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At the first day of the forum was held the meeting of Coordinating Council. Firstly, participants have been acquainted with the Heydar Aliyev Museum, and stand with the photos of Honorary Doctors and members of ANAS.

Education Minister, Misir Mardanov, rectors of universities and deans of humanitarian faculties took part in the meeting of Coordinating Group.

Kamal Kamal Abdullayev, rector of Baku Slavic University, has opened the forum and greeted participants. He noted that 30 representatives from more than 20 universities of 8 CIS countries took part in the forum organized for the first time. According to him, Coordinating Group will discuss issues debated at the forum and cultural occasions planning to be organized. Moreover, on October 13 participants of the forum will visit the Alley of Honor to pay tribute to Heydar Aliyev, the national leader of Azerbaijan, and the Alley of Martyrs.

Later, the general meeting of the forum will be held and lectures will be listened. Within the forum, there are planning to organise sightseeing of Baku and other cultural occasions.

Efim Pivovarov, rector of the Russian State University for the Humanities, chairman of Russia-Azerbaijan Friendship Society underlined that the idea to hold the forum was suggested in the First Azerbaijan-Russia Forum on humanitarian cooperation organized in Baku in January 2010. Then, participants of the forum were received by the President of Azerbaijan, Ilham Aliyev and at the meeting the President emphasized the importance of development humanitarian cooperation between CIS countries. Afterwards, was begun realization of organizational works to hold the forum of rectors of humanitarian universities of CIS countries.

Efim Pivovarov thanked Azerbaijan for the organization of the forum and hosting the first meeting. According to him the realization of that initiative will positively affect the development of cooperation and friendship between humanitarian universities, as well as people of CIS countries.

At the first day of the forum, after the meeting of Coordinating Group, guests have been acquainted with the educational complex No. 132-134.