

# ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION

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## REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE MINISTERS OF TRANSPORT OF THE BSEC MEMBER STATES

## Sofia, 16 April 2014

1. The Meeting of the Ministers of Transport of the BSEC Member States was held in Sofia, Republic of Bulgaria on 16 April 2014. It was preceded by the Meeting of the BSEC Working Group on Transport for the preparation of the final declaration, which was held on 15 April 2014.

2. The Meeting was chaired by H.E. Mr. Danail PAPAZOV, Minister of Transport, Information Technology and Communications of the Republic of Bulgaria.

3. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following BSEC Member States:

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

4. The representatives of the Black and Azov Sea Ports Association (BASPA), the Black Sea International Shipowners Association (BINSA), the Black Sea Association of Shipbuilders and Shiprepairers (BRASS), and the Union of Road Transport Associations in the BSEC Region (BSEC-URTA) participated in the Meeting as the BSEC Sectoral Dialogue Partners.

5. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the International Road Transport Union (IRU), TRACECA as Guests.

The List of Participants of the Meeting is attached as Annex I.

6. H.E. Mr. Danail PAPAZOV, Minister of Transport, Information Technology and Communications of the Republic of Bulgaria welcomed the participants.

7. H.E. Ambassador Victor TVIRCUN, Secretary General of the BSEC PERMIS also welcomed the participants.

8. The draft agenda of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The agenda, as adopted by the Heads of Delegations, is attached as **Annex II.** 

9. The Heads of Delegations delivered their general statements and discussed the agenda items.

10. The Heads of Delegations of the BSEC Member States adopted the Sofia Joint Declaration on greening transport in the BSEC Region "Through enhanced BSEC regional co-operation towards a safe and sustainable transport". The Declaration is attached as **Annex III.** 

11. The Heads of Delegations adopted the present Report and submitted it to the 30th Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the BSEC Member States.