

ORGANIZATION OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION (BSEC)

25th ANNIVERSARY SUMMIT OF THE HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT AND

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS MEDIA ADVISORY

(15 May 2017)

INTRODUCTION:

The 25th Anniversary Summit of the BSEC Heads of State or Government will be held on 22 May

Meeting of the BSEC Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs will also be held on 21 May 2017 at the same venue.

This Media Advisory intends to provide information on media-related topics for the 25th Anniversary Summit and the Special Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs.

ACCREDITATION:

All media representatives who will cover the meetings on 21-22 May 2017 and utilize the media center as well as uplink vehicles must be accredited online.

Online application for media accreditation was closed on 12 May 2017. A confirmation e-mail for successfully completed applications will be sent to the applicants.

BADGES FOR MEDIA REPRESENTATIVES:

Badges will be delivered to accredited media representatives at the Accreditation Center (Hilton Hotel Convention and Exhibition Center) as from 18 May 2017, 09:00 local time.

Badges must be collected in person upon the presentation of identification cards & passports for international media representatives and originals of press cards or letters of authorization submitted online.





Badges for uplink vehicles will also be collected as from 18 May 2017, 09:00 local time at the same venue. Please note that there will be limited parking area reserved for uplink vehicles. There will also be detailed security checks at the entrance.

MEDIA CENTER:

The Media Center will be located at the Hilton Hotel Convention and Exhibition Center for the use of accredited media which will be equipped with facilities for the press. It will be operational from 18 May to 22 May between 09:00-18:00 local time.

MEDIA EVENTS:

A media programme will be provided to accredited media representatives in due course. Please note that only certain parts of the official programme will be open to media. Media pools may be arranged for certain media coverage opportunities when needed.

If the official cameramen and/or photographers wish to capture the arrival of their Head of Delegation to the meeting venue, they should arrive in advance.

All media access to the meeting venue will be escorted.

Accredited media will also be able to cover the opening ceremony of the new premises of the BSEC Permanent International Secretariat on 21 May 2017.

PRESS LIASION OFFICERS (PLOs):

PLOs of the delegations will be expected to coordinate the press activities of their delegations.

Those delegations who have not yet communicated the names, titles and contact details of their PLO should do so without any further delay via e-mail to press@bsec25turkey.org.tr

PRESS BRIEFING ROOMS:

A limited number of rooms will be made available at the meeting venue for press briefings by Heads of Delegations. Requests for booking press briefing rooms should be sent by PLOs via e-mail to press@bsec25turkey.org.tr or by contacting the media desk personally at the Media Centre as early as possible.





Turkey, is scheduled to be held at 13:00 on 22 May 2017 during which other press briefings will not be possible.

HOST BROADCASTER & PHOTOGRAPHER:

Turkish Radio and Television Corporation (TRT) is the official host broadcaster and Anadolu Agency (AA) is the official host photographer.

All accredited media will be able to have access to the audiovisual content produced by TRT and the photos taken by AA.

Access information to FTP:

ftp://yenihaberftp.trt.net.tr/TRT HABER/Kei2017/

User name: kei2017 Password : kei@2017*

TRT will produce

broadcast format will be 1080/50i HD. The satellite parameters will be announced in due course.

AA will publish the photos on the following Flickr account: https://www.flickr.com/photos/anadoluagency-bsec-summits/

provided by AA will be available without logo and free of charge.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES AT THE AIRPORT

Only the host broadcaster and host photographer as well as official cameramen and photographers accompanying their Head of Delegation will be able to broadcast or capture the arrival and departure of their Head of Delegation at the airport.

VISA REQUIREMENTS:

All accredited media representatives who require visas for Turkey will be responsible for ensuring that they have a valid passport and appropriate visa to enter the country.





Media representatives who successfully complete their online accreditation will receive confirmation by e-mail. Upon presentation of the confirmation e-mail at the Turkish missions abroad, media representatives will be able to obtain visas to enter Turkey free of charge.

In exceptional cases, media representatives who require visas for Turkey, yet not able to contact a Turkish mission abroad due to a force majeure, will be able to obtain visas to enter Turkey at the border gates upon presentation of the confirmation e-mail and free of charge. (Please note that no guarantee is given that visas will be issued at the border gates.)

Media representatives who prefer to obtain electronic visas should visit <u>www.evisa.gov.tr</u> (E-visas cannot be issued free of charge.)

The validity period of passports or travel documents of foreigners wishing to enter Turkey must be at least 60 days longer than their visa, visa exemption period or residence permit.

ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT:

Accredited media representatives must make their own accommodation and transport arrangements.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

For queries on media-related topics, please contact: press@bsec25turkey.org.tr

