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On October 28, a ceremony of signing an agreement between SOCAR and its partners in the South Caucasus Pipeline (SCP) and the British Council on financing the project "Improvement of the English language skills of students of SABAH postgraduate groups" took place.

A signing ceremony was attended by Minister of Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan Emin Amrullayev, SOCAR President Rovnag Abdullayev, British Ambassador to Azerbaijan James Sharp, as well as rectors of universities participating in the project.

It has been reported that the 10-month project, to be implemented by the British Council, will run from October 2021 to July 2022. Within the project, 372 students of SABAH postgraduate groups of Azerbaijan State University of Oil and Industry, Baku State University, Azerbaijan State University of Economics, Azerbaijan State Pedagogical University, Azerbaijan University of Architecture and Construction, Azerbaijan Technical University and Baku Engineering University will improve their English language skills within 150 academic hours. The purpose of the project is to continuously improve the quality of education in Azerbaijan, to ensure talented graduate-level students studying in SABAH postgraduate groups gain direct access to modern English-language scientific literature.

In his speech at the signing ceremony, SOCAR President Rovnag Abdullayev said that SOCAR focuses on sustainability that includes the realization of intellectual potential of young people and emphasizes educational and training-oriented projects in social investment encouraging its partners to these projects.

Education Minister Emin Amrullayev brought to the attention of the participants the importance of the SABAH Master's program and emphasized the importance of projects carried out to further improve the quality of education in our country. At the end of his speech, the minister thanked the project partners and wished them success.

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The British Ambassador to Azerbaijan James Sharp, who spoke afterwards, noted that Azerbaijan and the UK have long-term and strong ties of cooperation in the field of education. James Sharp expressed confidence that the new project will provide the necessary support for the training of SABAH Master's students.