



PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY OF THE BLACK SEA ECONOMIC COOPERATION  
**PABSEC**

INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT

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# GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## EIGHTEENTH PLENARY SESSION

Wednesday, 5 - Thursday, 6 December 2001

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### AGENDA

1. **Opening Ceremony**  
Statements by Personalities
2. **Matters of Procedure**
  - a) Adoption of the Agenda *(Doc. GA18/AG/01)*
  - b) Adoption of the Order of Business *(Doc. GA18/OB/01)*
  - c) Examination of New Credentials *(Doc. GA18/CRED/01)*
  - d) Approval of the Minutes of the Seventeenth Plenary Session  
of the General Assembly held in Baku on 19-21 June 2001  
*(Doc. GA17/MIN/00)*
  - e) Progress Report of the Parliamentary Assembly *(Doc. GA18/PROG/01)*
3. **General debate: Globalisation and the Black Sea Region's Challenges**  
◆ Statements by Speakers/Heads of national delegations.
4. **Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation**
  - a) The Fifth Meeting of the Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the  
BSEC Member-States, 26 October 2001, Antalya  
*(Doc. GA18/REP/BSEC/MFA/01)*
    - Protocol concerning Privileges and Immunities of the Parliamentary  
Assembly of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation
  - b) Meeting of the Ministers of Industry on SMEs of the BSEC Member-States,  
27 September 2001, Istanbul *(Doc. GA18/BP/BSEC/IND/01)*
5. **Economic, Commercial, Technological and Environmental Affairs**
  - a) Report on "Promoting Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development"  
*(Doc. GA18/EC17/REP/01)*
  - b) Recommendation 54/2001 on "Promoting Sustainable Agriculture and Rural  
Development"  
*(Doc. GA18/EC17/REC54/01)*

**6. Legal and Political Affairs**

- a) Report on “Cooperation among the PABSEC Member-Countries in promoting Political Stability through Economic Integration”  
(*Doc.GA18/LC18/REP/01*)
- b) Recommendation 55/2001 on “Cooperation among the PABSEC Member-Countries in promoting Political Stability through Economic Integration”

(*Doc.GA18/LC18/REC55/01*)

- Statement by the PABSEC Legal and Political Affairs Committee concerning terrorist attacks on the United States on 11 September 2001

(*Doc.GA18/LC18/STAT/01*)

- c) Declaration of the Assembly on Combating International Terrorism

**7. Cultural, Educational and Social Affairs**

- a) Report on “Black Sea Universities Network: Contribution to the BSEC Academic Cooperation”  
(*Doc.GA18/CC17/REP/01*)
- b) Recommendation 56/2001 on “Black Sea Universities Network: Contribution to the BSEC Academic Cooperation ”

(*Doc.GA18/CC17/REC56/01*)

- c) The Children and Youth Festival of the BSEC Member-States

- Recommendation 58/2001 on the organisation of the Children and Youth Festival of the BSEC Member-States  
(*Doc.GA18/REC58/CYF/01*)

**8. The Second General Assembly of the Black Sea Capitals’ Association, 15-16 October 2001, Athens**

- Recommendation 57/2001 on the Second General Assembly of the Black Sea Capitals’ Association  
(*Doc. GA18/REC57/01*)

**9. Financial Matters**

- a) Adoption of the Budget of the Assembly for the Financial Year 2002  
(*Doc. GA18/BUDG/01*)
- b) Setting up the Budget Drafting and Auditing Committee

**10. The 2002 Spring Session of the General Assembly**

Date, venue and agenda

**11. Rotation of the Presidency**

- ◆ Message by Mrs. Nino BURJANADZE, the Seventeenth President of the PABSEC, Chairperson of the Parliament of Georgia

**12. Closing of the General Assembly**

- ◆ Speech by Mr. Ognian GERDJKOV, the Sixteenth President of the PABSEC, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria.

**Press-Conference**