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Education Minister warmly welcomed the guest and expressed his satisfaction with seeing him at the Ministry. Noting the development of relations between Azerbaijan and Germany in recent years, the Minister underlined works done by the guest to establish a fruitful relationship in the education field of both countries. He also talked about the prosperous relationship established within the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), and underlined the support given by Azerbaijan and Germany to the project. Moreover, he stressed that more than 70 students from Azerbaijan have studied at universities of Germany within this program.

According to Mr Mardanov, there have been taken first steps to establish cooperation in the vocational education field as well. He gave information on candidates selected to be sent to the mentioned country and noted that currently they are studying at language courses. He also talked about the visit made by a group of specialists to the German Federal State Baden-Württemberg to become familiar with the vocational education system of this State.

Honorary Consul of Azerbaijan in Stuttgart Otto Hauser thanked the Minister for the warm reception. He talked about relations established in different fields and suggested to carry out personnel training for the vocational education area, as well as create Dual System of vocational education in Azerbaijan. The guest talked about priorities of the Dual System of vocational education and underlined the readiness of Germany to provide any form of support to works that will be implemented in this direction in the future.

Education Minister noted the development of the vocational education system in Germany and emphasized the advantage in receiving experience of this country in this field. He talked about attention paid by the President to the agricultural field, and underlined the need of the country for the agricultural and construction personnel, as well as importance for establishing cooperation in this direction with relevant establishments. The Minister suggested to implement the Dual system in Azerbaijan and also informed on the establishment of a Mayilli Vocational Centre carried out in partnership with the European Commission.

At the meeting, the parties exchanged views on the visit of the group of specialists from Germany to Azerbaijan in summer, drafting of Dual system of vocational education, as well as on other issues of common interest.