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The II ICESCO Ministerial Conference on PISA held in Baku on May 14 concluded its work.

The international conference organized by the Ministry of Science and Education, Islamic World Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ICESCO), in partnership with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) is dedicated to the topic “Overview of PISA 2022 results: global and regional trends”.

More than 40 representatives from 20 countries including Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, Kingdom of Bahrain, Latvia, Nigeria, Malaysia, Morocco, Brunei Darussalam, Lebanon, Sultanate of Oman, Gambia took part in the conference.

On the second day of the conference, which continued its work with panel sessions, interactive discussions were held on the role of the OECD in the participation of various countries in PISA, increasing the importance of PISA assessments for ICESCO member states, as well as the identification of educational priorities with PISA assessments.

The OECD’s efforts to make PISA accessible and relevant to more countries, and to improve national capacity to manage and analyze large-scale assessment design, as well as the possibilities of maximum use of countries’ participation in PISA studies in this direction, were discussed at the conference. In addition, the issue of increasing the cultural-contextual compatibility of PISA for ICESCO member states was touched upon in the sessions.

It should be noted that the purpose of the two-day conference was to identify key points and best practices that can be used to adapt countries’ assessment frameworks to their unique educational landscapes and develop more effective, relevant assessment systems.