

ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

The Conference

CLIMATE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESS IN AZERBAIJAN

October 7, 2008 * * * * * Grand Hotel Europe * * * * * Baku Ball Room

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AGENDA

09.30 – 10.00	Registration
10.00 – 10.15	Opening. <i>Chair: Raqib Quliyev, professor of Azerbaijan Technical University, Head Departament of Economic Theory, former head of State Committee for Support to Entrepreneurs</i> <i>Chair: Sabit Bagirov, President of Entrepreneurship Development Foundation</i> Welcome address: <i>Anne Elizabeth Derse, USA Ambassador to Azerbaijan</i> <i>Gregory T. Jedrzejczak, World Bank</i>
10.15 – 10.30	Efforts and Accomplishments of the Government in the development of Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) in Azerbaijan <i>Representative of Department Entrepreneurship Development Policy of Ministry of Economic Development</i>
10.30 – 10.40	Q & A
10.40 – 11.30	Presentation of the National Business Agenda (NBA) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>The project in brief (Sabit Bagirov);</i>- <i>The research outcomes (Rasim Musabayov);</i>- <i>Macroeconomic aspects of developing of small business (Ingilab Ahmedov);</i>- <i>Significance of SME for political transformation (Ilgar Mammadov);</i>- <i>NBA recommendations for improvement of climate for small business (Sabit Bagirov)</i>
11.30 – 11.50	Tea, Coffee
11.50 – 12.55	Discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Alekber Mammadov, president of The National Confederation of the Entrepreneurs (Employers') Organizations</i>- <i>Ilham Askerov, president of MARKO LRS company</i>- <i>Javanshir Abdullayev, director of Baku Bank Trainig Center</i>- <i>Adil Abdullayev, president of Association of Small and Medium Enterprises</i>- <i>Sevgim Rahmanov, president of Union of Merchants and Producers</i>- <i>Ali Masimov, Member of Parliament</i>- <i>Ilcham Abdullayev, IFC</i>- <i>Other participants of conference</i>

12.55 – 13.00	Closing remarks
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