The event was attended by Mikayil Jabbarov, Minister of Education, Mark Harald Ehler, Managing Director of "Absheron Hotel Group" LLC, as well as the heads of educational institutions and entrepreneurs taking part in the service sector.

Speaking at the ceremony, Mikayil Jabbarov, the Minister of Education, noted that the development of vocational education is one of the priority fields. Mikayil Jabbarov mentioned that the State Strategy for the Development of Education intends to develop the vocational education and involve entrepreneurs, employers in this field and the Ministry of Education is consistently working on this issue.

The Minister also reminded that the Baku 2015 First European Games will take place in Azerbaijan in the next few days. It will lead to the arrival of thousands of athletes and visitors to our country and increasing the prestige of Azerbaijan as a tourist zone. As a result, there is a need for training of personnel which meets international standards and increasing the level of professionalism of existing staff in the service sector.

Mark Harald Ehler, Managing Director of "Absheron Hotel Group" LLC, mentioned that according to the agreement reached with the Ministry of Education, it was planned to hold trainings in line with international standards by experts for 430 pupils in Baku vocational Lyceum No. 5. Initially, 220 people participated in the trainings.

It was noted in the event that the purpose of these trainings being held for the first time on vocational education is to create personnel resources for the newly opened five-star hotels - "Boulevard Hotel" and "Intourist Hotel" in Baku on the eve of the first European Games. The participants of the trainings will have the opportunity to be employed in hotels opened on the eve of the European Games and in the restaurant chain included in "Absheron Hotel Group" LLC.

After the speeches, certificates were presented to persons who have completed the course.