



*Baku State University*

**2025 REPORT ON**

**17** PARTNERSHIPS  
FOR THE GOALS





---

## INTRODUCTION

---

In recent years, the role of higher education institutions in supporting sustainable development has become increasingly important. Universities are expected not only to provide quality education but also to contribute to research, innovation, and cooperation that address global and societal challenges. Partnerships for the Goals, which emphasizes the importance of cooperation among institutions, governments, the private sector, and civil society to achieve sustainable development.

This report provides an overview of key activities carried out by BSU in the areas of international cooperation, academic partnerships, research collaboration, and institutional engagement. These activities include cooperation agreements with international universities and organizations, participation in international conferences and academic events, joint research initiatives, and collaboration with public and private sector partners.

Furthermore, there is a strong emphasis on creating opportunities for students and academic staff to participate in international programs, research projects, and educational initiatives that enhance academic development and professional skills. By promoting collaboration and supporting academic mobility, the university contributes to the development of a more connected and knowledge-based academic community.

Overall, these initiatives reflect BSU's commitment to strengthening partnerships, expanding international cooperation, and supporting sustainable development through education and research.





For previous year`s report, please see

<https://sdg.bsu.edu.az/uploads/files/SDG%2017.pdf>



- ❖ Jamila Yusifova, Head of the Methodology and Cooperation Department of the Scientific Library of Baku State University (BSU) and Director of the Azerbaijan Library Information Consortium (AzLIC), participated in the ANKOSLink 2025 International Conference held on 4–6 November 2025 in Ankara, Türkiye. ANKOSLink 2025, organized under the theme “*Library 5.0 and Human-Centered Digital Transformation*”, once again brought together more than 700 specialists from 37 foreign countries as one of Türkiye’s and the region’s most influential publishing and librarianship platforms. The event was held at the Presidential National Library upon the initiative of the President of the Republic of Türkiye, Recep Tayyip Erdoğan. The conference featured discussions on Library 5.0 and human-





centered digital transformation, preservation and permanent accessibility of digital content, artificial intelligence and ethics, the role of AI in academic libraries and publishing, strengthening cooperation with international publishers, professional challenges, and information equity. The opening session featured speeches by Ayhan Tuğlu, Director of Presidential Libraries Administration; İsmail Çetinkaya, President of ANKOS; and Erol Özvar, Minister of Education of Türkiye. This was followed by a presentation from Walid Hasan, Consulting Director at Clarivate, on the development of scientific research in Türkiye in the direction of Open Access. Presentations by other international companies and publishers continued over the following days. Participation of more than 10 representatives from AzLIC member university libraries of Azerbaijan was organized with the coordination of BSU's Scientific Library and AzLIC. The Azerbaijani delegation engaged in experience exchange with international colleagues and familiarized themselves with new trends and innovative approaches in librarianship. The official closing ceremony of the conference was held with the participation of the President of the Republic of Türkiye, Recep Tayyip Erdoğan.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ The international youth organization "AIESEC Azerbaijan" held an info session for students at Baku State University (BSU) at the initiative of the "BSU Volunteers" organization. The Head of the Department for Humanitarian Affairs and Youth Policy at BSU, Ramin Samadov, highlighted the significant role of AIESEC Azerbaijan's projects in the personal and professional development of young people. He also emphasized the contributions of the "BSU Volunteers" organization in supporting students' future careers and social activities. The Chair of the Marketing and Public Relations Committee of AIESEC Azerbaijan, Nazanin Mammadli, provided students with insights into the organization's core activities, international programs, and the process of joining AIESEC. She noted that AIESEC offers students volunteering opportunities abroad, paid internships, and leadership programs, which create valuable opportunities for personal growth, cultural exchange, and global networking. It is worth noting that AIESEC operates in nearly 130 countries and has been active in Azerbaijan since 2006. The organization's primary mission is to uncover young people's leadership potential, contribute to their development, and provide them with international experience through various programs.



**[For more information, please click here](#)**



- ❖ A meeting was held at Baku State University (BSU) with a delegation from the Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization (GEIDCO) of the People's Republic of China. The meeting was attended by BSU Vice-Rector for International Relations Shahin Panahov, Rector's Advisor on Quality Assurance Asiman Ilyasov, Head of the International Relations Department Rauf Hasanov, GEIDCO Deputy Director Xu Ming, General Manager of the Cooperation Department Yu Kaifeng, General Manager of the Membership Department Gao Ming, Senior Researcher at the Economics and Technology Research Institute Gao Chao, Director of the East Europe and Central Asia Office Xupeng Chen, and Office Representative Zhou Pengchao. During the meeting, the guests were provided with a comprehensive overview of the university's history, structure, academic and scientific activities. In turn, the GEIDCO representatives presented the main directions of the organization's work, emphasizing that the core mission of GEIDCO is to promote sustainable development in the global energy sector, meet the growing global energy demand with clean and green alternatives, and support the implementation of the UN's "Sustainable Energy for All" initiative and "Climate Action" goals. The parties also discussed potential collaboration on projects aimed at capacity building in higher education and joint efforts within the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It is worth noting that GEIDCO currently has 1,346 members from 142 countries, 7 regional offices, 72 national representative offices, and 6 regional committees.



[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Associate Professor Alamdar Jabbarli, Dean of the Faculty of Information and Document Management at Baku State University (BSU), visited Bartin University in the Republic of Türkiye. During the visit, the Dean met with the Rector of Bartin University, Professor Ahmet Akkaya. At the meeting, detailed information was provided about the educational environment in Azerbaijan, as well as the history and current development of BSU and its Faculty of Information and Document Management. It was noted that cooperation between the Department of Information and Document Management at Bartin University and the corresponding faculty at BSU has been developing across various platforms, including the organization of joint international scientific conferences, master classes, and academic seminars. Rector Ahmet Akkaya highly appreciated the partnership with BSU, one of the most prestigious higher





education institutions in Azerbaijan. The meeting was also attended by Associate Professor Ahmet Altay, Head of the Department of Information and Document Management at the Faculty of Literature of Bartın University. The parties exchanged views on further strengthening bilateral cooperation between the faculties, including expanding the scope of academic exchange programs, implementing joint projects, exploring the possibility of dual degree programs, and conducting collaborative scientific research. In addition, a proposal was put forward to organize a joint international student scientific conference hosted by Bartın University in March 2025.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ Baku State University (BSU) and Huawei have signed a cooperation memorandum. A delegation from BSU, led by the Rector, is on an official visit to China at the invitation of Huawei Technologies Co., LTD. During the visit, which also involved representatives of several other Azerbaijani universities, opportunities for collaboration in high technologies, artificial intelligence, and innovations in



higher education were discussed. The delegation visited the “Huawei Corporate Business Exhibition Hall” and the “5G and Artificial Intelligence Exhibition Hall” in Shenzhen, known as the city of technology. They were introduced to Huawei’s advanced technologies and received detailed information about the company’s applications in artificial intelligence, 5G and 5G-A, cloud technologies, and smart city solutions. The possibilities of applying advanced technologies and AI in education and research were also showcased. At the official meeting held at Huawei’s headquarters, attended by David Wang, Huawei’s Vice President for Corporate Communications, Angela Lin, Vice President for the Middle East and Central Asia, and other company representatives, discussions focused on “Artificial Intelligence” and “Intelligent Education” applications, as well as prospects for bilateral cooperation. Concrete steps were identified in areas such as partnerships with higher education institutions, student training and internship programs, joint projects, and the creation of innovative laboratories. As part of the visit, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between BSU and Huawei. The cooperation framework envisions the implementation of training and internship programs in technology and innovation for BSU students and researchers, conducting joint research in artificial intelligence and information and communication technologies within BSU faculties, expanding teaching and laboratory facilities in smart technologies and 5G infrastructure, and the potential establishment of joint innovation centers and support for the startup ecosystem. The delegation also held meetings at Huawei’s Research and Development



Campus in Dongguan, Dongguan University of Technology, and the Global Cybersecurity Transparency Center.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Baku State University (BSU) and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HUJI) announce admission to their joint dual Master's degree program. Are you ready to earn Master's degrees from two prestigious universities simultaneously? If you aspire to build an international career in the field of biotechnology, this opportunity is designed for you. HUJI, ranked among the Top 300 universities worldwide, is a leading center of education and research founded by Albert Einstein and renowned biochemist and Israel's first President, Chaim Weizmann.

#### Program Advantages

- The first year of study: Semester I at BSU, Semester II at HUJI
- Opportunity to obtain a HUJI Master's degree without a thesis defense (non-thesis track)
- Opportunity to continue the second year of study at BSU and earn two Master's diplomas

#### Eligibility Criteria

##### Applicants must:

- Hold a bachelor's degree in biology, Biology Teaching, Chemistry, Chemistry Teaching, Chemical Engineering, Physics, Physics Teaching, or Ecology
- Have a minimum GPA of 80 and above
- Provide proof of English proficiency (IELTS 6+ or TOEFL iBT 89+)
- Submit a letter of recommendation and a medical certificate

The program is implemented within the framework of the State Program approved by Presidential Decree No. 711 of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Baku State University (BSU) is participating in the 11th Baku International Book Fair organized by the Ministry of Culture. The exhibition, held at the Baku Expo Center, is dedicated to the theme “*Techno-Human: The Legend of Yesterday, the Phenomenon of Today*” and runs from October 1–7, 2025. At the exhibition, books, textbooks, and teaching materials published over the past two years by the university's faculty and preserved in BSU's Scientific Library are on display. In addition, the BSU Publishing House presents the recent four series of the “*News of Baku University*” journal, as well as conference proceedings,



textbooks, teaching aids, and monographs produced by the university's faculties. An informational video featuring the university's history, activities, and academic and pedagogical achievements is also screened at the stand. Visitors are provided with detailed information about the publications and receive BSU-branded printed materials such as notebooks, brochures, notepads, and pens as souvenirs.

BSU's participation in the exhibition promotes the university's scientific and educational potential to the broader public and creates opportunities for direct engagement with students and young book enthusiasts.

On the opening day, in the Baxtiyar Vahabzade and Uzeyir Hajibeyli presentation zones, the book "*Fidan Flowers*" authored by Majid Heydarli (Seyyid Asri), a staff member of the BSU Scientific Library, was also presented.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**



❖ Baku State University (BSU) actively provides expert advice to local, regional, and national government bodies. This engagement occurs through several avenues. One of these kinds of memorandum of cooperation was signed between Baku State University (BSU) and the Social Services Agency under the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of the Population. BSU's rector Elchin Babayev said that in recent years, there has been close cooperation with the National Academy of Sciences and its subordinate institutions. The rector noted that the Psychological Service Sector was established several years ago and is



successfully operating and our university conducts policy-focused research in collaboration with government agencies or institutions. The Faculty of Social Sciences and Psychology of BSU is one of the oldest faculties of the University. Elchin Babayev emphasized that it is necessary to consolidate the knowledge given in practice and it will benefit both institutions. Chairman of the Social Services Agency Vugar Behbudov gave detailed information about social services provided to vulnerable population groups. He noted that the Agency is constantly working to organize these services efficiently and effectively, and to increase accessibility to social services. In this regard, it is necessary to cooperate with higher education institutions that provide specialist training for social services. Also, special importance is given to the recruitment of young personnel specialized in this field. At present, 100 graduates of BSU and 24 graduates of master's level work in the Agency.



According to the memorandum, within the next 3 years, production and scientific-research experience programs will be organized in the Agency for undergraduate and graduate students of the higher education level in the relevant field of specialization. Also, specialists from both sides will participate in the preparation and implementation of joint social projects.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ A memorandum of understanding on cooperation was signed with the Biological Diversity Protection Service of the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources.

Speaking at the signing ceremony, BSU's rector Elchin Babayev said that the decision to hold the 29th session of the Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP29) in 2024 in Azerbaijan is a very important event. Azerbaijan's hosting of this prestigious event is one of the biggest victories of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev. This decision accepted by all the countries of the world is a clear example of the great trust and respect shown to our country. Declaring 2024 as the "Year of Solidarity for the Green World" in Azerbaijan will give further impetus to our country's work in this direction. All this imposes certain obligations on state institutions and higher education institutions. Rector also mentioned that the university conducts policy-focused research in collaboration with government agencies and institutions.

Rector expressed confidence that the signed memorandum will contribute to the state policy implemented in this field in the country.

Firuddin Aliyev, head of the Biological Diversity Protection Service, noted that all national parks and reserves in Azerbaijan have all conditions for conducting experiments and scientific research. To increase the efficiency of the educational process, BSU students can be organized to have experience and training in the Biological Diversity Protection Service. According to the memorandum of understanding, the employees of the structural divisions of the Service are expected to be involved in the educational process at BSU. Within the framework of joint cooperation, the work of involving BSU students studying ecology and environmental law in the preparation and implementation of environmental projects will be organized.

In the memorandum of understanding, implementation of international and national academic and scientific events and trainings, conferences, seminars, symposiums and lectures in the field of ecological law, as well as preparation of ethno-ecological and ecotourism-oriented programs for students, conducting joint scientific research, organizing exhibitions, summer





camps is also intended. BSU actively engages in policy-focused research in collaboration with government departments and agencies. The university conducts joint research initiatives with various governmental bodies, contributing to evidence-based policy development and addressing national priorities. For instance, BSU has signed memoranda of understanding with entities such as the Biological Diversity Protection Service and the Center for Analysis of Economic Reforms and Communication, aiming to foster collaboration in research, innovation, and sustainable development.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ The opening ceremony of the First International Conference and Autumn School of the Turkic World on Artificial Intelligence Ethics was held at Baku State University, jointly organized by Baku State University, the International Turkic Academy, and the Turkish Academy of Sciences. In his opening remarks, BDU Rector Elchin Babayev stated that the 21st century represents a turning point for humanity. As technologies advance, artificial intelligence systems are expanding the boundaries of human thinking. However, the true power of this technology emerges when it is guided by ethics and applied in a human-centered and responsible manner. He emphasized that discussing the ethical dimensions of artificial intelligence is not only a scientific issue but also a moral and national responsibility. The Rector noted that the “Artificial Intelligence Strategy of the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2025–2028,” signed by President Ilham Aliyev, defines key directions for the country’s future development, including the responsible and ethical use of AI, transparency, fairness, reliability, and a human-centered approach as fundamental principles of state policy. He highlighted that BDU, with its more than a century-long history, has established a Department of Artificial Intelligence Ethics in cooperation with the International Turkic Academy and plans to expand international research collaboration with universities in Türkiye, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, and other countries.



President of the Turkish Academy of Sciences, Professor Muzaffer Şeker, emphasized that AI technologies are now at the center of global politics and economics, making ethical, legal, and cultural research in this field essential for ensuring that the Turkic world secures its rightful place in global competition. Ambassador of Türkiye to Azerbaijan Birol Akgün highlighted the special importance of AI ethics initiatives for the Turkic world, noting that discussions held during the conference would contribute not only to Turkic states but also to friendly and allied countries. Chairman of the Board of the Innovation and Digital Development Agency Farid Osmanov and Professor Muazzam Ali Khan Khattak, Director of the Al-Farabi Center for Artificial





Intelligence and Cybersecurity at Quaid-i-Azam University, also addressed the event, stressing the importance of joint initiatives in AI ethics. The event concluded with an artistic composition prepared by BDU's Cultural and Creative Center.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ On October 23, 2024, the Rector of Baku State University (BSU), Elchin Babayev, met with the Faculty of Mechanics and Mathematics fourth-year students Vüqar Quliyev and Amil Cəbiyev, who achieved success at the International Mathematics Olympiad held in Bulgaria. During the meeting, the Rector congratulated the students on their outstanding performance and highlighted the university's growing emphasis on supporting and encouraging participation in olympiads by students in applied sciences. He emphasized that special



attention is paid to involvement in competitions and to motivating both teachers and olympiad leaders, stating that this remains one of BSU's primary priorities. At the International Mathematics Olympiad, Vüqar Quliyev won first place and received a gold medal, while Amil Cəbiyev placed third and earned a bronze medal. The competition was organized jointly by the American University in Bulgaria and University College London in the city of Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria, from August 5 to 11. Additionally, both students were also winners of the Republican Mathematics Olympiad held at BSU in honor of the 101st anniversary of the birth of National Leader Heydar Aliyev.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Baku State University (BSU) and the Astana International University of the Republic of Kazakhstan have signed a Memorandum of Understanding. The document was signed by BSU Rector Elchin Babayev and Astana International University Rector Serik Irsaliyev. The memorandum outlines cooperation aimed at enhancing teaching and learning processes within the faculties, institutes, and colleges of both universities and aligning them with international standards. It includes the implementation of joint projects, conferences, exhibitions, seminars, symposia, short-term courses, and training programs, as well as conducting collaborative scientific research. The agreement also covers joint publications in academic journals, the development of joint academic programs, curricula, and syllabi, the organization of training sessions, and the exchange of academic and administrative staff, students, master's students, doctoral candidates, and researchers. Established in 2024, Astana International University is among Kazakhstan's prominent higher education institutions.

[For more information, please click here](#)



- ❖ A Memorandum of Understanding on cooperation has been signed between Baku State University (BSU) and Kazakhstan's International Engineering Technological University. The document was signed by BSU Rector Elchin Babayev and Rector of the International Engineering Technological University Darkhan Akpanbetov. The memorandum envisages the implementation of joint projects aimed at improving and aligning the teaching and learning processes at the faculties, institutes, and colleges of both universities with international standards. Within this framework, the organization of conferences, exhibitions, seminars, symposiums, short-term courses, and training programs, as well as the conduct of joint scientific research, is planned. The agreement also covers joint publications in scientific journals, the development of shared academic programs, curricula, and syllabi, the delivery of joint training activities, and the mutual exchange of academic and administrative staff, undergraduate and graduate students, doctoral candidates, and researchers. Founded in 2001, the International Engineering Technological University is ranked in the 1001–1200 range of the QS World University Rankings.



**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ A delegation led by the Rector of Baku State University (BSU), Elchin Babayev, paid an official visit to Anhui Agricultural University in China. During the bilateral meeting, the parties discussed opportunities for establishing strategic cooperation in the fields of education and scientific research. Rector Elchin Babayev and President of Anhui Agricultural University Cao Haiqun explored prospects for academic collaboration at the bachelor's, master's, and doctoral levels, joint scientific research projects, faculty and student exchange programs, shared use of resources in agricultural research, the organization of seminars and conferences, and the implementation of mutual innovation initiatives. The meeting also included a review of existing material and technical facilities, laboratories, and scientific infrastructure, followed by the identification of cooperation plans in various formats. At the conclusion of the meeting, the parties signed a Memorandum of Understanding.



**[For more information, please click here](#)**



- ❖ On June 24, 2025, Advisor to the Rector of Baku State University (BSU) on Digitalization and Information Technologies, Shabnam Safarova, represented BSU at the international panel titled “Reimagining Higher Education in the Islamic World: Innovation, Sustainability, and Global Impact.” The panel was held within the framework of the **6th Vice Chancellors’ Forum of Universities in the Islamic World (VC Forum 2025)** in Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco. The event was organized by the Islamic World Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ICESCO), the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan, and in



partnership with BSU. During the panel discussions, participants addressed topics such as maintaining national values in the process of aligning higher education with international standards, designing curriculum models that preserve traditional values, ensuring quality assurance, and establishing mutual recognition mechanisms between universities. In her speech, Shabnam Safarova provided an overview of BSU’s recent development strategies. She highlighted the university’s achievements in international collaboration, digital and green transformation, and scientific research. She noted that BSU’s ranking at **688th in the QS World University Rankings** and its placement among the **Top 600 universities globally according to Times Higher Education (THE)** demonstrates the university’s successful integration into the global academic and scientific landscape. Safarova emphasized that while navigating globalization, countries in the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) remain committed to preserving traditional approaches. Within this context, initiatives such as mutual diploma recognition, the creation of joint quality assurance frameworks, the development of collaborative digital platforms, and the expansion of student and faculty mobility programs are of critical importance. In conclusion, she stressed that higher education is not only a medium for knowledge transmission but also a powerful tool for shaping the moral and intellectual framework of future generations. Therefore, universities in the Islamic world must not only participate in globalization but also serve as carriers and creators of universal values.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Baku State University (BSU) participated with a stand at the “*Times Higher Education (THE) Eurasian Universities Summit*”, held in Baku on September 24–25 with the support of the Ministry of Science and Education, the State Agency for Science and Higher Education, and the international ranking agency THE. This year’s summit, dedicated to the theme “*Transnational Research: From Knowledge to Global Impact*”, brought together over 300 participants from more than 20 countries, 150 higher education institutions, and more than 50 international and local speakers. Discussions focused on global research



collaborations, universities' contributions to socio-economic development, and the role of higher education in achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Within the summit, BSU's stand provided participants with comprehensive information about the university's scientific achievements, international collaborations, initiatives in sustainable development, and future strategic goals. Visitors learned about BSU's educational and research opportunities, participation in international projects, and its position within the global academic network. BSU's representation with a stand at this prestigious event contributes to strengthening the university's international ranking, expanding partnership opportunities, and promoting Azerbaijan's higher education system on the global stage.

[For more information, please click here](#)



- ❖ An International Scientific Conference on the topic "Application of Modern Equipment and Methods in Improving Food and Water Security" is being held at Baku State University (BSU), organized jointly by BSU, "Bayramli Group" LLC, and Germany's "AnalytikJena" company. In the opening ceremony of the conference, BSU's Rector Elchin Babayev stated that this important event provides an opportunity to discuss the globally relevant issues of food and water security and demonstrates the successful implementation of public-private partnerships in the country. Ensuring food and water security in Azerbaijan is one of the priorities of state policy. Large-scale reforms are being carried out in this area to implement modern technologies, align food safety standards with international requirements, and improve monitoring mechanisms. BSU, as part of these processes, contributes to the development of the country in collaboration with industry and business partners. The Rector emphasized that the "Ekomekan" and ECOLEAD Clinics established at BSU serve the application of new approaches in the fields of food and water security, solving ecological problems, and efficient use of natural resources. Cavid Bayramli, the founder and director of "Bayramli Group" LLC, expressed confidence that the conference, a successful example of public-private partnership, would contribute to the development of food and water security in the country and wished success to the event. He mentioned that "Bayramli Group" is engaged in the establishment, design, and supply of molecular biology laboratories in Azerbaijan, Turkey, Georgia, Central Asia, and Arab countries. The company successfully

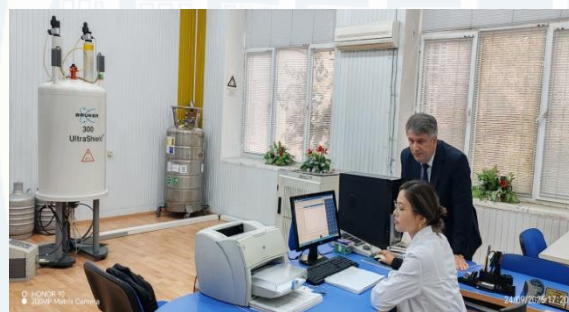




carries out projects in cooperation with various organizations, including BSU, within the framework of public-private collaboration. During the scientific session of the conference, the regional manager of "AnalytikJena" company, Marina Mukhina, presented a report titled "AnalytikJena - Leader in Innovative Development in Analytical Equipment." Other presentations included "Atomic Absorption with Continuous Spectral Source: ContrAA Series Atomic Absorption Spectrometers. The conference discusses the application of methods such as atomic absorption spectroscopy, ICP-MS, and TOC/TN analysis, as well as innovative approaches in areas such as food quality control, waste management, and solving ecological problems. The conference continues with scientific presentations.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ The dual degree program between Baku State University (BSU) and Satbayev Kazakh National Research Technical University (KazNRTU) is successfully continuing. At BSU, continuous efforts are being made to align the content and quality indicators of education with international standards and to enhance global competitiveness through dual degree programs with several leading universities worldwide. One such project is the joint dual master's degree program in "Petrochemistry" carried out between BSU and KazNRTU. The purpose of the project is to train specialists with comprehensive knowledge, modern thinking, problem-solving skills, and the ability to apply theoretical knowledge to practice in the fields of oil and gas chemistry, fuels, and the synthesis of technically significant substances from natural hydrocarbon resources. It should be noted that KazNRTU provides high-level bachelor's, master's, and doctoral training in petrochemistry and chemical engineering. The university ranks 331st in the QS World University Rankings and 64th in the QS ECCA Rankings. The university operates 114 educational and research laboratories and collaborates with 174 leading higher education institutions and 450 prestigious companies worldwide. According to the cooperation agreement on the dual degree program between BSU and KazNRTU, two graduates were trained during the 2022/2023 academic year. At present, the program continues successfully. For example, Günel Rustamli, a master's student in Petrochemistry at the Department of Petrochemistry and Chemical Technology of KazNRTU's Faculty of Chemistry, and Aidana Iskander, a KazNRTU master's student pursuing education at BSU, are continuing their studies and conducting research for their dissertation topics.



**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ An online meeting was held between Baku State University (BSU) and the Baku Regional Office of the Islamic World Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ICESCO) to



explore opportunities for expanding cooperation. Participants included Mahir Pirquliyev, Head of the Rector's Secretariat at BSU; Alakbar Khidirov, Manager of ICESCO's regional office; and Aytan Eyvazzade, interpreter and commentator of the regional office. The parties discussed the organization of an international conference on *"The Role of Translation"* planned to be held in Baku later this year. The conference aims to bring together experts from ICESCO member states and Central Asia, highlighting the importance of translation in promoting shared values, intercultural dialogue, and sustainable development. The meeting also covered one of ICESCO's key educational initiatives, the *"International Language Teaching Program in Arabic"*. This program is designed to address the needs of member states that do not speak Arabic and will be implemented in Azerbaijan with the participation of BSU. Its objectives include enhancing the potential of educators and Arabic language teachers, improving teaching methods and language skills, and supporting the development of curricula aligned with modern pedagogical, linguistic, and technological standards.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Representatives of the National Academy of Modernization under the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences of the People's Republic of China visited Baku State University (BSU). The delegation was provided with comprehensive information about the history of BSU, its scientific research and educational activities, as well as its international relations. It was noted that BSU, the country's largest and oldest higher education institution, currently offers education in 78 undergraduate majors,



243 master's specializations, and 131 doctoral programs. With more than 25,000 students, the University comprises 120 departments, 2 research institutes, 22 research laboratories, and 5 research centers. BSU maintains close cooperation with higher education institutions in China,



implements dual-degree programs, and is interested in further expanding collaboration with Chinese scientific institutions across various fields. The guests spoke about the main areas of activity of the National Academy of Modernization under the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, noting that the Academy conducts research on the Chinese model of modernization, its theory and history, comparative analyses with other countries, and studies in social and economic fields. It was emphasized that Azerbaijan plays an important role both in the context of the ancient Silk Road and the modern “Belt and Road” Initiative. In this regard, cooperation with BSU, as Azerbaijan’s leading university, would be beneficial for conducting research on various aspects of modernization, as well as social and economic policy. The meeting included discussions on multiple areas of cooperation, during which concrete proposals were put forward.



[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ A competition-exhibition titled “*EcoDay-2025*” was held at Baku State University (BSU) in honor of **June 5 – World Environment Day**, organized by the “Bioteam” club of the Faculty of Biology. The event aimed to raise ecological awareness among students, emphasize the importance of recycling, and strengthen a sense of environmental responsibility in youth. Participants included the Dean of the Faculty of Biology, Afət Məmmədova; Head of the Department of Humanitarian Affairs and Youth Policy, Ramin Səmədov; Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Physics, Vüsal Məmmədov; department heads, faculty members, and students. Over 20 handmade projects were exhibited, primarily crafted from recyclable materials. Many of the artworks were created using natural dyes, further emphasizing the ecological theme and drawing great interest from attendees. While students had creative freedom, they were required to submit a written explanation and a list of materials used for their work. Based on the jury’s decision and anonymous voting by participants, the winners were announced as follows:
  - **1st place:** Zeynab Abdullayeva (2nd-year student, Faculty of Biology) for “*Pacific Ocean, Silent Storm*”
  - **2nd place:** Kenan Huseynzada for “*The Revived Battery*”
  - **3rd place:** Aishanur Mayilzada, Gunash Ibrahimli, Huseyn Mammadzada, and Sama Huseynova (Faculty of Physics) for “*Spectrometer*”

Speakers at the event drew attention to the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, particularly Goal 12: *Responsible Consumption and Production*. It was noted that achieving these goals is not only the duty of producers but also consumers. Food waste, plastic pollution, and unsustainable consumption habits are pressing environmental and societal challenges today. Therefore, fostering ecological thinking and behavioral change is essential.



In addition to giving students a platform to showcase their creativity, *EcoDay-2025* encouraged them to take a more active role in promoting environmental responsibility and building a sustainable and green future.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Baku State University (BDU) has signed an Erasmus exchange protocol with the West University of Timisoara in Romania as part of its strategy to strengthen bilateral and multilateral cooperation with leading international scientific and educational institutions and to promote academic and research exchange. Within the framework of the agreement, exchange opportunities will be provided for undergraduate and graduate students, researchers,



and academic staff. Founded in 1944, the West University of Timisoara ranks 52nd in the QS Europe University Rankings. The university comprises 11 faculties and provides education to nearly 16,000 students.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ A training session titled “Study Abroad: Your Dream, Your Goal” was organized for students at Baku State University (BSU) by members of the Chemistry Faculty of the “BSU Volunteers” organization in cooperation with the “You will speak” English Language Center. Taleh Gahramanov, Deputy Dean for Social Affairs and Student Relations of the Faculty of Chemistry, spoke about the impact of studying abroad



on students’ personal and professional development. He emphasized that learning foreign languages is a key tool for benefiting from global opportunities and highlighted the importance of continuous effort and acquiring new knowledge to achieve personal goals. Later, Gunay



Rasulova, founder and director of the “You will speak” English Language Center, delivered a practical and motivational presentation on studying abroad. She discussed the preparation stages for studying overseas, key factors to consider when selecting universities, financial planning, and scholarship opportunities. She also provided guidance on the required application documents, including writing motivation letters, and shared her personal experiences with the participants.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ On 18 August 2025, Baku State University (BSU) launched an international expert meeting of the Working Group on “Systems, Signals and Services” (Working Group S), organized by the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and the International Committee on Global Navigation Satellite Systems (ICG). The five-day event brings together experts from leading space agencies, government bodies, research centers, and prestigious international organizations to discuss the development prospects of global navigation satellite systems (GNSS). The main goal of the meeting is to exchange expertise on current challenges in satellite navigation, new technological opportunities, and future cooperation directions. Discussions will cover issues such as reducing global interference, harmonizing signals, improving service quality, integrating time and accuracy standards, LEO-PNT technologies, and spectrum compatibility for lunar missions. Experts from the United States, China, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Croatia, New Zealand, and other countries, as well as representatives from UNOOSA, BSU, and several European institutions, are participating in the sessions. The meeting agenda includes parallel sessions on various topics. The opening day features sessions on “International GNSS Monitoring and Assessment” (IGMA) and “Time Standards.” In the following days, sessions will address “Detection and Mitigation of Interference,” “Compatibility and Spectrum Protection,” “Civil Signal Authentication,” “Space Debris Mitigation,” “LEO-PNT Technologies,” and other key areas. Additionally, the event includes presentations by GNSS system providers, experience sharing among countries, and the adoption of new recommendations. At the conclusion, the Working Group will prepare new decisions and recommendations to be submitted to relevant international bodies. Hosting such a prestigious international event highlights the growing role of Azerbaijan’s scientific and educational community in global cooperation.



[For more information, please click here](#)



❖ A delegation from the Beijing University of Chemical Technology, China, led by Vice Dean Yu Yuen and comprising faculty members and doctoral students, visited Baku State University (BSU). The guests met with BSU Rector Elchin Babayev, who highlighted the high-level political, economic, scientific, and cultural relations between Azerbaijan and China. He emphasized the university's close collaboration with Chinese higher education institutions and stressed the importance of implementing joint projects with Beijing University of Chemical Technology to further strengthen these ties. During the meeting, the prospects for scientific and academic cooperation between the two universities were discussed. As part of the visit, the delegation toured BSU's "Eco Space," "Student Space," Student Scientific-Technical Creativity Center, and the Confucius Institute. They also received information about ongoing work in the Nano Research Laboratory, Materials Science Laboratory, and other research labs, and were introduced to scientific research conducted at the Chemistry Faculty, including the nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) equipment. At the Student Development Center, a meeting was held between BSU Chemistry Faculty staff, doctoral students, and representatives from Beijing University of Chemical Technology. Video presentations about the history and activities of both universities were shown. Chinese doctoral students shared information about their research, and a fruitful exchange of ideas took place.



[For more information, please click here](#)

❖ An international forum titled "The History of Teaching the Arabic Language in the Caucasus and Central Asia" has been held at Baku State University (BSU). At the initiative of the King Salman Global Academy for Arabic Language, August 2025 was declared the "Month of the Arabic Language" in Azerbaijan. Within this framework, BSU organized the international forum dedicated to discussing the historical development of Arabic language education in the Caucasus and





Central Asia. The forum was jointly organized by BSU and the King Salman Global Academy for Arabic Language. Representatives from several regional universities also participated in the event, including Al-Farabi Kazakh National University in Kazakhstan, Bishkek State University in Kyrgyzstan, Tajik National University in Tajikistan, and Tbilisi State University in Georgia. The main objective of the forum was to discuss the history and development trends of Arabic language teaching in the Caucasus and Central Asia, strengthen inter-university cooperation, and establish new scientific and cultural partnerships. During the discussions, representatives from participating countries presented the history of Arabic language education at their respective universities, highlighting achievements and current practices in the field. Within the Azerbaijani context, speakers emphasized the traditions and modern approaches to Arabic language education at BSU. Presentations from regional universities also highlighted the role of the Arabic language in advancing scientific and cultural cooperation. The forum emphasized that Arabic is not only a means of communication but also serves as a cultural bridge and a platform for academic collaboration among nations. Speakers also noted the importance of further strengthening humanitarian relations between the Arab world and countries of Azerbaijan and Central Asia. At the conclusion of the forum, participating universities agreed to expand cooperation through joint research projects, student and faculty exchange programs, international conferences, and collaborative educational initiatives in the future.



[For more information, please click here](#)



- ❖ The Director of the National Library of Turkey, Ayhan Tuğlu, visited the Faculty of Information and Document Management at Baku State University (BSU). During the meeting, Ayhan Tuğlu was provided with detailed information about the education environment in Azerbaijan, the history and status of BSU, and the faculty itself. Discussions focused on enhancing collaboration between the National Library of Turkey and the faculty, organizing joint scientific conferences and masterclasses, and providing opportunities for faculty students to gain practical experience at the National Library.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**



- ❖ On September 2, the second day of the UN Local Conference of Youth on Climate Change – “LCOY Azerbaijan 2025” was held, organized by the “EkoSfera” Ecological-Social Center, in partnership with Baku State University (BSU) and “SEA BREEZE Resort,” with media support from the Caspian International Broadcasting Company (CBC). During the second day of “LCOY Azerbaijan 2025,” the Representative of the President of Azerbaijan on Climate Issues and



COP29 President, Mukhtar Babayev, emphasized that hosting COP29 in Azerbaijan is a significant historic milestone in global climate diplomacy. He stressed the necessity of youth’s active engagement in this process, noting that Azerbaijani youth initiatives on the climate agenda would resonate not only at the national level but also on the international stage, contributing to shaping global policy. He also highlighted the role of BSU in structuring climate change and sustainable development activities and ensuring active youth participation in this field. Deputy Minister of Youth and Sports Indira Hajiyeva, Member of Parliament and Executive Vice-Rector of ADA University Fariz Ismayilzade, Chairman of the Icherisheher State Historical-Architectural Reserve Administration Rufat Mahmud, representative of the State Water Resources Agency of Azerbaijan Tural Abbasov, and Head of the “EkoSfera”



Ecological-Social Center and COP29 Organizing Committee member Firusa Sultan-zade emphasized in their speeches the crucial role of youth in addressing climate issues and building a sustainable future. Later, panel discussions were held on “*Climate and a Sustainable Future: Youth’s Perspective*” and “*Climate Change and Sustainable Infrastructure.*” The sessions covered topics such as circular economy and eco-innovation, biodiversity and ecosystem restoration, Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) principles, creating value from waste, social justice, green jobs, water security, and the role of NGOs.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ As part of the Memorandum of Understanding on cooperation between Baku State University (BSU) and Kırşehir Ahi Evran University of Turkey, a four-day training program on the topic of “Quality Assurance System in Higher Education” has been launched. The initiative is supported by the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TİKA) and organized by BSU’s Quality Assurance Center. The training sessions are conducted by experienced experts from Kırşehir Ahi Evran University. In addition to BSU, representatives from Azerbaijan State University of Economics, Azerbaijan Technical University, Khazar University, and Ganja State University are also participating in the program. At the opening of the training, Asiman İlyasov, Advisor to the BSU Rector on Quality Assurance, emphasized the importance of establishing effective and sustainable quality assurance systems in universities and highlighted the value of international collaboration in this area. Following that, Hüseyin Şimşek, Vice-Rector of Kırşehir Ahi Evran University, provided detailed insight into the objectives and goals of the training, underlining the significance of mutual exchange of experience in higher education between Azerbaijan and Turkey. This initiative represents a significant contribution to strengthening strategic cooperation in the field of higher education between Azerbaijan and Turkey, while promoting continuous development and experience-sharing in quality assurance practices.

[For more information, please click here](#)





- ❖ Within the framework of the “*Times Higher Education (THE) Eurasian Universities Summit*” held in Baku with the support of the Ministry of Science and Education and the State Agency for Science and Higher Education, Baku State University (BSU) Rector **Elchin Babayev** participated as a panelist in the discussion titled “*Reimagining University–Society Partnerships.*” The panel focused on rethinking the partnerships between universities and society, developing sustainable and effective educational initiatives, the role of higher education institutions in supporting local economic development, and the importance of partnerships based on mutual benefit. In his speech, Rector Babayev emphasized that universities should not be limited to education and research alone but should also contribute to the social and economic development of society. He highlighted various initiatives implemented by BSU in this area, including cooperation projects with local communities and strategies supporting sustainable regional development. The panel was moderated by Thomas Auf der Heyde, Vice President of Constructor University, Germany, with Sibille Reichert, Founder and Director of Reichert Higher Education Consulting, also participating as a panelist. BSU’s participation in the summit contributes significantly to expanding the university’s international cooperation opportunities and integrating global experiences into the local higher education system.



**For more information, please click here**

- ❖ On January 14, the head of the "Bilim Bakı" Center and the official representative of "TEKNOFEST" in Azerbaijan, Ahmet Köse, will meet with students of Baku State University (BSU). "TEKNOFEST," the world's largest space, aviation, and technology festival, will be held this year from May 1 to 4 in the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus (TRNC). The festival will feature hundreds of teams from Turkey and other countries competing in 7 main and 14 subcategories. Participants will receive over 5 million Turkish lira in prizes and financial support. Additionally, "TEKNOFEST-2025" will take place in a larger and more traditional format this September in Istanbul, Turkey. Ahmet Köse will provide information about "TEKNOFEST-TRNC" and answer questions from BSU teams participating in the competition.





[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ The 3rd EMIDWORLD International Conference on Economics, Public Finance, Business and Social Sciences, jointly organized by Baku State University (BSU) and Turkey's Kilis 7 Aralık University, has concluded. At the closing ceremony, it was emphasized that the participation of scholars and researchers from 33 countries, along with representatives of government institutions and business organizations, transformed the conference into an important platform for scientific dialogue on both regional and global levels. The event highlighted future plans aimed at expanding the existing cooperation between Baku State University and Kilis 7 Aralık University, including the implementation of joint empirical research, preparation of collaborative publications, and more active involvement of young researchers in these processes. Based on the discussions held within the framework of the conference, several recommendation-based conclusions were formed concerning the sustainable development of the economy, transparent management of public finance, green transition, social equality and innovative governance models. During the closing ceremony, certificates were presented to speakers and session moderators. Speakers noted that the conference contributes to further deepening the strategic alliance between Turkey and Azerbaijan in the fields of science and education, paving the way for new directions of scientific cooperation.



[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ A special panel was organized for the staff of the Faculty of Information and Document Management of Baku State University at Bartın University, on the 5th anniversary of the establishment of the Information and Document Management Department. In the opening speech, Ahmet Altay, head of Bartın University's Information and Document Management Department, emphasized that bilateral cooperation has been developing across various platforms, noting that joint international scientific conferences, masterclasses, and scientific seminars have been held, and discussed prospects for future collaboration. At the panel chaired by Hasan Keseroğlu,

 **PANEL** 

**Teoriden Uygulamaya Azerbaycan'da Bilgi ve Belge Yönetimi Disiplini**

Panel Yöneticisi: Prof. Dr. Hasan Sacit KESEROĞLU

 **Doç. Dr. Parviz KAZIMI**

 **Doç. Dr. Alimdar CABBARLI**  
Bakü Dövlət Universiteti Bilgi və Belge Yönetimi Fakültəsi Dekanı

 **Nəbilə MƏMMƏDZADƏ**



professor at Kastamonu University, the dean of BDU's Faculty of Information and Document Management, Alemdar Jabbarli, congratulated the department on its 5th anniversary. In his presentation titled "Information and Document Management in Azerbaijan: From Theory to Practice", he provided detailed information about the faculty's history, development stages, and the currently offered programs in Library and Information Studies, as well as Museum, Archival Work, and Heritage Preservation.

At the panel, other speakers included:

- Parviz Kazimi, who presented on Information Engineering.
- Reshad Qardashov, who shared information on higher education in librarianship in Azerbaijan.
- Nabibe Mammadzada, who provided insights on student life and student organizations.

[For more information, please click here](#)



❖ The III International Scientific Conference titled "*Conservation of Eurasian Biodiversity: Contemporary Challenges, Solutions and Prospects*" was held on 16–18 October 2025 at the Karakalpak Scientific Research Institute of Natural Sciences in Nukus, Karakalpakstan Autonomous Republic, Republic of Uzbekistan. The conference was jointly organized by Andijan State University (Uzbekistan), Ege University (Türkiye), and Baku State University (Azerbaijan). The primary objective of the event was to strengthen scientific cooperation across Eurasia, particularly among Turkic states, to revive research traditions, and to promote the development of new scientific approaches to biodiversity conservation. Baku State University was represented by Professor Rovshan Khalilov, Head of the Department of Biophysics and Biochemistry at the Faculty of Biology. In his plenary presentation, Professor Khalilov addressed research conducted by Azerbaijani scientists in the field of biodiversity conservation and highlighted the importance of international scientific cooperation and exchange of experience. He also chaired sectional sessions of the conference and held meetings with representatives of scientific institutions from Uzbekistan, Türkiye, Kyrgyzstan, and Kazakhstan, reaching agreements on the establishment of new collaborative partnerships. The conference was also attended by Professor Gulnara Azizova, Head of the Department of Biological Chemistry at Azerbaijan Medical University. Extensive discussions were conducted within the framework of the conference on topics





including biodiversity conservation in Eurasia, sustainable use of flora and fauna, ecosystem restoration, protection of rare and endangered species, as well as the application of modern methods of environmental monitoring and assessment. The Organizing Committee decided that the IV International Scientific Conference will be held in October 2026 at Baku State University.

[For more information, please click here](#)

- ❖ Agreement signed between Baku State University and Anhui University of China on dual degree program on 15 December 2025, Baku State University (BSU) and Anhui University, China signed an agreement on the implementation of dual master's degree programs in "Optoelectronics," "Semiconductor Devices and Technologies," and "Microelectronics and Nanoelectronics." The agreement aims to strengthen academic cooperation between the two universities and expand international education opportunities for students. Within the framework of the dual degree programs, students enrolled in the relevant master's specializations will study at both BSU and Anhui University, benefiting from advanced educational and research opportunities in both countries. The programs will provide students with modern knowledge and practical skills in optoelectronics, semiconductor devices and technologies, as well as microelectronics and nano electronics. At the signing ceremony, both parties emphasized the significance of the program and highlighted the strategic importance of enhancing joint educational and research opportunities. BSU Rector Elchin Babayev noted that this initiative will expand international experience and research opportunities for BSU students, while Yu Baotao, Chairman of the Board of Anhui University, stated that the program will further develop cooperation between Chinese and Azerbaijani universities across various fields. The implementation of these dual master's programs will contribute significantly to strengthening scientific and academic relations between the two universities, providing students with advanced education and research opportunities, and preparing qualified specialists capable of responding to modern challenges. [For more information, please click here](#)





- ❖ A master class titled “*Synthesis, Structure, and Application Areas of Metal Aryl Carboxylate Complexes in the Presence of Nicotinamide*” was delivered at the Faculty of Chemistry by Professor Dr. Hacalı Necefoglu of Kars Caucasus University (Türkiye). Opening the event, Dean of the Faculty Fuad Karimov welcomed the guest and emphasized that cooperation with Turkish universities, the development of joint projects, as well as the implementation of master’s and doctoral student exchange programs, are among the key priorities of the day. He noted that multifaceted work is currently being carried out at the faculty in these directions. Professor Dr. Necefoglu, in his remarks, shared that he had previously been affiliated with the Faculty of Chemistry of Baku State University before continuing his academic career in Türkiye, and he reflected on his professional journey. He also provided information on collaboration opportunities and prospects with his current university. In the main part of his lecture, the speaker discussed the synthesis of various heteroatom-containing complexes, structural analyses of synthesized single crystals, experimental testing in different application areas, and the publication of research findings in prestigious scientific journals. The master class concluded with an interactive discussion and a question-and-answer session.



**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ Baku State University (BSU) and Satbayev University, one of Kazakhstan's prestigious higher education institutions, organized an online training on the topic of "Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Higher Education Institutions" as part of their ongoing collaboration. The training was organized by the BSU Quality Assurance Center. During the opening of the training, Asiman Ilyasov, the Advisor to the Rector of BSU on Quality Assurance, emphasized the importance of inter-university partnerships, highlighting that such initiatives make a significant contribution to strengthening the academic and institutional potential of higher education institutions. He also provided information about the activities carried out at BSU in recent years to integrate SDGs into teaching and research processes. As part of the training, presentations were made by Aliya Jaksılıkova, the Head of the Project Office on Sustainable Development Goals at Satbayev University, Rustam Axmetov, the Manager, and Emil Andekin, the Head of the Institutional and Scientific-Methodological Research Department. The presentations highlighted the crucial role of integrating SDGs in shaping the position of higher education institutions in international rankings. The training continued with interactive discussions.





Participants exchanged views on the integration of SDGs into teaching, research, and public service activities, as well as best practices in this area.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**

- ❖ Shehla Hamidova, one of the first graduates of the “Biotechnology” program at the Faculty of Biology of Baku State University (BSU), has been admitted to a master’s program at Korea University, one of South Korea’s most prestigious higher education institutions. She will continue her studies in the field of “Public Health (Community Health and Social Epidemiology).” Shehla Hamidova is a recipient of the Global Korea Scholarship (GKS), an international full scholarship program offered by the Republic of Korea. Out of more than one hundred applicants, only five were selected for the program. The GKS program fully funds all expenses, including four semesters of tuition, a monthly stipend of approximately 1260 AZN, health insurance, travel expenses, and visa support. Korea University is ranked 61st globally in the “QS World University Rankings 2026.” Shehla Hamidova completed her undergraduate education with a GPA of 92.32. She is proficient in English and Korean at the C1 level.

**[For more information, please click here](#)**

## CONCLUSION

In summary, these achievements underline BSU’s vision to be a leading institution in education, research, and innovation.

By fostering international collaboration, supporting transformative projects, and preparing future leaders, BSU strengthens its role as a driver of scientific progress, societal development, and global excellence in higher education.

These initiatives create meaningful opportunities for students, faculty, and researchers to engage in knowledge exchange, innovative research, and professional growth.





17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



## SDG FOCUSED MEMBERSHIPS





17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



# SDG FOCUSED RANKING RESULTS



## Rated for Excellence

# Baku State University

Through rigorous and independent data collection and analysis of performance metrics as set out in the QS Stars™ methodology Baku State University has been awarded 5 Stars.

- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
TEACHING
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
EMPLOYABILITY
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
FACILITIES
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
GOOD GOVERNANCE
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT
- ★ ★ ★ ★ ★  
CHEMISTRY

### QS Stars

The QS Stars™ rating system evaluates universities across a wide spectrum of important performance indicators as set against pre-established international standards. By assessing a broader scope of criteria than any world ranking exercise, QS Stars™ illuminates the unique strengths and diversity of the rated institution with both precision and clarity.

Leigh Kamolins, Head of Evaluation



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



UNIVERSITAS INDONESIA

Yenike, Progres, Justitia | Et Aky

UI GreenMetric World University Rankings 2025

# CERTIFICATE

This certificate is awarded to  
**Baku State University**  
as The 493<sup>rd</sup> World's Most Sustainable University  
in 2025 UI GreenMetric World University Rankings

5 December 2025

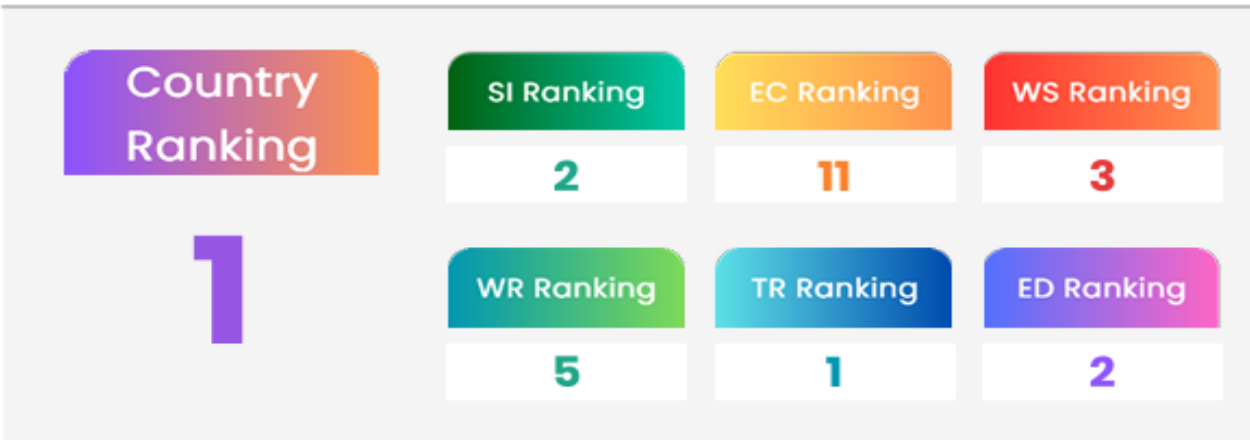


**Dr. Vishnu Juwono, S.E., MIA**  
Chairperson of UI GreenMetric





#### 4. RANKING IN AZERBAIJAN



#### 2. RESULTS SUMMARY



#### 3. WORLD RANKINGS HISTORY





## UNIVERSITY PROFILE

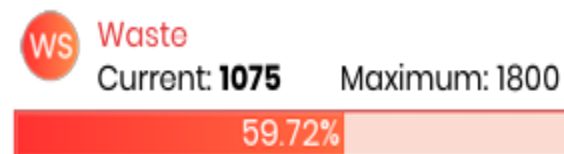
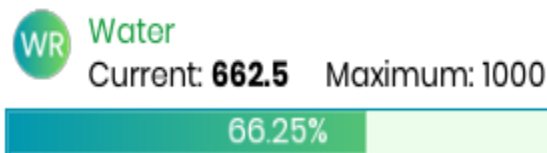
NAME : BAKU STATE UNIVERSITY  
 EST. : 1919  
 COUNTRY : AZERBAIJAN

### 1. VERIFIED DATA

#### Campus Sustainability Scores

Overall Performance  
**68.75 %**

Total Score  
**6875 / 10000**





17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



# THE Impact Rankings 2025

Download

OVERALL SCORE

**71.8** out of 100

OVERALL RANK

**401-600** out of 2318 institutions

SDG PARTICIPATED

**15** out of 17 Sustainable Development Goals



**Baku State University**

**941-950**

in overall performance

December 2024

Date

Ben Sowler  
Senior Vice-President  
QS Quacquarelli Symonds



17 PARTNERSHIPS  
FOR THE GOALS



# THE **IMPACT** **RANKINGS**

OVERALL RANK

**401-600** out of **2318**  
institutions



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



OVERALL SCORE

71.8 out of 100

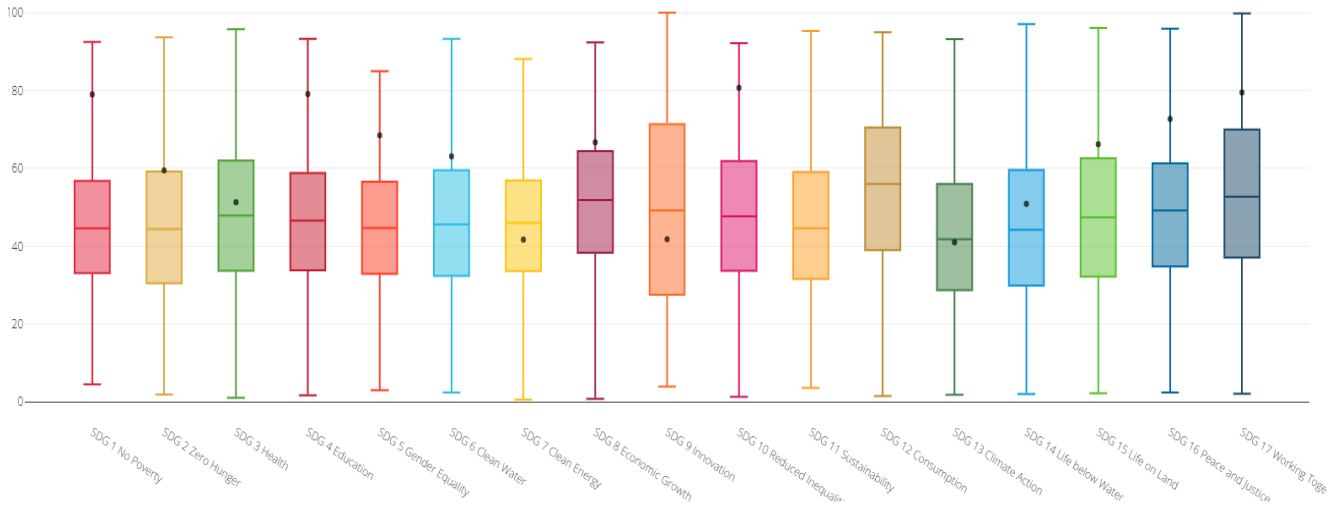
OVERALL RANK

401-600 out of 2318 institutions

SDG PARTICIPATED

15 out of 17 Sustainable Development Goals

SDG SCORES



THE Impact Rankings 2025

Data & methodology Download

Back Previous SDG 17 Next

Info

17

PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS

MANDATORY QUALIFYING SDG - 22% OF OVERALL

SCORE 79.5 RANK 301-400 out of 2389 institutions



Select reference group

Locations with < 10 ranked institutions cannot be selected

Worldwide

Select individual peers

Search by institution names

Continent or country or region

Filter by

Sort by: Name A-Z

Clear search

2388 found 0 (of 35) selected

Name Rank

+ "Aurel Vlaicu" University of Arad 1501+

+ ZIE - International Institute for Water and Environmental Engineering 801-1000

SCORE 63.8 Research into partnership for the goals

27.1% OF THIS SDG



SCORE 83.3 Relationships to support the goals

18.5% OF THIS SDG

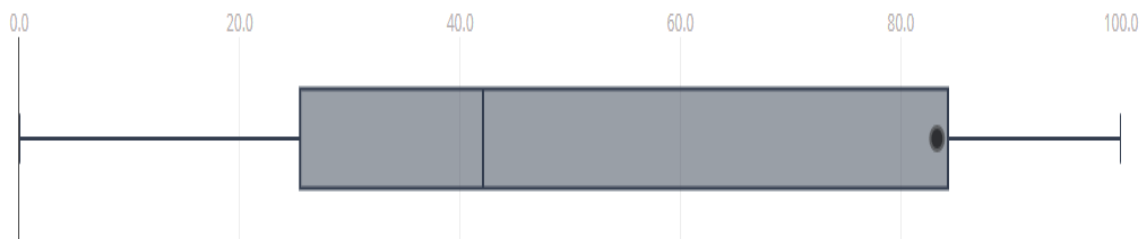




SCORE

### 83.3 Publication of SDG reports

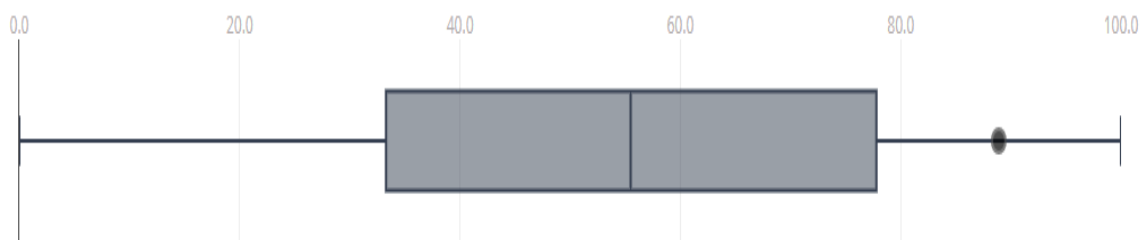
27.2% OF THIS SDG



SCORE

### 88.9 Education for the SDGs

27.2% OF THIS SDG





17 PARTNERSHIPS  
FOR THE GOALS



# SDG FOCUSED RESEARCH

## Introduction

Sustainable Development Goal 17 emphasizes strengthening global partnerships, mobilizing resources, and fostering knowledge exchange to accelerate progress toward all other SDGs. At Baku State University (BSU), research aligned with SDG 17 highlights the central role of collaboration in addressing complex social, economic, and environmental challenges. Recent studies examine how international cooperation, foreign investment, digital economy development, and cross-border trade can drive sustainable growth in Azerbaijan and the wider region. For example, research on Azerbaijan's digital transformation stresses the importance of foreign expertise and investment in building human capital and expanding digital literacy. Comparative studies on foreign investment in post-Soviet economies reveal both the benefits of innovation and infrastructure development, as well as the risks of overdependence on external funds corresponding the need for balanced partnership frameworks. Similarly, analyses of Iran–Azerbaijan trade relations and biodiversity protection laws across countries illustrate how regional and global cooperation can unlock untapped potential, harmonize standards, and enhance resilience.

Through these research initiatives, BSU contributes to advancing SDG 17 by generating evidence-based insights into effective partnerships, resource mobilization, and policy strategies that connect local strengths with global opportunities. These efforts demonstrate that sustainable progress in Azerbaijan requires not only national reforms but also robust international collaboration across governments, academia, and industry.

For all SDGs related articles please


















visit: <https://www.scopus.com/pages/organization/60071969#tab=sdgs>



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



## SDG contributions

 Goal 1: No poverty	9 documents	 Goal 10: Reduced inequalities	40 documents
 Goal 2: Zero hunger	74 documents	 Goal 11: Sustainable cities and communities	37 documents
 Goal 3: Good health and well-being	241 documents	 Goal 12: Responsible consumption and production	44 documents
 Goal 4: Quality education	21 documents	 Goal 13: Climate action	55 documents
 Goal 5: Gender equality	12 documents	 Goal 14: Life below water	50 documents
 Goal 6: Clean water and sanitation	83 documents	 Goal 15: Life on land	31 documents
 Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy	353 documents	 Goal 16: Peace, justice and strong institutions	36 documents
 Goal 8: Decent work and economic growth	68 documents	 Goal 17: Partnership for the goals	47 documents
 Goal 9: Industry, innovation and infrastructure	101 documents		

**1. Authors: Teymurova V.E., Abdullayeva S., Muradova K., Aslanova M.M., Bayramli M.**

**Focus:** Environmental challenges in Azerbaijan and their economic costs.

**Methods:** Policy and economic analysis of pollution, land degradation, and green technology efforts.

**Findings:** Environmental degradation imposes significant costs; human capital and education are weakly integrated into sustainability strategies.

**Recommendation:** Strengthen human capital, education, and international cooperation to drive innovation and sustainable competitiveness.

 [Full text](#)

**2. Authors: Mukhametov A.E., Moreva E.L., Bayramli M., Smirnov A.V., Egorov I.**

**Focus:** SMART diversification strategy for Arabian Peninsula economies.

**Methods:** Historical analysis (1970–2023) of oil price trends and economic diversification models.

**Findings:** Oil dependence threatens stability; diversification into digital technologies, renewable energy, and tourism improves resilience.

**Recommendation:** Adopt SMART strategies to ensure political stability and economic sustainability.

 [Full text](#)

**3. Authors: Abbasov G.Z., Mustafayev A.G., Mammadova G.N., Umudov I.I., Nurubeyli T.K., +1 author**

**Focus:** AI-driven digital twins for transport component durability.

**Methods:** Simulations with Bayesian inference to predict thermomechanical stress.

**Findings:** Stress uncertainty reduced by 30%, component lifespan increased by 25%.

**Recommendation:** Use AI-based predictive maintenance for safer, cost-effective, and sustainable transport systems.

 [Full text](#)

**4. Authors: Umudov I.I., Maharramov V.A., Mammadova G.N., Nurubeyli T.K., Abbasov G.Z.**

**Focus:** AI-driven optimization of energy use in soft drink production.

**Methods:** Digital twins with regression, linear programming, and Monte Carlo simulations.

**Findings:** Production volume strongly affects energy use; AI reduces downtime (25%) and energy use (15%).

**Recommendation:** Adopt AI tools for smarter and greener industrial energy management.

 [Full text](#)



### 5. Authors: Mustafayeva G.A., Mammadova S.Y., Balajayeva T.P.

**Focus:** Climate-resilient infrastructure for sustainable competitiveness.

**Methods:** Case studies and policy analysis linked to COP-29 goals.

**Findings:** Resilient infrastructure saves costs, improves health, and attracts investors.

**Recommendation:** Integrate climate goals into infrastructure planning for sustainable growth.

[Full text](#)

---

### 6. Authors: Mammadova L.

**Focus:** Azerbaijan's 2023–2024 judicial reforms on in absentia trials.

**Methods:** Legal analysis and comparison with Germany.

**Findings:** Safeguards exist, but issues remain in defendant notification and remedy enforcement.

**Recommendation:** Improve procedural consistency to enhance trust and access to justice (SDG 16).

[Full text](#)

---

### 7. Authors: Macnunlu K., Babazade R.H., Hasanova T.

**Focus:** Ecological sustainability of agroecosystems in Azerbaijan's Barda district.

**Methods:** Remote sensing (NDVI, SAVI), GIS, precision farming.

**Findings:** Soil health and crop productivity can be improved with sustainable practices.

**Recommendation:** Apply precision farming to optimize land use and boost exports.

[Full text](#)

---

### 8. Authors: Hashimova L.F.

**Focus:** Cultural heritage protection as a human rights issue.

**Methods:** Legal analysis of treaties and European Court of Human Rights rulings.

**Findings:** Heritage destruction is a human rights violation.

**Recommendation:** Strengthen international legal frameworks for cultural heritage protection, especially in conflict zones.

[Full text](#)

---

### 9. Authors: Babayev F.F., Goncharenko I.M., Mazur H., Abdullaev U., Chernyaha L.

**Focus:** Role of foreign investment in Ukraine, Azerbaijan, and Uzbekistan.

**Methods:** Comparative economic analysis.

**Findings:** Investment boosts GDP, jobs, and innovation but risks overdependence.

**Recommendation:** Create a balanced investment climate to maximize benefits while limiting risks.

[Full text](#)

**10. Authors: Mikhnevych L.V., Luchko I., Gahramanova N., Dubova O., Myskovets I.**

**Focus:** Biodiversity conservation laws in Ukraine and Azerbaijan.

**Methods:** Comparative legal study.

**Findings:** Ukraine has stronger protected areas; Azerbaijan incorporates traditional knowledge. Alignment with international standards is weak.

**Recommendation:** Strengthen enforcement and international cooperation for biodiversity protection.

[Full text](#)

**11. Authors: Mustafayev E., Guliyev H.**

**Focus:** Inflation dynamics in Azerbaijan.

**Methods:** Macroeconomic analysis of oil price influence and policy responses.

**Findings:** Inflation controlled post-2011 but vulnerable to oil volatility since 2021.

**Recommendation:** Reduce oil dependency and apply stronger inflation-management policies.

[Full text](#)

**12. Authors: Abdullayev K., Badalova S., Mustafayev A., Zeynalov M., Babayeva A.**

**Focus:** Development of Azerbaijan's digital economy.

**Methods:** Policy and economic analysis.

**Findings:** Digital economy faces funding and literacy challenges; human capital and foreign investment are key.

**Recommendation:** Expand IT education, involve foreign experts, and improve digital skills through policy support.

[Full text](#)

**13. Authors: Changizi K.K., Gangiov G., Abbasov V.**

**Focus:** Iran–Azerbaijan trade relations (1991–2018).

**Methods:** Gravity model of trade analysis.

**Findings:** Trade potential is high but hindered by banking, customs, and financial barriers.

**Recommendation:** Remove structural barriers to significantly expand trade cooperation.

[Full text](#)

**14. Authors: Aliyev S.T., Babayev F.F., Galandarova U., Gafarli G., Balajayeva T.P.**

**Focus:** Regional economic security in Azerbaijan (2005–2022).

**Methods:** Integrated socioeconomic indicator analysis.

**Findings:** Agriculture and trade are key; employment and wages strongly influence regional stability.

**Recommendation:** Diversify economy and strengthen regional development policies.

[Full text](#)



---

### 15. Authors: Celik S.Z., Rustamov R.B.

**Focus:** Advances in solar cell technologies.

**Methods:** Review of three generations of solar cells.

**Findings:** Tandem solar cells offer highest efficiency potential.

**Recommendation:** Invest in tandem solar technology for sustainable and cost-effective solar power.

 [Full text](#)

---

### 16. Authors: Babayev F.F., Goncharenko I.M., Mazur H., Abdullaev U., Chernyaha L.

**Focus:** Foreign investment and economic growth in post-Soviet states.

**Methods:** Comparative regional study.

**Findings:** Investment improves GDP, jobs, and innovation but risks dependency.

**Recommendation:** Maintain a favorable yet balanced investment climate.

 [Full text](#)

---

### 17. Authors: Mikhnevych L.V., Luchko I., Gahramanova N., Dubova O., Myskovets I.

**Focus:** Biodiversity conservation laws in Ukraine and Azerbaijan.

**Methods:** Comparative legal analysis.

**Findings:** Ukraine has a stronger protected area system; Azerbaijan integrates traditional knowledge. Both face challenges in aligning with international standards.

**Recommendation:** Improve legal frameworks, enforcement, and cooperation for better conservation outcomes.

 [Full text](#)