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Education Minister Misir Mardanov expressed his pleasure at welcoming the guest at the Ministry. Noting the importance of educational ties within developing relationships of the two countries, the Minister talked about a planned visit of delegation led by him to Switzerland in the near future.

In his speech, he underlined a successful implementation of latest innovations at all levels of education in Switzerland and stressed the usefulness of getting acquainted with that experience. Noting a total of 40 Azeri students were sent to universities of Switzerland within the State Program for study of Azeri youth abroad for the years 2007-2015 approved by the Order of President Ilham Aliyev, the Minister outlined the possibility of increasing their number.

An Ambassador of Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Switzerland to Azerbaijan Sabine Ulmann Shaban thanked the Minister for the warm welcome. Noting her country is interested in cooperation with Azerbaijan in all directions, including the education field, the guest underlined the importance of visit of delegation headed by the Minister to her country.

According to the Ambassador, Switzerland is implementing new scholarship program for overseas students and Azeri students can also benefit from this scholarship opportunity. She stressed that her country is ready to expand the cooperation with Azerbaijan at all levels of the education and expressed her wish to hold meetings at universities of Azerbaijan to give students more information about the program.

Noting the International Baccalaureate Program in Azerbaijan is implemented by experts from Switzerland, the Minister expressed his belief that the project will be successfully carried out. He stressed the importance of building direct relationships between the two countries and the possibility of implementing joint projects in the scientific research areas.

At the meeting, the sides also exchanged views on other issues of common interest.