

On 22 May, Dmitry Medvedev will head the Russian delegation at a meeting of heads of state and government from the Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation in Istanbul

The meeting's agenda includes a review of the Organisation's objectives, specifically to expand hands-on cooperation among the member states, including the development of cross-border roads, as well as sea and energy infrastructure. Participants will also discuss projects concerning renewable energy, energy efficiency, green technology, SMEs promotion, regional and municipal governance, and expanding export potentials of regional players.

The meeting is timed to coincide with the 25th anniversary of the Organisation. A joint declaration is expected to be adopted.