



## DECISIONS OF THE SENIOR OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

The Senior Officials Committee (SOC) at its online meeting on 19 April 2023 agreed on the following:

1. The SOC held regular review of implementation of CICA confidence building measures (CBMs) with focus on the “New Challenges and Threats” dimension and concluded that further improvement of modalities of CBM implementation will be discussed within the CICA transformation process.
2. The SOC approved the Concept Paper on Sustainable Development as circulated via Secretariat Note EN/SD/329 of 3 April 2023.
3. The SOC discussed the draft Road Map for CICA Transformation (RMT) submitted by the Chairmanship in document SOC/2023-I/CHAIR/2 of 7 April 2023 pursuant to paragraph 6 of the Astana Statement on CICA Transformation. The SOC generally welcomed the draft RMT as a basis for further work and will engage in more detailed discussion of all its elements, including at the working and expert level.
4. The SOC adopted the decision on the annual action plan of the CICA Think Tank Forum for 2023 as submitted in document SOC/2023-I/DRAFT/1 of 7 April 2023.
5. The SOC took note of the Financial Report of the CICA Secretariat for 2022 as circulated via Secretariat Note BDG/269 of 14 March 2023 and expressed appreciation to the Secretary General for its timely submission.

6. The SOC took note of the report of the external auditor on the financial and economic activities of the CICA Secretariat for the period from 1 October 2020 to 31 December 2022 as circulated via Secretariat Note BDG/270 of 14 March 2023 and commended the Secretariat for the effective financial management and optimal use of funds to achieve CICA goals and objectives.
7. The SOC generally welcomed the initiative of the Chairmanship of Kazakhstan to plant a CICA Alley in the capitals of the Member States on a voluntary basis, as proposed in Chair's document SOC/2023-I/CHAIR/3 of 12 April 2023.
8. The SOC welcomed the proposal by the Russian Federation to elaborate and adopt a statement of the CICA Ministerial Council on promoting volunteerism for sustainable development.
9. The SOC took note of the proposals of the Secretary General on operationalization of the CICA Fund submitted in document SOC/2023-I/SEC/1 of 9 March 2023.
10. The SOC reiterated the call by the Fourth and Fifth CICA Summits and Ministerial Meetings for signing and ratification of the CICA Convention on the Privileges and Immunities and took note of the update by the Secretary General on the status of its ratification.