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Baku, 25-26 October, 2018

Shaping a New World and a New Humanity: Creativity and Human Development

Формирование нового мира и нового человека: творчество и развитие человека
ABOUT FORUM

Baku International Humanitarian Forum is an event of famous representatives of political scientific and cultural elite of the world community including famous statesmen, Nobel Prize’s winners in the various fields of science and leaders of influential international organizations whose aim is holding dialogues, discussions and exchange of views on wide range of global issues in the interest of all humanity.

The organizers and participants of the Forum are representatives of natural and social sciences, as well as cultural elite of the world who have ambitious task of forming a new humanitarian agenda with the aim of its further consideration in the world scale. Most powerful people of the world are also invited to take part in the Forum. They are acting or former heads of states and founders of multinational corporations. Assembly of the representatives of all spheres of human activity leads to the optimal solution of vital problems, which disturb all humanity. The Forum was initiated by the Presidents of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Russian Federation in 2010.
**PROGRAMME:**

### 24.10.2018

**Welcoming the participants of the VI Baku International Humanitarian Forum**

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SHAPING A NEW WORLD AND A NEW HUMANITY: CREATIVITY AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

The VI Baku International Humanitarian Forum will focus on identifying and seeking to release creative ideas and energies that can both shape tomorrow’s world as well as respond to it. The drive to encourage and enable a greater correspondence between the world as a place and the world as a community of people will build new relationships, innovative and timely discussions and positive encouragement for change in traditional approaches to human development.

The Forum will highlight our need to take responsibility for a humanitarianism that is founded on a confidence in people and their competences to meet the critical challenges of our time; a humanity that saves lives, alleviates suffering and maintains human dignity at times of rapid change and strains, during and after human-made crises and disasters caused by natural hazards, as well as a humanity that prevents and strengthens preparedness for when such situations occur. The Forum places such action within the key principles of humanity, impartiality, neutrality and independence, which are important across our world.

Central to the Forum’s concept is the call of the UN Secretary General for partnerships and collaborations, for a joined up world of civil society, national and international governments and organizations, and for a commitment to proactivity – so that we work together to prevent the negatives and anticipate the positives. Human adaptability and creativity have been central to our success as individuals and in communities. Every period in history has included new challenges which have required us to think, behave and cooperate in new and creative ways. Today’s world is no different. In September 2015, 193 world leaders set out what our world needs to do to bring about sustainable development by 2030, including eliminating extreme poverty and hunger, tackling climate change, reducing inequality, and putting sustainable water supplies, energy sources and industry in place.

OPENING CEREMONY OF THE VI BAKU INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN FORUM

THURSDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2018/ 10:00 – 11:00/ HEYDAR ALIYEV CENTER

“SHAPING A NEW WORLD AND A NEW HUMANITY: CREATIVITY AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT”

Opening speech:

H.E. Mr. Ilham Aliyev - President of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Speakers:

Ms. Olga Golodets - Deputy Prime Minister of Russian Federation
Mr. Rashid Khalilov - Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations for Humanitarian Partnerships with the Middle East and Central Asia
Mr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri - Director General of ISESCO
Mr. Qu Xing - Deputy director of UNESCO
Ms. Gabriela Cuevas Barron - President of Inter-Parliamentary Union
1ST PLENARY SESSION
THURSDAY, 25 October 2018/ 11:30 – 13:00/ HEYDAR ALIYEV CENTER
“EDUCATION AND SCIENCE IN THE CONTEXT OF HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT”

As a period of rapid change in which technologies, and the systems through which technologies are used, are evolving faster than ever before, the way in which education prepares individuals to reach their full potential is also evolving. Big questions are raised about how education can and should be designed for a very different age, for different needs, and indeed for yet unknown jobs and occupations. Most jobs that today’s young people will have in the future do not yet exist. There is also the challenge of difference, of the advantaged and the less advantaged, and of how education can address the issues of social mobility. Creativity is central to this process. Our schools and universities must teach creative and critical thinking skills, so that learners enter the job market with the ability to adapt to the changing world of work in which they will find themselves. This understanding transforms the role of education: knowledge alone is not enough. Instead, education must foster the ability to find new ways of using existing knowledge; of thinking in creative, innovative and entrepreneurial ways. If we are to move towards an educational philosophy that is fit for the 21st Century, we need to think creatively and expansively about the educational process.

- Even our best education systems were designed for different times; how can we accelerate the changes in pedagogy needed for our new age?
- How can we anticipate future of work in ways that can help with preparing for employment?
- How can education be mobilized for peace?
- Why independent learning and life-long learning still minority activities?

Moderators:

Mr. Urkhan Alakbarov - Rector of the Public Administration Academy under the President of Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Anatoli Torkunov - Rector of the MGIMO University

Speakers:

Mr. Jeyhun Bayramov - Minister of Education of the Azerbaijan Republic
Ms. Inga Rhonda King - President of ECOSOC
Mr. Akif Alizade - President of the National Academy of Sciences of Azerbaijan
Mr. Sergey Neverov – Deputy Chairman of the State Duma of the Russian Federation
Mr. Farhan Nizami - Director of Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies, UK
Mr. Abdullah Alma’tuk - Chairman of International Islamic Charitable Organization, Advisor at al Diwan al Amiri and Special adviser to the Secretary General of the United Nations
Mr. Aqibay Smaqulov - Deputy Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
Mr. Damir Šehović - Minister of Education of Montenegro
Innovation is the key to both a creative (and therefore resilient) economy, and to the creative industries, which are themselves pivotal to the health of a society. A creative economy is versatile and multifaceted; flexible and adaptable. Over the last century, the focus of technological innovation has transformed. A shift has occurred towards networks and systems: innovation now concerns connectivity, transfer and movement. Innovation in the 20th Century was of large, universal developments in transport, energy, medicine and communications. In the 21st century change is likely to focus on the distribution and use of these 20th Century developments, and focus more on how the benefits are shared.

In one sense, this shift in innovative thinking is semantic. 21st Century innovation is disruptive: it aims to transform the way we do things. This is in part driven by the pursuit of prosperity: there is a need to justify innovation in economic terms; to make returns and attract investment. Just as we cannot be sure what the future holds for future employment markets, innovation is also not predictable, it shifts and transform. To best harness the power of innovation for human development, we must analyze and reflect on these patterns and shifts.

- Should we fear innovation and change that disrupts?
- How can we plan and prepare for innovation if at its best it is more often accidental?
- In our social partnerships between the state and communities how can we harness and incentivize innovations that bring social benefits and discourage those that do not?
- How can innovation in the creative industries help with the SDGs?

**Moderators:**

Mr. Rufat Mammadov - Deputy Minister of Economy of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
Mr. Alexander Dynkin - President of the Institute of World Economy and International Relations, Russian Federation

**Keynote speaker:**

Mr. Elmir Velizadeh - Deputy Minister of Transport, Communications and High Technologies of the Republic of Azerbaijan

**Speakers:**

Mr. Rastislav Vrbensky - Deputy Director, UNDP Europe and the CİS  
Mr. Evgeniy Sesitsky - Program Officer at WIPO  
Mr. Ashley Goodall - Director at Hybrid Communications, UK  
Mr. Azad Jafarli - Head of Staff of the State Agency for Public Service and Social Innovations under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan  
Ms. Julia Mair - Chief Marketing Officer at Clarivate Analytics  
Mr. Alex Sudadze - Honor member of Blockchain Association Georgia and Founder of A-Star Investment Foundation (ICO and cryptocurrency investment)  
Mr. Terry Sandell - Culture and creative industries expert, UK  
Mr. Tural Kerimli - Acting Head of High Tech Park, Ministry of Transport, Communications and High Technologies of the Republic of Azerbaijan (presentation)
BREAKOUT SESSION
THURSDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2018/ 17:00 – 18:30/ HEYDAR ALIYEV CENTER
“THE POLICY OF MULTICULTURALISM AS A FACTOR OF ENSURING STABILITY IN SOCIETY”

The Republic of Azerbaijan is a rare nation that has adopted multiculturalism as a state policy. It is successfully implemented as a policy model. Due to this policy, there is no ethnic or religious conflict in Azerbaijan, and the country is among the leading nations on the indexes of sustainable and inclusive development.

Participants of the session will exchange views on the case of Azerbaijan regarding the multiculturalism’s impact on sustainable and inclusive development as well as the specifics of the Azerbaijani model of multiculturalism.

1st session

Moderator:
Mr. Etibar Najafov - Head of the Department of Interethnic Relations, Multiculturalism and Religious Affairs of the Presidential Administration of Azerbaijan Republic

Speakers:
Mr. Kamal Abdullayev - Chair of the Board of Trustees of Baku International Multiculturalism Centre and rector of Azerbaijan University of Languages
Mr. Mubariz Gurbanli - Chairman to the State Committee on Religious Associations of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Sheikh ul-Islam Haji Allahshukur Pashazada - Chairman of the Caucasus Moslem Board, Azerbaijan
Mr. Sri-Sri Ravi Shankar - Spiritual leader of “The Art of Living Foundation”, India
Mr. Aleksandar Bogdanovich - Minister of Culture of Montenegro
Ms. Hedva Ser - Goodwill Ambassador of UNESCO. UNESCO’s Artist for Peace. Special Envoy for Cultural Diplomacy, France
Ms. Jannah Scott - Head of the Representation of the International Multiculturalism Centre in the USA, Advisor of Washington Law Association, USA
Ms. Kamila Aliyeva - Chair of social psychology department of Baku State University
Mr. Aleksandr Ishein - The Archbishop of Baku and Azerbaijan Eparchy of the Russian Orthodox Church, Azerbaijan
Mr. Vladimir Fekete - Bishop of Municipa, Azerbaijan

2nd session

Moderator:
Ms. Irina Kraeva - Rector of the Moscow State Linguistic University

Speakers:
Mr. Milih Yevdayev - Head of the Community of Mountain Jews in Baku, Azerbaijan
Mr. Alessandro Figus - Professor of Link Campus University, Italy
Mr. Adnan Khan - Representative of the Council of Pakistani-American Issues and Advisor of the Representation of Baku International Multiculturalism Centre in the USA, USA
Ms. Hyepin Im - The authorized representative of National and Local Volunteers Community Service appointed by the President of the United States, Advisor of the Representation of Baku International Multiculturalism Centre in the USA, USA
The 2030 Agenda is a broad and universal development framework, with 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 associated targets which are integrated and indivisible. The implementation of the new sustainable development agenda requires a more holistic, coherent and integrated approach at the national, regional and global levels. Policies to implement the Agenda need to address inter-linkages within the social sector, as well as between the social, economic and environmental dimensions of sustainable development. Similarly, existing institutions or institutional mechanisms that are working in the field of social development will have to adjust or expand the scope of their work so as to accommodate the new mandates arising from the post-2015 development agenda. Azerbaijan attaches great importance to global partnerships. Creation and strengthening of such partnerships in coming years is one of the key goals and objectives of the Government of Azerbaijan. Within the framework of this partnership and support of the United Nations and other international development partners, Azerbaijan has had significant gains in its fight against poverty and socio-economic development through creation of jobs and investment in key infrastructure in the last two decades. As a result, the level of poverty declined from 49 percent in 2000 to 4.9 percent in 2015 according to official statistics.

Cultural programme

25 October 2018/ 19:00 – 19:50, Azerbaijan State Musical Theatre

A musical performance “In memoriam Nasimi”.
Composer: UNESCO Artist for Peace, Franghiz Ali-zade

The musical performance, dedicated to one of the greatest Azerbaijani poets and philosophers, one of the most prominent early divan masters, Imadaddin Nasimi, will take place on the stage of Azerbaijan State Musical Theatre. This project was specifically prepared for the UNESCO Programme of commemoration of historic events and anniversaries of eminent personalities, and was successfully presented in November 2017 at the Headquarters of the organization in Paris. During the on-stage musical performance of classical and folk Azerbaijani instruments performed by the mugham master, the singing voice of Nasimi resonates his most famous poems glorifying man, his power might, love and beauty. The image of Nasimi appears on stage, surrounded by dark and light forces that oppose each other.

BAKU CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (program is attached)

THURSDAY, 25 OCTOBER 2018/ 15:00 – 18:00/ FAIRMONT BAKU HOTEL

STRENGTHENING THE REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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There is an unequal battle between them, which ends with the tragically painful execution of the great poet. For more than six centuries his glorious name has been extolled in the East as a symbol of courage, heroism, unshakable will, and faithfulness to his convictions, for whom legends were created and works of art written. For centuries, artists of the world, who wanted to characterize the inflexibility of their beliefs and the faithfulness of love, would liken themselves to the immortal Nasimi, this knight of ideas, in admiration of his self-control, will and unbending in the face of a tragic death. The fate of the poet and philosopher Imadeddin Nasimi is a symbol of courage and loyalty to his convictions. Nasimi’s name was made forever immortal not only because of his heroic death for his convictions, but also because of his great love for man, faith in his might and creative powers and the progressive ideas expressed in the language of high art.

DINNER
25 OCTOBER 2018/ 20:00-21:30

Mangal Steak House (invitation only)
Khan Restaurant (invitation only)

THE 1ST MEETING OF THE AZERBAIJAN-EDUCATED ALUMNI (program is attached)

26 OCTOBER 2018/ 09:00 – 12:00/ ADA UNIVERSITY

“INVESTING IN FUTURE: TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT”

BREAKOUT SESSION
26 OCTOBER 2018/ 09:00 – 12:30/ MARRIOTT ABSHERON HOTEL, KHOJASAN HALL

DISINFORMATION POLICY – A THREAT TO STABILITY IN THE MODERN WORLD

One of the negative by-products of increased interconnectivity is the rapid dissemination of misinformation. Accountability in such an interconnected world is difficult to address. While incorrect information is not new, the world is experiencing a dramatic increase in free-form and unregulated information (that which is not filtered by publishers, editors or other gatekeepers). As a result, more people are exposed to misinformation and at a higher rate than ever. Two pressing questions arise. First, who is, or should be, held accountable for such information? Second, what mechanisms can be created which regulate the spread of information without jeopardizing freedom of speech? A key differentiation between misinformation and disinformation can be made, and can further expand the above dilemmas. While the former is inaccurate information which has not necessarily been intentionally spread, the second is information produced with the intent to disinform. This differentiation further problematizes the issue of accountability. Disinformation and propaganda used primarily to influence an audience and further an agenda, often presents facts selectively to encourage a particular synthesis or perception, or uses carefully constructed language to produce an emotional rather than a rational response. This is no longer simply associated with governments, but increasingly commonplace with activist groups, the corporate and media sectors.

- How do we protect against false information and protect the rights of people?
- What is the role of International Organizations in an information age?
- Does misinformation and disinformation matter in a digital age?
- Can education help protect us from ‘fake news’?
1st session/09:00-10:30

Moderators:

Mr. Aslan Aslanov - Chairman of the Board of AZERTAC, President of News Agencies World Congress and OANA
Mr. Mikhail Gusman - First Deputy Director General of Russian news agency TASS, vice-president of News Agencies World Council

Speakers:

Mr. Dmitry Savelyev - Member of State Duma of the Russian Federation
Mr. Alexandru Giboi - Director General of AGERPRESS Romanian News Agency and Secretary General of European Alliance of News Agencies
Mr. Kalle Laanet - Vice-president of Parliament of Estonia
Mr. Sayed Ziya Hashemi - Director General of IRNA
Ms. Shafag Mehraliyeva - ADA University, School of Public and International Affairs Faculty, Communication Specialist, Azerbaijan
Mr. Dmitry Juk - Director General of “Belarus segodnya” Media Holding
Mr. Alejandro Maciel - Editor-in-Chief of Newspaper “Hoy Los-Angeles”

2nd session/11:00-12:30

Moderators:

Mr. Vugar Seyidov - Special Correspondent of AZERTAC in Germany, Secretary General of Organization of Asia-Pacific News Agencies – OANA
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Mr. Sergey Mikhailov - Director General of Russian News Agency TASS, Chairman of CIS Council of Heads of State News Agencies
Ms. Armela Krasniqi - Director General of Albanian Telegraphic Agency ATA
Ms. Laure Sleiman - Director General of the Lebanon National News Agency
Mr. Peter Tase - International Programs Assistant of Marquette University, expert on international relations
Mr. Amir Aliyev - Dean of Faculty of Law at Baku State University
“Baku Process” for the promotion of intercultural dialogue was initiated by H.E. Mr. Ilham Aliyev, President of the Republic of Azerbaijan at the Conference of Ministers of Culture of Europe and its Neighboring Regions held in Baku in partnership with the Council of Europe on 2-3 December, 2008.

As a country situated in the crossroads of different cultures and civilizations Azerbaijan initiated “Baku Process” for the promotion of intercultural dialogue in 2008. Since 2011 in the frame of the Baku Process, Azerbaijan hosted the four World Forums on Intercultural Dialogue in partnership with UN Alliance of Civilizations, UNESCO, World Tourism Organization, the Council of Europe and ISESCO and Baku International Humanitarian Forums as well as UN Alliance of Civilizations 7th Global Forum 2016. The Baku Process helps place intercultural dialogue and cultural diversity higher on the international agenda as a critical element for achieving human security and as a prime responsibility of our time. A central and integral part of the Process, the World Forums on Intercultural Dialogue (WFID) organized to date have brought together heads of governments, ministers, heads of various international organizations, senior policy makers, cultural professionals, goodwill ambassadors, experts, journalists, practitioners, prominent intellectuals and activists. WFID has become an established international platform to enable and encourage people, countries and organizations around the globe to take concrete actions to support diversity, dialogue and mutual understanding among nations by raising awareness on the importance of intercultural dialogue worldwide.

Presentation on “Baku Process – History of 10 Years”

Vasif Eyvazzade - deputy head of administration - head of department of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Moderator:

Mr. Abulfas Garayev - Minister of the Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Speakers:

Mr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwaijri - Director General of ISESCO
Mr. Qu Xing - Deputy director of UNESCO
Mrs. Irina Bokova - Director General of UNESCO (2009-2017)
Mr. Robert Palmer - Director of Robert Palmer Consultants, former Director of Culture, Cultural and Natural Heritage, Council of Europe
Mr. Abdel Aziz Abu Hamad Aluwaisheg - Assistant Secretary-General at Gulf Cooperation Council
Mr. Fethi Mansouri - Professor at Deakin University, Australia
Ms. Rocio Cervera - Deputy Executive director of North-South Center of the Council of Europe
Mr. Richard Zapata Barrero - Professor at Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain
Ms. Samia Bibars - Director of Inter-Civilizations Dialogue Department of the League of Arab States
BAKU CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Strengthening the Regional Partnership on Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals

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FAIRMONT – FLAME TOWERS
1A, Mehdi Huseyn Street, Baku 1006


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14:30-15:00
Registration

OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY OF THE BAKU CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Ms. Maria Ramos - Master of Ceremony (TRT World News Presenter)

Video presentation: Azerbaijan and Sustainable Development Goals

Welcome remarks by the high level representatives:
Mr. Ali Ahmadov - Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Chairman of National Coordination Council on Sustainable Development
Mr. Ghulam Isaczai - UN Resident Coordinator in the Republic of Azerbaijan
Ms. Inga Rhonda King - President of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
Mr. Richard Raši - Deputy Prime Minister for Investments and Information, Slovak Republic
Ms. Marianna Shchetkina - Deputy Chairman of the National Assembly of the Republic of Belarus
Ms. Leyla Aliyeva - Vice-President of the Heydar Aliyev Foundation
Mr. Rashid Khalikov - Assistant Secretary General, United Nations
Ms. Olga Algayerova - United Nations Under-Secretary-General, Executive Secretary of United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (video message)
Mr. Tedros Adhanom - Director General of the World Health Organization (video message)
Mr. Rastislav Vrbensky - Deputy Director of the UNDP Regional Bureau for Europe and the CIS

15:00-16:00
Presentation of young “SDG Ambassadors”
Commemoration of the UN Day
Presentation of the SDG song

Group Photo
Coffee Break

I Session: Promote sustainable and inclusive economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

Moderator: Ms. Maria Ramos - Master of Ceremony (TRT World News Presenter)

Speakers:

Mr. Shahin Mustafayev - Minister of Economy of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Emil Karanikolov - Minister of Economy of the Republic of Bulgaria
Mr. Sahil Babayev - Minister of Labour and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Mrs. Zhunusbekova Madina Serikovna - Deputy Minister of National Economy of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
Mr. Ziyad Samadzade - Chairman of the Committee on Economic Policy, Industry, Entrepreneurship
Mr. Riccardo Giovannini - Partner EY International Audit Company, Responsible Sustainability Services (Mediterranean Region)
Ms. Vesna Dzuteska Bisheva - Regional Adviser on Employment – UNDP Regional Hub for Europe and CIS

Discussion topics:

- Promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth;
- Full and productive employment and decent work for all;
- Strengthening the means of implementation and revitalizing the Global and Regional Partnership for Sustainable Development;
- The role of private enterprises in achieving Sustainable Development Goals.
Official dinner

FRIDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2018

Registration

II Session: Interactive discussion on the role of youth, women, parliament, civil society and other stakeholders on the way of the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals

Chaired by: Mrs. Hijran Huseynova - Chairperson of the State Committee for Family, Women and Children Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Speakers:

Mrs. Marianna Schetkina - Deputy Chairman of the Council of the National Assembly of the Republic of Belarus
Mrs. Bahar Muradova - Deputy Chairman of the Parliament of Azerbaijan Republic
Mr. Tahir Mirkishili - Member of delegation of the Republic of Azerbaijan in Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
Mr. Intigam Babayev - Deputy Minister of Youth and Sports
Mr. Vuqar Bayramov - Director of Center for Economic and Social Development (CESD)
Ms. Maryam Majidova - Chairperson, National Council of the Youth Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Discussion topic:

- Based on "leaving no one behind" principle involvement of all stakeholders and contributing to the effective participation at all levels in the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals:

Coffee Break

III Session: Promoting peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, providing access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels until 2030

Chaired by: Mrs. Elmira Suleymanova - Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Ombudsman
Speakers:

Mr. Alexander Zuev - Assistant Secretary-General for Rule of Law, Security and Institutions. Department of Peacekeeping Operations of United Nations
Mr. Sheref Malkoch - Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Turkey, Ombudsman
Mr. Milosh Prisa - Ambassador, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Mr. Askar Shakirov - Commissioner for Human Rights of Kazakhstan, Ombudsman
Mr. Mahmud Mammad-Guliyev - Deputy minister of Foreign Affairs Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Elman Nasirov - member of Parliament of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Discussion topics:

- Contribute to promotion and implementation of international and local peaceful societies and non-discriminatory laws and policies;
- Bringing the best practices to the world for ensuring responsible, inclusive, joint and representative-based decision making at all levels.

Lunch


Chaired by: Mr. Rastislav Vrbensky - Deputy Director of the UNDP Regional Bureau for Europe and the CIS

Speakers:

Mrs. Marianna Schetkina - Deputy Chairman of the Council of the National Assembly of the Republic of Belarus
Mr. Tahir Budagov - Chairman of the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of the Azerbaijan
Mr. Ben Slay - Senior Advisor of UNDP Regional Bureau for Europe and CIS
Ms. Melek Çakmak - Head of the FAO Representative Office in Azerbaijan
Mr. Edward Karwardine - Country Representative UNICEF Azerbaijan
Mr. Milosh Prisa - Ambassador are Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Discussion topics:
- Sharing best practices in countries which have already got the localization of goals and targets of 2030 Agenda;
- Promote statistical commitment on the way of successful implementation of Sustainable Development Goals;
- Role of the Mainstreaming, Acceleration and Policy Support in achieving Sustainable Development Goals.

Coffee Break
V Session: Strengthening the partnership about the clean water supply and against climate change, and its impacts for the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals.

Moderator:
Mr. Mukhtar Babayev - Minister of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Azerbaijan / Ms. Maria Ramos - Master of Ceremony (TRT World News Presenter)

Speakers:
Mr. Sulton Rahimzoda - Deputy minister of energy and water resources of the Republic of Tajikistan
Mr. Urkhan Alakbarov - Rector, Academy of Public Administration under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Ms. Katja Schaefer - Inter-regional advisor, UN-Habitat
Mr. Alexandre Hedjazi - Director of Global Environmental Policy Program, professor of the University of Geneva, Switzerland.
Ms. Khayala Mammadova - High level representative of “Azersu”

Discussion topics:
- Increasing the resilience against climate-related threats and natural disasters in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals
- The best practices for adjustment of climate-related targets to national policies and strategies.
- The role of effective clean water management in Sustainable Development Goals.

Adoption of the Baku Principles as a result of the Forum

Closing speeches by the high level representatives:
Mr. Ali Ahmadov - Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Ghulam Isaczai - UN Resident Coordinator in Azerbaijan

Dinner (by invitation)
ROUND TABLE ON “INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE: TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT”

FRIDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2018

ADA University, Large Auditorium Building C
11 Ahmadbey Aghaoghlu street
Baku, Azerbaijan

08.30-09.00
Registration of participants
Opening session

Moderator:
Mr. Hafiz Pashayev - Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Rector of ADA University

Speakers:
Mr. Elmar Mammadyarov - Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Jeyhun Bayramov - Minister of Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan
Mr. Akif Alizadeh - President of the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences
Mr. Fuad Muradov - Chairman of the State Committee on Affairs with Diaspora of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Official presentation of the “International Association of Foreign Alumni of Azerbaijan” by the Azerbaijan International Development Agency (AİDA) within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan

09.00-10.30
Coffee break
Panel I: The role of cultural diversity in sustainable development

Moderator:
Mr. Kamal Abdullayev - Rector of the Azerbaijan University of Languages

Speakers:
Mr. Arye Gut - Expert on international relations and Executive Director of Baku International Multiculturalism Center’s Branch in Israel, State of Israel
Mr. Aziz Aliyev - Rector of Baku branch of I. M. Sechenov First Moscow Medical University
Mr. Sergey Naumov - CEO of Piraeus Bank, Ukraine
Mr. Gabriel Sanchez Perez - General Supervisor of Patrimonial Inspection Department of the Government of the Republic of Peru, Republic of Peru

10.30-11.00
11.00-11.30
Panel II: The role of education in developing a sustainable economy

Moderator:
Mr. Jeyhun Bayramov - Minister of Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Speakers:
Mr. Elmar Mammadov - Rector of ADA University
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Coffee break
Panel II: Energy at the heart of sustainable and inclusive development

Moderator:

Mr. Mustafa Babanli - Rector of the Azerbaijan State Oil and Industry University

Speakers:

Mr. Somdy Bounkhoum - Vice Chairman of Committee for External Relations of the Central Committee of the Lao People’s Revolutionary Party, Lao People’s Democratic Republic
Mr. Abraham Josef - Honorary Professor of the University of Miskolc, Hungary
Mr. Tien Dao - Director Center for Azerbaijani Culture and History Studies, Socialist Republic of Vietnam
Mr. Mona Zedan Amer - Doctor at Helwan University, Arab Republic of Egypt

Panel III: Human capacity building as the key to sustainable development

Moderator:

Mr. Fariz Ismailzade - Vice-rector of the ADA University, Republic of Azerbaijan

Speakers:

Mr. Hakan Aras - Area Manager of Igdir Industrial Zone, Turkey
Ms. Nailya Almukhamedova - Leading expert of Department of Social and Cultural Development, Institute for system research PARASAT, Republic of Kazakhstan
Mr. Akram Tarhini - Projects Manager of Council for Development and Reconstruction, Lebanese Republic
Venues of the events

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