

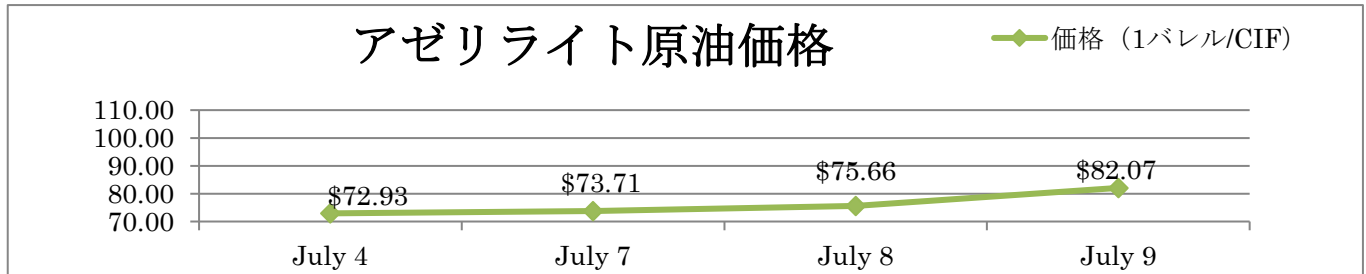
アゼルバイジャン経済情報

(公開情報とりまとめ)

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在アゼルバイジャン日本国大使館

1. エネルギー・環境



●ADB がバクーでの地下鉄利用増加による炭素排出量削減量を試算 乗客一人あたり約 700g 削減

An increase in the number of passengers using the Baku Metro could contribute significantly to reducing greenhouse gas emissions, ADB's assessment said. According to the report, the development of metro transport in Azerbaijan and the construction of new stations are also identified as one of the priority areas in the country's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). According to ADB calculations, taking into account the monitoring results of the Delhi Metro and Azerbaijan's electricity carbon emission factor, each passenger using the metro prevents approximately 700 grams of CO₂ emissions. In this regard, transporting an additional 100 million passengers could reduce CO₂ emissions by approximately 70,000 tons annually. The report states that, under the current methodology of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) for mass public transport projects, the Baku Metro could be considered eligible for a carbon market project. However, the preparation and monitoring of such projects is a complex process. Therefore, for such projects to be economically viable, it is considered appropriate for the annual emission reduction to amount to at least 50,000 tons of CO₂. (Apa, 04.07.2027)

●露の攻撃でウクライナの SOCAR ガソリンスタンドに損害 駐アゼルバイジャン・ロシア大使が召喚される

A fuel station operated by Azerbaijan's SOCAR Energy Ukraine was damaged in a Russian drone attack in Ukraine's southern Mykolaiv region, the company confirmed, as Moscow continues its aerial campaign against the country's energy and civilian infrastructure. According to SOCAR Energy Ukraine, three Iranian-designed Shahed attack drones struck the company's filling station in the village of Nechayane on the evening of July 5. The attack damaged the station's administrative building and triggered an explosion at the site. The company said no employees were injured because staff had taken shelter after an air raid alert was issued and followed established emergency procedures. Last summer, explosions in the village of Berezyna in Ukraine's Zhytomyr region severely damaged two SOCAR-operated fuel stations. In a separate incident in August 2025, Russian Shahed drones struck a SOCAR oil depot in Ukraine's Odesa region, causing a major fire and seriously injuring four people. (Azer News, 06.07.2026)

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan on July 6 summoned Russian Ambassador Mikhail Yevdokimov to lodge a strong protest over the drone strike on a SOCAR gas station in Ukraine's Mykolaiv region. According to a statement issued by the ministry, Azerbaijani officials expressed strong dissatisfaction during the meeting over the July 5 attack and handed the Russian side an official diplomatic note of protest. The ministry stressed that the strike was not an isolated incident, recalling that SOCAR's facilities in Ukraine had previously been targeted during the ongoing conflict. These included attacks on a gas distribution compressor station and an oil depot in Odesa, which caused significant material damage and left company employees injured. Azerbaijan stated that the recurrence of such incidents, despite repeated warnings, indicates that the attacks were carried out deliberately. During the meeting, the Azerbaijani side also raised concerns over previous air strikes that damaged the country's Embassy in Kyiv and its Honorary Consulate in Kharkiv, emphasizing that diplomatic and consular premises must be protected in accordance with the Vienna Conventions. The Foreign Ministry called on Russia to conduct a comprehensive investigation into all of the incidents, provide an appropriate explanation for the attacks, and fulfill its international obligations regarding the protection of civilian infrastructure and diplomatic missions. (Azer News, 06/07.2026)

●アリエフ大統領が SOFAZ の 2025 年度予算執行法案に署名 歳入約 171 億マナト 歳出 146 億マナト

On July 6, President Aliyev signed a decree on the execution of the 2025 budget of the State Oil Fund of Azerbaijan (SOFAZ). Last year SOFAZ's budget revenues amounted to 17.16 billion manats, while budget expenditures amounted to 14.63 billion manats. During the year, the Fund earned 10.27 billion manats from the implementation of oil and gas agreements, including 9.5 billion manats from the sale of profit oil and gas, 765.7 million manats from bonus payments and transit, and 3.6 million manats from acreage payments. The SOFAZ received 8.29 billion manats from the Azeri-Chirag-Gunashli field and 958.8 million manats from the Shah Deniz field. The income generated from the management of the Fund's assets amounted to 6.89 billion manats (the rate of return was 6.2%). During the reporting period, SOFAZ transferred 14.48 billion manats to the state budget, allocated 18.6 million manats for financing the "State Program on Enhancing International Competitiveness of the Higher Education System for 2019-2023," directed 86.9 million manats for financing the "State Program for 2022-2028 on Education of Youth at Prestigious Higher Education Institutions of Foreign Countries," and spent 40.7 million manats on management. The Fund's extra-budgetary revenues arising from exchange rate differences amounted to 20.43 billion manats. (report.az, 06.07.2026)

●BP 地域代表が ACG 及びシャフ・デニズガス田の生産は複雑になってきている旨言及 新たな技術的アプローチが必要に

Oil and gas production at Azerbaijan's major fields –ACG block of fields and the Shah Deniz gas-condensate field – is becoming increasingly complex, Gio Cristofoli, BP's Regional President for Azerbaijan, Georgia, and Türkiye said on July 6. Cristofoli noted that BP continues operations at these two giant fields in cooperation with SOCAR and other partners. He explained that since ACG and Shah Deniz have been in operation for many years, their development has become more challenging compared to earlier stages and now requires new technological approaches. The official added that thanks to the application of advanced technologies, BP and its partners are achieving high results in the efficient development of these fields and the reliable delivery of oil and gas to global markets. (report.az, 06.07.2026)

●世銀がアゼルバイジャンのガス流通網のメタン削減計画の決定を 7 月 28 日から 8 月 6 日に延期

The World Bank has postponed the approval of a \$15 million project designed to reduce methane emissions across Azerigaz's gas distribution network, moving the decision date from July 28 to August 6. The "Azerigaz Gas Leak Detection and Repair Facility" aims to reduce methane emissions caused by leaks in the gas distribution system operated by Azerigaz while strengthening the company's asset management capacity. "The project envisages the establishment of a financial mechanism managed by the recipient for the detection and repair of gas leaks in the Azerigaz gas distribution system. The mechanism will be launched with an initial grant from the Global Partnership for Flaring and Methane Reduction (GFMR) Trust Fund," the bank said. Under the proposed structure, SOCAR will serve as the grant recipient and holder of the grant account, while Azerigaz will act as the sole beneficiary and implementing agency responsible for the day-to-day execution and management of the project. (Azer News, 06.07.2026)

●ババエフ気候変動大統領特別代表がバクー・エネルギー・サマースクールの開会式で気候変動問題に関し発言

The extreme heat waves currently affecting Europe and other regions clearly demonstrate the growing consequences of climate change, said Mukhtar Babayev, Representative of the President of Azerbaijan for Climate Issues, during the opening ceremony of the 20th Baku Energy Summer School. According to him, floods, droughts, heat waves, and other hydrometeorological disasters are becoming more frequent and severe. "Global interest in nuclear energy has increased significantly since COP28. However, the recent heat waves in Europe have also affected the operations of the nuclear energy sector. This is due to falling water levels in rivers and rising water temperatures, which prevent cooling systems from operating efficiently. These developments further underscore the need for discussions on climate change," Babayev added. "Now is a very appropriate time to discuss energy issues and the energy crisis. The events in the Strait of Hormuz once again demonstrated that the energy crisis is extremely relevant and poses a very serious threat to the entire world," Mukhtar Babayev said. (Azertag, 07.07.2026)

●ナジャフ SOCAR 総裁とコートジボワール国営石油ガス会社（PETROCI ホールディング）がバレイン油ガス田等につき意見交換

On July 7, SOCAR President Rovshan Najaf met with Fatoumata Sanogo, CEO of PETROCI Holding. During the meeting, the sides expressed satisfaction with the cooperation between SOCAR and PETROCI Holding on the Baleine oil and gas field development project and reviewed the progress achieved under the project. The parties also exchanged views on the further development of their mutually beneficial partnership and discussed opportunities for cooperation in development and production, oil and petroleum products trading, refining, digitalization, application of artificial intelligence, human capital development, and other areas of mutual interest. (Azertag, 07.07.2026)

●SOCAR トルコとペガサス航空が持続可能な航空燃料（SAF）の開発推進に関し合意

SOCAR Türkiye and Pegasus Airlines signed a cooperation agreement to advance the development of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF), marking a significant step toward supporting the decarbonization of Türkiye's aviation sector. According to SOCAR Türkiye, the agreement is aimed at accelerating the energy transition in aviation and promoting lower-carbon air transport. Under the memorandum, the two companies will collaborate to assess Türkiye's demand for sustainable aviation fuel, conduct technical and economic feasibility studies to develop the SAF value chain, support business development and awareness initiatives, and explore opportunities

for cooperation in sustainable aviation fuel projects both in Türkiye and international markets. (Azer News, 07.07.2026)

●米エネルギー情報局が 2026-2027 年におけるアゼルバイジャンの液体炭化水素の平均日産量の見通しを発表

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) under the US Department of Energy has updated its forecast for the average daily production of oil and other liquid hydrocarbons in Azerbaijan for 2026-2027. The average daily production of oil and other liquid hydrocarbons in the country will be at the level of 520 thousand barrels in 2027 and 550 thousand barrels in 2026. (Apa, 07.07.2026)

●カスピ海・黒海・欧州グリーンエネルギー回廊に関する第 12 回閣僚級会合がバクーで開催

The 12th Ministerial/Steering Committee Meeting on the implementation of the Agreement on Strategic Partnership in the Field of Green Energy Development and Transmission among Azerbaijan, Georgia, Hungary, and Romania was held in Baku on July 8. The meeting brought together Azerbaijan's Energy Minister Parviz Shahbazov, Georgia's Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development Mariam Kvrivishvili, Romania's State Secretary for Energy Cristian Buşoi, Hungary's State Secretary at the Ministry of Economy and Energy András Tóth, as well as representatives of the European Union, Bulgaria, Italy, the Green Energy Corridor Power Company (GECO), CESI S.p.A., the electricity transmission system operators of the four partner countries, the World Bank Group, EBRD, ADB. Participants reviewed progress on the Caspian-Black Sea-Europe Green Energy Corridor project. CESI S.p.A. presented the final results of the project's feasibility study, covering market simulations, cost-benefit analysis, energy system integration, route studies, business model assessment, conceptual design, the implementation plan, and procurement strategy. GECO also presented an update on the project's implementation and outlined the next steps following completion of the feasibility study. The meeting further reviewed project financing and regional developments in renewable energy. GECO was tasked with preparing a comprehensive roadmap for activities leading up to the Final Investment Decision (FID). They also agreed to establish a dialogue among the national energy regulators of the participating countries to strengthen the project's regulatory framework. At the conclusion of the meeting, participants signed a protocol summarizing its outcomes. (Azertag, 08.07.2026)

●ナジャフ SOCAR 総裁及びシャフバゾフ・エネルギー大臣がジンバブエ国会議長とエネルギー政策等につき個別に意見交換

On July 8, Rovshan Najaf, SOCAR President met with Jacob Francis Nzwidamilimo Mudenda, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Republic of Zimbabwe. The meeting featured an overview of Azerbaijan's energy strategy and the globally significant energy projects implemented at Azerbaijan's initiative. The sides discussed investment environment created in Azerbaijan. The parties also exchanged views on opportunities for cooperation across various segments of the energy sector, experience sharing, and other issues of mutual interest. (Azertag, 08.07.2026)

On July 9, Parviz Shahbazov, Azerbaijan's Minister of Energy, met with a Zimbabwean delegation led by Jacob Francis Nzwidamilimo Mudenda, Speaker of the National Assembly. The meeting focused on expanding energy cooperation between Azerbaijan and Zimbabwe, including renewable energy, the oil and gas industry, and the exchange of experience in energy legislation. The Zimbabwean speaker noted that his country is willing to benefit from Azerbaijan's expertise in developing its energy sector. He highlighted the importance of studying Azerbaijan's experience in strengthening energy security, improving the investment climate, developing

renewable energy projects, as well as its energy legislation and financing mechanisms. The meeting concluded with an agreement to organize a seminar to share Azerbaijan's expertise with the Zimbabwean side on its oil and gas contractual model, the legislative framework governing renewable energy, and investment mechanisms in the energy sector. (Azertag, 09.07.2026)

●SOCAR と伊 Technip Energies が Petkim マスタープランプロジェクトへの協力覚書に署名

On July 9, Rovshan Najaf, SOCAR President met with Carlo Corsi, CEO of Technip Energies Italy S.p.A. During the meeting, the sides hailed partnership established between the two companies over the years and emphasized the importance of identifying new areas of cooperation to further expand their mutually beneficial relations. The parties reviewed potential cooperation in the application of highly flexible feedstock solutions in the petrochemical sector, as well as opportunities to enhance productivity and improve energy efficiency. They also exchanged views on the potential participation of Technip Energies Italy S.p.A. in SOCAR's international projects, as well as opportunities for partnership in green energy and decarbonization initiatives. SOCAR and Technip Energies Italy S.p.A. also signed a MoU to identify potential areas of cooperation within the framework of Petkim Master Plan project. (Azertag, 09.07.2026)

●AzerEnerji と世銀が再エネ統合プロジェクト（AZURE）の進捗状況を確認

AzerEnerji and the World Bank have discussed the overall progress of the Azerbaijan Renewable Energy Integration (AZURE) project aimed at integrating renewable energy sources into the national power grid. The discussions took place during a meeting between AzerEnerji Chairman Baba Rzayev and a World Bank delegation led by Regional Director for the South Caucasus Rolande Pryce on July 9. The parties reviewed the current status of the project's components, upcoming activities, and opportunities for expanding cooperation. They also exchanged views on the integration of large-scale renewable energy projects into Azerbaijan's electricity grid and discussed the future prospects for cooperation in the country's renewable energy sector. (report.az, 09.07.2026)

●エネルギー省がアブシェロン・ガスコンデンセート田の操業開始からの総生産量を発表 天然ガス 48 億立方メートル及びガスコンデンセート 180 トン

A total of 4.8 billion cubic meters of gas and nearly 1.8 million tons of gas condensate have been produced to date (during 3 years since the beginning of operation) under the Early Production Scheme (EPS) phase of the Absheron gas-condensate field development, the Ministry of Energy said on July 10. (Apa, 10.07.2026)

2. マクロ経済・財政

公式為替レート(出典：中央銀行)

Date	07/01	07/02	07/03	07/06	07/07	07/08	07/09	07/10
USD/ AZN	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000	1.7000
EURO/AZN	1.9394↑	1.9359↓	1.9459↑	1.9436↓	1.9442↑	1.9405↓	1.9426↑	1.9452↑

●7 月 1 日時点のアゼルバイジャン対外負債は前年同期比 7.9%下落し 46.2 億米ドルに

As of July 1, 2026, Azerbaijan's external public debt amounted to USD 4.62 billion, State Statistical Committee said. Note that this is by 7.9% lower than was in the same period of last

year. In June alone, the country's external public debt decreased by USD 25.6 million. (Azertag, 09.07.2026)

3. 対外経済関係

●国家自動車委員会と世銀地域局長が道路インフラ案件等につき意見交換

On July 3, Vusal Nasirli, Chairman of the Board of the State Agency of Azerbaijan Automobile Roads (AAYDA), met with a delegation of the World Bank (WB), led by Rolande Pryce, Regional Director for the South Caucasus. The meeting reviewed the results of the institutional assessment conducted by WB covering the management of road sector in Azerbaijan. The meeting also focused on the existing approaches to management, maintenance, and financing of road infrastructure. Roland Pryce expressed the World Bank's readiness to support Azerbaijan within the bank's multiphase pragmatic approach covering the institutional reforms and road infrastructure projects. The sides agreed to continue cooperation. (Azertag, 04.07.2026)

●ADB が中小企業支援として Bank Respublika に 4,000 万米ドルの融資を承認

ADB has approved a \$40 mln loan to Bank Respublika for Azerbaijan MSMEs. ADB said in a message on its website that it will issue the ordinary capital resources loan under the Expanding Access to Finance for Micro, Small, and Medium-Sized Enterprises (MSMEs) in Azerbaijan's Regions Project. The financing is aimed at expanding access to finance for MSMEs in Azerbaijan's regions, helping improve the availability of credit for businesses outside the capital and supporting private sector development. (Trend, 07.07.2026)

●ジョージアがアナクリア深水港建設を決定 当初計画とは異なりアゼルバイジャンを含む複数のパートナーからの投資を期待

On July 6, Georgian Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development Mariam Kvrivishvili announced that the government has decided to build the Anaklia Deep-Sea Port under the "Landlord" model. According to her, under this model, Georgia will remain the owner of the main maritime and port infrastructure, while also ensuring its development and management. The approach will allow the country to develop the Anaklia port in partnership not with a single state, as previously planned, but with multiple countries and companies simultaneously. This, she said, will create better conditions for attracting cargo flows and ensuring the port operates at maximum efficiency. Kvrivishvili noted that the main goal of the decision is to turn Anaklia into a hub for international interests, capital, and cargo flows, with participation from partner countries and taking their interests into account. The Minister emphasized that while the state will be responsible for building road and railway connections to Anaklia, investments in container and bulk cargo terminals will be made by international investors and private operators. The Georgian government welcomes investments from countries involved in the Middle Corridor, including China, Central Asian states, and Azerbaijan. (Azer News, 06.07.2026)

●アゼルバイジャン企業組織委員会とパキスタン・パンジャブ州商工会議所が経済関係強化協力覚書に署名

On July 6, the National Confederation of Entrepreneurs (Employers) Organizations of Azerbaijan (ASK) and Okara Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Pakistan's Punjab province signed a MoU to expand bilateral economic and trade relations and strengthen partnerships between entrepreneurs. (Azertag, 06.07.2026)

●**ジャバロフ経済大臣とナジャフ SOCAR 総裁が米国上院議員率いる代表团と貿易投資等幅広い分野につき意見交換**

On July 7, Minister of Economy Mikayil Jabbarov and SOCAR President Rovshan Najaf met with a delegation led by U.S. Senator Steve Daines, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and Chairman of the Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation. Opportunities to expand cooperation between Azerbaijan and the United States in the fields of trade and investment promotion, energy, artificial intelligence, digital economy, critical minerals extraction and processing, industry, transport, and tourism were discussed. The parties discussed opportunities to expand cooperation in the fields of trade and investment promotion, energy, artificial intelligence, digital economy, critical minerals extraction and processing, industry, transport, and tourism. They also emphasized the role of the Middle Corridor and the TRIPP route initiative in the development of international trade, economic integration, and strengthening regional connectivity. It was noted during the meeting that the Economic Dialogue mechanism within the framework of the Strategic Partnership Charter between Azerbaijan and the United States is one of the main institutional platforms for cooperation. The sides exchanged views on a roadmap for the implementation of joint projects and reviewed prospects for expanding cooperation in areas of mutual interest. (Apa, 07.07.2026)

●**ウズベキスタンとアゼルバイジャンが乗用車（シボレー「コバルト」）のアゼルバイジャンでの生産を計画 アゼルマシュ CP・ウズオートサノアト JSC による総額 8430 万ドル規模のプロジェクトに**

Uzbekistan and Azerbaijan are beginning construction of a full-cycle automobile plant in Azerbaijan, Khurram Teshabayev, Deputy Minister of Investments, Industry and Trade of Uzbekistan, said on July 7. The project, valued at \$84.3 million, is being implemented by Azermash CP and UzAutoSanoat JSC. "The main preparatory work has already been completed. Suppliers have been selected, orders have been placed for production equipment and assembly lines, and construction of the new manufacturing complex is underway. Among other models, the facility will produce the Chevrolet Cobalt. The plant is scheduled to become operational in mid-2027. Once commissioned, production will transition from SKD assembly to a full-scale manufacturing cycle, significantly increasing output and expanding the range of vehicles produced. The Hajigabul automotive manufacturing project is one of the most successful examples of industrial cooperation between Uzbekistan and Azerbaijan. The launch of semi-knocked-down (SKD) assembly of Chevrolet vehicles and Isuzu buses in 2022 demonstrated the strong potential of this partnership and laid a solid foundation for the project's further expansion. Today, the project is entering its next phase-the construction of a full-cycle manufacturing plant," he added. (Apa, 07.07.2026)

●**ADB が新たなアゼルバイジャンを含む地域での公共マネジメント事業を承認**

ADB has approved a new technical assistance program aimed at strengthening public financial management and public procurement systems in the Asia-Pacific region, including Azerbaijan. The total value of the regional project, titled "Conducting Fiduciary Assessments and Strengthening Public Financial Management Systems in Asia and the Pacific," amounts to \$500,000. The program, financed through the ADB Technical Assistance Special Fund, will cover more than 40 countries, including Azerbaijan, during 2026–2028. Within the framework of the project, it is planned to assess public financial management and public procurement systems in participating countries, prepare action plans to address identified issues, strengthen the institutional capacity of government agencies, and organize practical training and knowledge-sharing activities. ADB noted that the initiative aims to support more effective execution of state

budgets, internal financial control, financial reporting, auditing, and public procurement, as well as to enhance transparency and accountability through digital solutions. (Apa, 07.07.2026)

●アゼルバイジャン航空がバクー・カルス（トルコ）便を運行開始

AZAL informs that it is launching flights to the Turkish city of Kars. The first flight on the new route will be operated on July 30. (Apa, 07.07.2026)

●アゼルバイジャン鉄道公社がバクー・トビリシ間の鉄道料金を値下げする予定はない旨言及
Azerbaijan Railways isn't considering significant reduction of ticket prices for the Baku-Tbilisi-Baku train, Azer Farajov, Head of the Azerbaijan Railways Passenger Transportation Department, told on July. According to him, tickets for this route are already on sale at the lowest fares. (Apa, 07.07.2026)

●ジャバロフ経済大臣がトルクメニスタンを訪問し、大統領他と面談

On July 8, Minister of Economy Mikayil Jabbarov visited Turkmenistan and held the following meetings there:

- Jabbarov met with President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov. They exchanged views on the priorities of bilateral economic cooperation and the large-scale projects, diversifying business partnership, promoting joint initiatives and strengthening regional economic and trade cooperation.
- Jabbarov met with Nokerguly Atagulyyev, Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan and Co-Chair of the Azerbaijan–Turkmenistan Joint Intergovernmental Commission. They discussed ways to enhance the effectiveness of the Commission's work, as well as opportunities to strengthen cooperation in trade, investment, industrial development, and the expansion of business ties.
- Jabbarov met with Rashid Meredov, Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan. They discussed ways to strengthen economic dialogue and deepen business cooperation.
- Jabbarov met with Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan Guvanch Agajanov. They discussed energy exports to international markets, further strengthening the legal and contractual framework in the energy sector, and opportunities for cooperation on joint projects.
- Jabbarov participated in the 9th meeting of the Azerbaijan–Turkmenistan Joint Intergovernmental Commission together with Nokerguly Atagulyyev, Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan and Co-Chair of the Commission. During the meeting the sides highlighted the initiative to establish the Azerbaijan–Turkmenistan Business Council as an important platform for expanding economic cooperation, strengthening business ties, and diversifying export opportunities between the two countries. Following the meeting, they signed a protocol providing for strengthened partnership in trade and economy, energy, transport, agriculture, food security, environmental protection, water management, and other priority areas. (economy.gov.az, report.az, 08.07.2026)

●世銀がアゼルバイジャン経済の多角化に向けた原動力として観光業の潜在能力を強調

Azerbaijan needs to accelerate the diversification of its economy, and tourism could become one of the key sources of sustainable growth in the long term, the World Bank's Regional Director for the South Caucasus, Rolande Pryce said at the event "Unlocking Tourism's Potential to Drive Economic Growth and Diversification." on July 9. According to her, the World Bank's new report on Azerbaijan consists of two parts: "The first is devoted to an analysis of the macroeconomic situation, while the second examines a specific topic of significant importance for the country's economic development. In the case of Azerbaijan, we have focused on tourism. The report analyzes the country's latest economic indicators, assesses its medium-term prospects, and examines how tourism can contribute to long-term economic growth and economic diversification. Over the past decade, the tourism sector has grown significantly and today accounts for a substantial share of service exports. Compared to other countries in the region, Azerbaijan's tourism potential has not yet been fully tapped in terms of the number of tourists, job creation, and its impact on regional development. Further development of the industry will require a shift from a model focused primarily on Baku and hosting events to a more diversified tourism ecosystem that unlocks the potential of the country's regions," she said. According to Pryce, this will require improving the management of tourist destinations, enhancing transportation accessibility, developing hotel infrastructure and tourism services outside the capital, supporting local entrepreneurs, investing in professional skills development, and expanding air connectivity and access to international markets. (Trend, 09.07.2026)

●EBRD 代表団がアゼルバイジャン海運会社（ASCO）を訪問

A delegation from the EBRD visited Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping Company (ASCO), affiliated with AZCON Holding. The delegation was briefed on ASCO's strategic development priorities, the adoption of innovative solutions, corporate governance practices aligned with modern standards, and the company's upcoming projects. Following the meeting, the EBRD representatives visited the Surakhani Ship-Museum, where they toured the exhibition halls and learned about Azerbaijan's maritime history and shipping traditions. (Azertag, 08.07.2026)

●バクー証券取引所が新規株式公開（IPO）を通じたトルコ NP Petrol の株式上場を議論

The Baku Stock Exchange (BSE) has discussed the possibility of listing shares of Türkiye's NP Petrol through an initial public offering (IPO). According to the BSE, the exchange hosted a meeting with representatives of Global Menkul Değerler, one of Türkiye's investment firms, and its client, NP Petrol. The main focus of the meeting was the prospects for conducting NP Petrol's IPO on the Baku Stock Exchange. During the visit, the company's delegation held detailed discussions with the BSE's management and listing team on the listing process, regulatory requirements and the IPO mechanism in line with Azerbaijan's capital market legislation. The sides also reviewed a potential timeline and structure for the offering. A Listing Advisory Program (LAP) agreement was also signed between the Baku Stock Exchange and NP Petrol during the meeting. As part of the visit, the delegation met with several local investment companies to discuss potential underwriting opportunities, the structure of Azerbaijan's capital market, investor interest and market practices. (report.az, 08.07.2026)

●英国がアゼルバイジャンの保有する船舶「ザンゲズル」を制裁リストから除外

The Aframax-type "Zangezur" tanker, owned by a joint venture between ASCO, a company within AZCON Holding, and SOCAR, has been delisted from the United Kingdom's sanctions list, and the sanctions imposed on it have been fully lifted. The relevant decision was adopted by the United Kingdom's Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) on 7 July 2026. The positive resolution of the matter was made possible as a result of coordinated diplomatic and legal

efforts undertaken by the Azerbaijani state. In April of this year, by a relevant decision of the Council of the European Union, the ASCO-owned vessel “Zagatala”, as well as the “Shusha”, “Garabagh”, “Khankendi” and “Zangezur” tankers owned by the joint venture between ASCO and SOCAR, were also delisted from the European Union’s sanctions list. (Azertag, 09.07.2026)

●アゼルバイジャン航空が中国への新たな直行便就航（当館注：バクーから北京への直行便はすでに週 3 便運航）の可能性につき検討中

The Chinese market is among the destinations of interest for AZAL, and the airline is considering the possibility of opening several new routes to the country in the future, AZAL told on July 9. The airline said it is continuously analyzing the development of its route network and assessing new opportunities across various destinations. "Decisions on opening new flights are made after the necessary commercial and operational procedures are completed. Official information on specific destinations is announced only after a final decision is made," AZAL said. AZAL currently operates direct flights from Baku to Beijing three times a week. (report.az, 09.07.2026)

●アゼルバイジャン観光委員会によると上海・バクー便が来年 5 月に就航予定

A new direct air route between Azerbaijan and China will be launched next year, Florian Sengstschiid, CEO of the Azerbaijan Tourism Board, said on July 9. Direct Shanghai-Baku flights to be launched in May 2027, he said. According to him, Azerbaijan continues its efforts to expand access to new tourism markets. For this purpose, a representative office was opened in Beijing two months ago. Starting from May next year, a new direct air connection with China will be launched. Negotiations are also currently underway with other Chinese airlines. Florian Sengstschiid stated that until 2018, India was virtually absent from the list of countries sending tourists to Azerbaijan. However, last year, the number of tourists arriving in Azerbaijan from India reached 256,000–260,000. He noted that geopolitical tensions remain one of the main risk factors for the tourism sector, as political instability directly affects people's movement between countries. (Apa, 09.07.2026)

●世銀が「住みよいバクー」等アゼルバイジャンにおけるプロジェクトを準備中 農業・灌漑分野と環境再生分野における新規プロジェクトを検討中

The World Bank is continuing its work on developing the Middle Corridor and is also preparing to launch two new projects in Azerbaijan - in the fields of agriculture and irrigation, as well as environmental rehabilitation in Baku, World Bank’s Regional Director for the South Caucasus, Rolande Pryce said on July 9. Pryce noted that the areas of cooperation are determined by the country’s government’s requests. “We are currently actively preparing two projects. The first concerns agriculture and irrigation. We are working with the Ministry of Agriculture on a program that will help implement the new state program for the sector’s development. The project is expected to be submitted to the World Bank’s Board of Directors for consideration in mid-2027. The World Bank is preparing the Livable Baku project, which involves cleaning up lakes and reclaiming contaminated areas associated with past oil production activities. Project preparation is ongoing. “We expect to complete it and submit the project to the Board of Directors for consideration in the first half of 2027, tentatively in March or April,” Pryce pointed out. (Trend, 09.07.2026)

●金融情報機関の国際ネットワークであるエグモントグループが第 32 回総会をバクーで開催

On July 10, President Aliyev received Giles Thomson, President of the Financial Action Task Force and the Committee of Experts on the Evaluation of Anti-Money Laundering Measures and the Financing of Terrorism, and Director of Economic Crime and Sanctions at HM Treasury;

Kubanychbek Omuraliev, Secretary General of the Organization of Turkic States; Elżbieta Franków-Jaśkiewicz, Chair of the Egmont Group and Deputy Director of the Department of Financial Information at the Polish Ministry of Finance; Jérôme Beaumont, Executive Secretary of the Egmont Group and Deputy Director of the International Cooperation Department of the French Financial Intelligence Unit; Nicola Muccioli, Chairperson of MONEYVAL and Director of the San Marino Financial Intelligence Unit; Daniel Thelesklaf, Vice Chair of the Egmont Group and Head of Germany's Financial Intelligence Unit; and Mohammed bin Abdul Rahman Al-Muhanna, Vice Chair of the Egmont Group and Head of the Saudi Arabia Financial Investigation Unit. During the meeting, it was noted that Azerbaijan had hosted the annual plenary session of the Egmont Group, which was praised for its excellent organization and fruitful discussions. The meeting highlighted the successful cooperation between Azerbaijan and the organizations represented by the delegation. The sides also exchanged views on expanding their partnership. It was noted that Azerbaijan has been consistently implementing measures to combat money laundering and the financing of terrorism, achieving significant progress in this field. (Azertag, 10.07.2026)

On July 5-10, Baku hosted the 32nd Plenary Meeting of the Egmont Group, an international network of financial intelligence units, with officials calling for stronger information sharing and cooperation to combat financial crime. The meeting brought together heads of financial intelligence units and representatives of international organisations to discuss improving cooperation between financial intelligence units, law enforcement agencies, supervisory authorities, and financial sector representatives. The main theme of the 2026 plenary meeting was the development of stronger public-private partnerships amid the evolving nature of financial crime. Speaking at the event, Azerbaijan's Minister of Economy Mikayil Jabbarov said expanding the exchange of operational information between financial intelligence units and relevant authorities was essential to improving efforts against financial crimes, local media reports. Egmont Group Chair Elżbieta Franków-Jaśkiewicz said the meeting provided an important platform for financial intelligence units to exchange views and coordinate efforts in combating financial crime. Financial Action Task Force (FATF) President Giles Thomson emphasised the role of international cooperation, timely financial intelligence sharing, and global partnerships in addressing money laundering and terrorist financing threats. (caliber.az, 10.07.2026)

●第3回テュルク諸国機構（OTS）の財務情報機関国際フォーラムが開催

On July 10, the 3rd International Forum of Financial Intelligence Units of the Organization of Turkic States (OTS) commenced in Baku, organized by the Financial Monitoring Service of Azerbaijan. The forum aimed to further strengthen cooperation among the financial intelligence units of the OTS, promote the exchange of experience, and develop common approaches to combating financial crimes. A panel discussion with the participation of the heads of financial intelligence units of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Türkiye, Uzbekistan, and Hungary was also held as part of the forum. The panel explored the prospects for cooperation among the member states, the challenges of combating financial crimes, and opportunities for joint action. A memorandum on the establishment of the Cooperation Platform of Financial Intelligence Units of the Member States of the OTS was signed during the forum. The Cooperation Platform will strengthen cooperation among the financial intelligence units of the member states, promote the exchange of information and experience, and support joint initiatives to combat money laundering, the financing of terrorism, and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. (Azertag, 10.07.2026)

●カスピ海海運会社と ADB が協力に関するグリーン海運や脱炭素化及び DX 等につき意見交換

A meeting was held at the “Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping Company” CJSC (ASCO), a company under “AZCON Holding,” with a delegation from ADB. During the meeting, the delegation was provided with detailed information about the organization’s business needs, priority directions of activity, and its medium- and long-term development programs. The sides discussed measures put in place to form a modern, efficient, and sustainable fleet that responds to contemporary challenges. They held an exchange of views on planned projects related to green shipping, decarbonization, and the application of digital solutions. Representatives of the ADB highly appreciated ASCO’s strategic development goals and stated that they are ready to support projects to be implemented in this direction and to expand cooperation. (Azertag, 10.07.2026)

●第 29 回サムール川の水利権に関するアゼルバイジャン・ロシア共同委員会が開催

The 29th meeting of the Azerbaijan–Russia Joint Commission on the Allocation of Water Resources of the Samur Transboundary River was held on July 9 in Azerbaijan's Gusar district. The meeting was co-chaired by Zakir Guliyev, Azerbaijani Co-Chair of the Joint Commission and Chairman of the Board of the Regional Water Reclamation Service under the State Water Resources Agency of Azerbaijan (SWRA), and Vadim Nikonorov, Russian Co-Chair of the Joint Commission and Deputy Head of the Federal Agency for Water Resources of the Russian Federation. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Regional Water Reclamation Service, relevant institutions of the Azerbaijan State Water Resources Agency, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Digital Development and Transport, the State Service on Property Issues, and the State Border Service. The sides discussed the allocation of the Samur River's water resources between the two countries, water resource monitoring, Joint operation of the Samur Hydro-Engineering Complex, and other areas of bilateral cooperation. At the conclusion of the meeting, the parties identified follow-up measures and signed the final protocol. (Azertag, 10.07.2026)

●ママドフ外務副大臣が米ユタ州及びカリフォルニア州を訪問し AI 技術等に関する協力等につき意見交換

Azerbaijan's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Elnur Mammadov paid a working visit to the U.S. states of Utah and California from July 7 to July 9. The visit included meetings with political, academic, and business leaders in Utah, as well as representatives of leading technology companies. During his visit to Utah, Deputy Minister Mammadov held working meetings with Utah Senate President Stuart Adams, Jack Gerard, a member of the Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, University of Utah President Taylor Randall, and Miles Hansen, President of the Stirling Foundation. The discussions focused on opportunities for practical cooperation in a range of areas. Mammadov also delivered a presentation at the World Trade Center Utah, highlighting Azerbaijan's strategic role and investment and business opportunities to representatives of Utah's business and technology sectors. As part of his visit to California, the deputy foreign minister met with Ned Finkle, Vice President of International and Government Affairs at NVIDIA, at the company's headquarters. The two sides discussed potential areas of cooperation, particularly in technology and innovation. The Azerbaijani delegation also received a briefing at NVIDIA on the role of artificial intelligence in public administration, the impact of digital transformation on public services, and the application of cutting-edge technologies in government operations. In addition, the delegation visited the City of San José's Artificial Intelligence Center, where they exchanged information on municipal governance and the use of AI in public services, sharing experiences from both Azerbaijan and San José. (Azer News, 10.07.2026)

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