

**PLAN OF ACTION  
OF THE BSEC WORKING GROUP  
ON COOPERATION IN COMBATING CRIME,  
IN PARTICULAR IN ITS ORGANIZED FORMS**

**(JULY 2011 – JUNE 2013)**

The coordination of the BSEC Member States efforts with a view to valorize all cooperation opportunities offered by the BSEC, in particular by the Agreement among the Governments of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Participating States on Cooperation in Combating Crime, in particular in its Organized Forms, signed in Kerkyra, on October the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1998 (BSEC Agreement).

**MAIN DIRECTIONS FOR ACTION:**

**A. Continuation of implementation of the provisions of the Additional Protocol to the BSEC Agreement, done in Kyiv on March the 15<sup>th</sup>, 2002**

1. Organizing the Meetings of the BSEC Network of Liaison Officers and practical operationalization of the work of the Network.
  - *Responsible:* Country - Coordinator of the Working Group and the Chairmanships-in-Office of BSEC;
  - *Deadline:* Each semester, organizing back-to-back meetings of the Network and of the Working Group.

**Note:** Republic of Albania and Republic of Serbia did not appoint the Liaison Officers in the Network.

2. Elaboration of the Annual Review of the trends of transnational crime in the BSEC Region.
  - *Responsible:* Country - Coordinator of the Working Group and the Member States;
  - *Deadline:* Each July following the year to evaluate.

**B. Continuation of implementation of the provisions of the Additional Protocol on Combating Terrorism to the BSEC Agreement, done in Athens on December the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004.**

1. Inviting BSEC Member States that have not ratified the Additional Protocol to undertake all necessary steps to enforce it.

**Note:** Republic of Moldova did not ratify the Additional Protocol.

2. Organizing workshops in the field of prevention and combating terrorism
  - *Responsible:* Member States;

**C. Elaboration, approval and implementation of a BSEC Action Plan on regional efforts to prevent and combat corruption**

1. Elaboration of the draft of the BSEC Action Plan
  - *Responsible:* Country - Coordinator of the Working Group;
  - *Deadline:* April 2012.
2. Approval of the BSEC Action Plan
  - *Responsible:* BSEC Working Group;
  - *Deadline:* End of 2012.

### 3. Implementation of the BSEC Action Plan

- *Responsible:* Member States and Country Coordinator of the Working Group;
- *Starting:* 2013.

### D. Implementation by the Member States of the Regional BSEC Action Plan for Strengthening the Criminal Justice Response to Trafficking in Persons in the Black Sea Region

1. Monitoring of the implementation by the Member States of the *Regional BSEC Action Plan for Strengthening the Criminal Justice Response to Trafficking in Persons in the Black Sea Region*  
*Responsible:* Member States and Country Coordinator of the Working Group;  
*Deadline:* Permanent.

### E. Development of the cooperation with the international organizations

1. Valorize the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding between BSEC and IOM, signed in Bucharest, on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006.
  - *Responsible:* Member States and Country Coordinator of the Working Group;
  - *Deadline:* Permanent.
2. Examine possible assistance from the European Commission for the elaboration and implementation of projects in the BSEC Member States in the fields of organized crime, corruption and terrorism prevention and control.
  - *Responsible:* BSEC Member States which are members of the European Union.
3. Enhancing cooperation with other relevant international organizations.  
*Responsible:* BSEC Working Group

### F. Preparing and organizing the Ninth Meeting of the Ministers of Interior/Public Order of the BSEC Member States

- *Responsible:* Country - Coordinator of the Working Group and the Chairmanship in Office of BSEC;
  - *Deadline:* 2013.
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