



## **GREEK TURKISH FORUM (GTF) STATEMENT**

### **“A Call for a Strengthened Political Dialogue Between Greece and Türkiye”**

The Greek Turkish Forum (GTF), having met in Athens on 14-15 October 2025 to assess the recent state of affairs between the two countries, as well as the regional issues affecting both, noted with satisfaction the steps taken regarding the positive agenda. This work has undoubtedly contributed to creating a productive perspective in their relations and a calmer atmosphere after tense bilateral periods. Enhancing cooperation and fostering a favorable climate will help sustain the momentum. In this context, the High-Level Cooperation Council meeting should be held as soon as feasible.

The GTF maintains the view that, in alignment with the principles of a constructive and forward-looking agenda, Greece and Turkey should also actively pursue a systematic exchange of views on regional issues, exploring possibilities of cooperation in initiatives to promote stability. Such engagements should thereby foster a climate of mutual trust through common contribution to regional security and lasting peace.

The GTF, recognizing the importance of economic cooperation and the partnership of business communities, encourages the two Business Councils to explore further cooperation initiatives.

The GTF reiterates its earlier proposal to establish a coordination mechanism to follow up on and support the implementation of existing agreements.

Additionally, the GTF thinks that the adoption of flagship projects could provide a strong impetus, and it is essential to engage civil society actors, universities, and think tanks in this process.

The GTF, which has been working to strengthen relations and contribute to the resolution of bilateral issues since 1997, calls for a strengthened political dialogue, a coordinated effort to deliver tangible results from the positive agenda agreements, and progress on the resolution process initiated three years ago. The initiation of a stronger and deeper process for the future of bilateral relations would benefit both our Countries and the region.