was held at the BSEC Headquarters on 20 May 2015.
2. The Meeting was chaired by Mr. Ion APOSTOL, Head, Public Health Emergency Management Center, National Center for Public Health, Ministry of Health of the Republic of Moldova.
3. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following BSEC Member States:

Republic of Armenia
Republic of Azerbaijan
Republic of Bulgaria
Georgia
Republic of Moldova
Romania
Russian Federation
Republic of Turkey
Ukraine

The List of Participants is attached as **Annex I**.

4. The Draft Agenda of the Meeting was discussed, amended and adopted. The Agenda, as adopted, is attached as **Annex II**.

AGENDA ITEM 2: STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTIONS, DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BSEC COUNCIL. THE “WAY FORWARD FOR AN ACTION PLAN ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECONOMIC AGENDA TOWARDS AN ENHANCED BSEC PARTNERSHIP”. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT FUND (PDF) AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT (PMU).

5. The Member States should “appoint representatives to the Working Groups on a long-term basis and act as their national contact points in respective Groups” in compliance with the Resolution of the Council, held in Belgrade on 19 April 2007.

6. So far nine Member States have appointed their representatives to the Group. The list of the Member States’ representatives, as of 20 May 2015, is attached as **Annex III**. The Member States who have not done so yet are invited to appoint their permanent representatives to the Working Group.

7. The BSEC PERMIS informed that there are no developments on the “Agreement on Cooperation in the Field of Sanitary Protection of the Territories of the BSEC Member States”. So far only 2 (two) Member States have officially informed BSEC PERMIS of their readiness to sign it. The Working Group decided that the issue of the aforementioned Agreement stay open for the next Working Group meeting.

8. The BSEC PERMIS informed that the Draft MoU on Information Exchange and Cooperation in the Sphere of Quality Assurance of Medicines was agreed upon at the Meeting of the Working Group held in Sofia, 25 March, 2014. The Working Group decided to discuss the draft at its next Meeting.

9. The Working Group took note of the information provided by the BSEC PERMIS about the state of affairs with regard to the replenishment of the Project Development Fund (PDF).

10. The Working Group also took note of the explanatory remarks by the BSEC PERMIS on the Guidelines for the BSEC Project Management Unit (PMU).

11. The Working Group invited the Member States to submit project proposals within PDF and in compliance with the Guidelines for the PMU.

AGENDA ITEM 3: DISCUSSION OF THE DRAFT DECLARATION PROPOSED BY THE CiO, THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA, FOR ADOPTION AT THE MEETING OF BSEC MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR HEALTHCARE TO BE HELD IN CHISINAU ON 5 JUNE, 2015

12. The Working Group agreed *ad referendum* on the text of the Draft Declaration of the Ministers in Charge of Healthcare of the BSEC Member States on Enhanced Tobacco Control Measures for Better Social and Economic Development and invited the Member States to provide their possible remarks regarding the amendments to the text, made at the present Meeting, until 27 May 2015. The draft Declaration, as agreed, is attached as **Annex IV**.

13. The Working Group submits for consideration of the next meeting of the Committee of Senior Officials the following decision to be adopted by the Council:

“The Council endorsed the Declaration of the Ministers in Charge of Healthcare of the BSEC Member States on Enhanced tobacco control measures for better social and economic development, adopted at the Meeting of the Ministers held in Chisinau on 5 June 2015.”

AGENDA ITEM 4: ANY OTHER BUSINESS

14. The delegation of the Republic of Moldova made presentation of the project “National Register of Diabetes Patients”. The said presentation is attached as **Annex V**.

15. The delegation of the Republic of Moldova informed on the intention of the country to further elaborate the project on regional level and invited the Member States to consider the possibility of their participation in the project as partners.

16. The Working Group decided to come back to this issue at its next Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5: ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE MEETING

17. The present Report was adopted for submission to the next Meeting of the BSEC Committee of Senior Officials to be held in Chisinau on 16-17 June 2015.