Workshop for the Participation of Non-EU Black Sea and EaP Countries in Thematic COFUND ERANETs & JPIs

13-14 October 2016











Administrative Note

Dear Workshop Participant,

The Science Development Foundation (SDF) under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Centre for Regional and International STI Studies and Support (CeRISS) would like to welcome you to the "Workshop for the Participation of Non-EU Black Sea and EaP Countries in Thematic COFUND ERANETs & JPIs", Baku, Azerbaijan, 13-14 October 2016.

You are kindly requested to read the following administrative note as it contains useful information about the schedule of the meetings as well as your accommodation and transport.

VENUE OF THE EVENT

Hilton Baku Hotel, "Yagut" Hall

The registration starts at 9.00 on Monday, 13 October 2016 at the Hilton Baku Hotel, on front of "Yagut" Hall. Address: 1b Azadlig Avenue, Baku, AZ1000, Azerbaijan, Tel.: +994-12-4645000; Fax: +994-12-4645001.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All participants who fly under the organizers' costs must bring their boarding passes and submit them to SDF staff. Boarding passes of return must be scanned and sent by e-mail to: laman.huseynbayli@elmfondu.az.
- All participants who issued a visa for their trip may be reimbursed by organizers. However, it is mandatory to hand in a copy of visa and the original invoice (!).

ACCOMMODATION AND SUBSISTENCE

- Participants will be accommodated at the Hilton Baku Hotel, where event will take place, 1 min walk from famous Baku Boulevard and Government House.
- During the meeting, coffee-tea and lunch breaks will be served. Please refer to the AGENDA of the meeting.
- Organizers will host Welcome Networking Reception for the Workshop participants on 12 October and Working dinner at the national style restaurant on 13 October.
- Participants are kindly requested to gather at the lobby of the Hilton Baku Hotel at 13 October at 19.30 in order to go to the restaurant by transport (10-15 minutes).
- On 14 October SDF organizes sightseeing tour around 15.00.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

Please note that all participants will be picked-up at the Baku Heydar Aliyev International Airport. Please, look for Workshop sign and/or your name at exit. You can also use taxi or public bus.

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR BAKU

Time

GMT / UTC + 4



Weather

While the month of October in Baku is still has mild temperature, the famous winds in Baku make weather cooler at this time of year. The average temperature this month is **19-20°C**, while the average low drops to **13-15°C**. Do not forget to bring light rain coats.

Currency

The official currency is the Azerbaijani Manat (code: AZN), which is divided into 100 gepiks. Banks and exchange offices are available and major credit cards are accepted. ATMs are widespread and are generally the cheapest and most convenient method of obtaining local currency.



PRACTICAL INFORMATION FOR BAKU

Electricity

Electrical current is 220 volts and 50Hz and the plugs in use, are the European-style two-pin.

Communication

The international access code for Azerbaijan is + 994.

Local mobile phone operators (AzerCell, Nar-Mobile, BakCell) use GSM networks and have roaming agreements with most international operators.

Emergency numbers

- Fire 101
- Police 102
- Ambulance **103**
- Gas 104
- Electricity **199**
- State Migration Service 919
- Ministry of Emergency Situations 112

LOCATION



It is the largest country in the Caucasus region located at the crossroads of Western Asia and Eastern Europe

It is bounded by the Caspian Sea to the east,
Russia to the north,
Georgia to the northwest,
Armenia to the west and Iran to the south.

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DETAILS

Total area
Calling code
Language
Currency
Drives on the
Time zone

86600 km²

+994

Azerbaijani

AZN right

AZT (UTC+04)

BAKU

It is the capital and largest city of Azerbaijan, as well as the largest on the Caspian Sea and of the Caucasus region.



CAPITAL CITY - BAKU

Welcome to Baku - a city which presents hosts of new possibilities and exciting opportunities! The city is the scientific, cultural and industrial center of Azerbaijan. Many sizeable Azerbaijani institutions have their headquarters here, including SOCAR, one of the world's top 100 companies and others.

Baku has many popular tourist and entertainment spots, such as the downtown Fountains Square, the One and Thousand Nights Beach, Shikhov Beach and Oil Rocks. Baku's vicinities feature Yanar Dag, an ever-blazing spot of natural gas. On 2 September 2010, with the inauguration of National Flag Square, Baku became home to the world's tallest flagpole, according to the Guinness Book of Records.



TRANSPORT

- METRO
- · TAXI
- BUS
- TOUR BUS





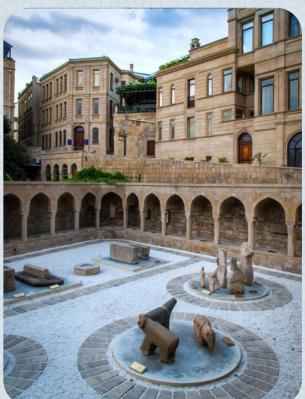




SIGHTSEEING

Walled City of Baku (Old City)

- the medieval period city,
 which was the historic capital
 and resident of ruler palaces
- Classified as a World Heritage
 Site by UNESCO in 2000
- Contains evidence of various cultures, including Zoroastrian, Persian, Ottoman, and Russian.
- Many of the defensive walls of the Old City, which date to the 12th century, remain intact.





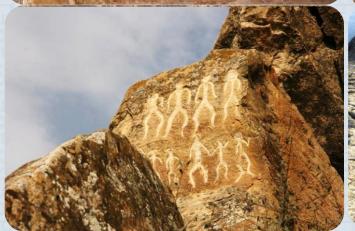


SIGHTSEEING

Gobustan

- monticule semi-desert area dissected by numerous gullies and ravines
- It is in a volcanic desert southwest of Baku where the outcrops and caves are covered in rock paintings from the early Stone Age, more than 10,000 years old
- Settled since the Stone Age
 the area is one of the major
 and most ancient museums
 of rock engravings
 (petroglyphs) in the world.









SIGHTSEEING

Fountain Square

Considered to be Baku's most fashionable destination, Fashion Square is where the incrowd congregates. Highlights of the square include trendy restaurants and upscale shops.

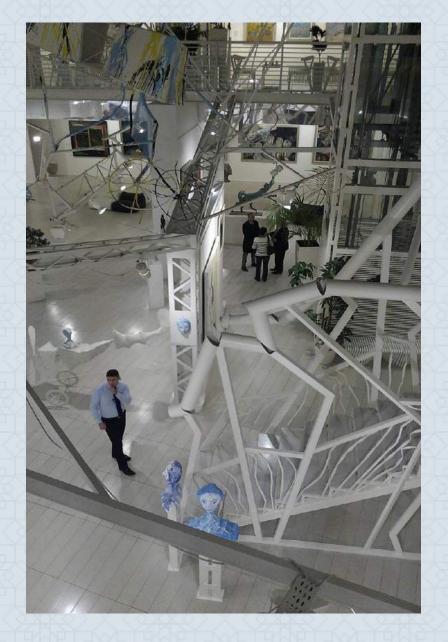
The square is a public gathering place, especially after business hours and during the weekend. It is an attractive tourist destination with many boutiques, restaurants, shops and passage. The fountains square is a location where the city authorities hold many public festivals, shows and celebrations



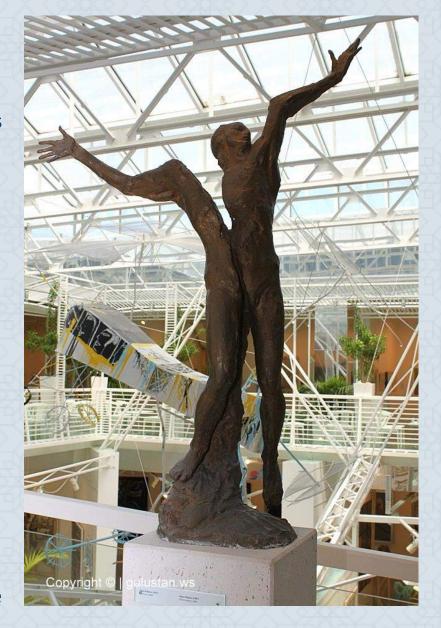




MUSEUM OF MODERN ART



The museum does not have fixed subject areas. The architectural concept of the museum avoids halls with corners and has open passages and walls that meet at different angles, creating a multidimensional perspective of exhibits. The museum focuses on the second half of the twentieth century and contains over 800 works by notable Azerbaijani painters and sculptors, particularly avant garde art of the 1960s and 1970s, also non-Azerbaijani modern masterworks by Salvador Dal Pablo Picasso, and Marc Chagall from private collectors.



AZERBAIJAN STATE CARPET AND NATIONAL APPLIED ARTS MUSEUM

The Museum is a unique institution that keeps one of the richest collections of Azerbaijan carpets in the world. Besides old carpets and works of applied art, the Museum also exhibits works by modern weavers and craftsmen. From its first days, the Museum has turned into a specialized institution of researching and popularizing the Azerbaijan carpet and local carpet weaving traditions.

The architectural design is in a very unusual form – "rolled up carpet", which stresses the eccentricity of the building. Unique materials are used for the construction of the building.



MODERN BAKU

- FLAG SQUARE
- HEYDAR ALIYEV Center
- GANJLIK Mall
- FLAME TOWERS









AZERBAIJANI CUISINE







HILTON BAKU HOTEL

Situated in the centre Hilton Baku is within walking distance of the historic walled city. Stay in contemporary well appointed rooms and enjoy the largest meeting facilities in town.

- Business Center Fitness Center
- Meeting Rooms
 Free Parking
- Indoor Pool

