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Students in grades 9-11 of secondary schools of Baku and Sumgayit participated in the contest jointly organized by Education, Youth and Sport ministries of Azerbaijan and Organization Madad.

The main goal of the contest is to select Azeri students who achieved significant research results and sent to the Intel ISEF International Science and Engineering Fair (USA). 116 students with 73 research projects are taking part in the contest held in 8 categories. The contest will end on February 9, and in each category the winners will be chosen and awarded by a jury consisting of scholars.

Education Minister Misir Mardanov made a speech at the ceremony and noted the importance of the contest. Stressing the contest held within the Intel ISEF is one of the prestigious contests in the world; the Minister expressed his hope that Azeri students will achieve great success. According to him, the accession of the country to the Intel ISEF contest is not accidental, and Azerbaijan has a strong scientific potential, which should be conserved and used effectively.

Speaking at the event Youth and Sports Minister Azad Rahimov and executive director of Organization Madad Vusal Khanlarov, Director of Institute of Petrochemical Processes of ANAS Vagif Abbasov and others stressed the importance of the contest.