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## PRESS RELEASE ON CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN THE BSEC PERMIS AND THE DANUBE COMMISSION SECRETARIAT

Consultations between BSEC and the Danube Commission were held on 3 June 2015, in Budapest, following the consultations between the two organizations at the BSEC Headquarters in Istanbul, in April 2015.

BSEC PERMIS Secretary General Ambassador Dr. Victor TVIRCUN and the Director-General of the Danube Commission Mr. Petar MARGIC discussed issues pertaining to the implementation of the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Secretariats of the two organizations in 2010, in Budapest. The spheres of cooperation identified in the MoU are transport, trade and environmental protection. The two sides agreed to increase cooperation at the level of experts within the framework of the BSEC Working Groups in the aforementioned three fields. They also decided to explore possibilities for collaboration in the field of tourism.

As it will be recalled, the Danube Commission was granted Sectoral Dialogue Partnership status within BSEC in 2009. BSEC became an Observer in the Commission in the same year.