
**THE REPORT OF
THE TENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE BLACK SEA BROADCASTING REGULATORY AUTHORITIES FORUM
(BRAF)**

**18-19 September 2023
Antalya, Türkiye**

The 10th Annual Meeting of the Black Sea Broadcasting Regulatory Authorities Forum (BRAF) was held in Antalya, Türkiye, on the 18th- and 19th of September 2023.

The representatives of BRAF Member Authorities, namely the **Albanian** Audiovisual Media Authority, **Azerbaijani** Audiovisual Council of the Republic of Azerbaijan, **Georgian** National Communication Commission, **Greek** National Council for Radio and Television, **Moldovan** Audiovisual Council, **Serbian** Regulatory Authority for Electronic Media and **Turkish** Radio and Television Supreme Council, participated the Meeting.

The 10th Annual Meeting of BRAF was preceded by the Workshop on Disinformation and Digital Media Literacy on September 19, 2023. The BRAF Member Authorities as well as the **Kosovan** Independent Media Commission, the **Malaysian** Communications and Multimedia Commission and the **North Macedonian** Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services attended the Workshop.

The main theme of the Workshop, which was moderated by Ms. Armela KRASNIQI, the President of the **Albanian** Audiovisual Media Authority, was Disinformation and Digital Media Literacy. The Representatives from the Greek, Serbian and Turkish authorities shared their experiences in how to deal with disinformation and related issues in audiovisual media services, and they touched upon the media literacy practices.

In the afternoon of the same day, the 10th Annual Meeting of BRAF was held. Ms. Deniz GÜÇER, the Secretary General of BRAF and the Member of the Radio and Television Supreme Council (RTUK), gave a keynote speech and provided brief information regarding the works that have been accomplished so far within BRAF, which is an international organization established in 2008 to ensure the international cooperation in the field of broadcasting sector among the BSEC Member States.

Thereafter, Ambassador Dr. Merve Safa KAVAKCI, the First Deputy Secretary General of the Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), expressed her gratification about the effective functioning of BRAF, which has Sectoral Dialogue Partnership status within BSEC.

The Meeting was chaired by Ms. GÜÇER. The Draft Program of the Meeting was discussed and adopted. The Program, as approved, is attached as appendix.

A brief revision of the 9th BRAf Annual Meeting, which was held in Bucharest, Romania, on 4-5 October 2017, was presented by the BRAf Permanent Secretariat. The presentation was comprised of the work done in general and particularly the main theme of the last Annual Meeting, and also the developments regarding **the Golden Fleece Project: Development of a business plan for a Single Information Space in the BSEC Area**.

The representatives of the broadcasting regulatory authorities of the participating countries made presentations, provided information and exchanged views regarding the progress and objectives achieved in the broadcasting sector in their countries, since the previous Annual Meeting of BRAf, as a part of their Country Reports.

The detailed consideration was given to the main theme "**Licensing Challenges in the Digital Age**" in the participating countries. The participants had vivid discussions during the sessions and exchanged their opinions and experiences in relation to national practices by referring to the similarities and discrepancies. The presentations and the relevant data shall be available at the BRAf website "<http://www.braf.info>".

The published version of the BRAf book titled "**A Decade of Regional Cooperation in the Black Sea Basin (2008 – 2018)**" was distributed to the participants.

At the end of the meeting, it has been decided that the Presidency of the BRAf for 2024 was unanimously decided to hand over to the **Azerbaijani** Audiovisual Council of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

The delegations expressed their sincere gratitude to the **Turkish** Radio and Television Supreme Council for the warm and generous hospitality and the excellent organization of the Meeting in the beautiful city Antalya.

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Draft Agenda**

Venue: Sueno Hotels Deluxe Belek / Antalya

● **18 September 2023**

Gala

18:30 – 19:00: Arrival

19:00 – 19:30: Welcome Speeches

- Deniz GÜÇER, Secretary General of BRAF
- Gökhan YAZGI, Deputy Minister of Culture and Tourism
- Hulusi ŞAHİN, Governor of Antalya

19:30 – 21:30: Gala Dinner

● **19 September 2023**

Workshop on Disinformation and Digital Media Literacy

09:00 – 09:30: Registration and Coffee

09:30 – 10:15: Introduction to Disinformation and Digital Media Literacy

- Opening speech, Deniz GÜÇER, Secretary General of BRAF
- Alexei Nistean, Executive Manager in BSEC PERMIS

10:15 – 10:30: Coffee Break

10:30 – 12:00: Workshop: Disinformation and Digital Media Literacy

- Prof. Georgios Pleios, Member of Council, NCRTV (Greece)
 - Deniz GÜLER, Head of Department of Public Opinion, Broadcast Research and Measurement, RTÜK (Türkiye)
 - Jelena Kolo Jovanović, International Affairs Coordinator, REM (Serbia)
 - Melike YİĞİT BAKIR, Advisor to the President, President Advisor, RTÜK (Türkiye)
- Conclusion and moderation by Armela KRASNIQI, President of AMA (Albania)

12:00 – 12:30: Closing remarks

12:30 – 14:00: Lunch

BRAF 10th Annual Meeting – Licensing Challenges in the Digital Age (Only for BRAF Members)

14:00 – 14:15: Opening of the meeting, welcome/opening speeches

- Deniz GÜÇER, Secretary General of BRAF
- Ambassador Dr. Merve Safa KAVAKCI, First Deputy Secretary General of BSEC

14:15 – 14:20: Adoption of the agenda

14:20 – 14:30: Brief revision of previous meeting (BRAF 2018 Romania Meeting) - Monitoring Internet Media in the Digital Age

14:30 – 15:30: Annual Country Reports presentations by each Member Authorities regarding the developments in Member States since the last meeting

15:30 – 15:45: Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:45: Main Theme: Licensing Challenges in the Digital Age

16:45 – 17:00: Nomination for BRAF Presidency in next year- 2023/2024

17:00 – 17:15: Closing of BRAF 10th Annual Meeting

● **20 September 2023**

Departure of the Delegations