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The meeting was attended by Head of Operations Section of the EU Delegation to Azerbaijan Federico Berna, Coordinator for Institutional Development Programme Serena Vitale, EU Coordinator for Azerbaijan Federico Birocci and Programme Manager of EC Delegation to Azerbaijan Rza Zulfugarzade.

Education Minister Misir Mardanov warmly welcomed the guests and expressed his pleasure at seeing them in Azerbaijan. He gave information on the first meeting of Sub-Committee established within European Union and Azerbaijan Cooperation Committee in 2009 to expand relations between Azerbaijan and the EU.

Having underlined the existence of cooperation between Azerbaijan and the EU within the Tempus, Erasmus-Mundus, Jean Monnet, TAIEX, Twinning and Sigma programs, the Minister stressed implementation of planned works in this direction are being successfully continued. He talked about measures taken in the fields of inclusive education, vocational education and training, high education, doctoral studies, and put forward some proposals for the prospective development of cooperation.

Federico Berna, Head of Operations Section of the EU Delegation to Azerbaijan, stressed the importance of education projects implemented within the EU – Azerbaijan cooperation. He underlined the need to determine the future goals to further develop relationship and shared his views regarding that issue.

The EU Coordinator for Azerbaijan Juergen Kettner thanked the Minister for the warm welcome. He highly praised the projects implemented by the EU in the education field and expressed his belief that the effectiveness of relations will improve over the next few years. He also stressed importance of proposals for enhanced cooperation at different levels of education.

The sides have also exchanged views on other issues, such as implementation of joint scientific research projects, cooperation in the secondary school field, teacher training and, etc.