

Meeting between Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration Valeriu Chiveri and the new Head of the OSCE Mission to Moldova, Christopher W. Smith



On 2 September 2026 Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration Valeriu Chiveri met with the new Head of the OSCE Mission to Moldova, Christopher W. Smith. The Deputy Prime Minister congratulated him on his appointment and wished him success in fulfilling his mandate.

The officials discussed the current state of affairs in the Transnistrian settlement negotiation process and the dynamics of dialogue within existing interaction formats between Chişinău and Tiraspol, the most pressing issues affecting residents on both banks of the Nistru River, as well as the Government's priorities in implementing the country's reintegration policies.

The commitment to promoting a peaceful, sustainable, and comprehensive settlement of the Transnistrian conflict based on respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Moldova within its internationally recognized borders was reaffirmed.

The Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration noted the ongoing efforts of the authorities of the Republic of Moldova aimed at providing quality and effective public services to residents of the eastern districts of the country through the relevant territorial units on the right bank of the Nistru, as well as at restoring unified national spaces in areas such as social, economic, tax, customs, educational, and others. It was specified that the mechanisms for the gradual unification of customs and fiscal duties and fees credited to the budget, which will be accumulated in the Convergence Fund and whose beneficiaries are citizens of the Republic of Moldova living in the Transnistrian region, are designed to promote deeper socio-economic reintegration and eliminate development disparities between the two banks. Attention was also drawn to the need to respect fundamental human rights and freedoms in the region.

The interlocutors expressed their readiness to maintain dialogue and ongoing contact on the most pressing problems faced by residents on both banks of the Nistru, with a

view to developing the necessary solutions.

