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The event was attended by working staff of the ecological education and practice centers, tourism and ethnography centers operating in Baku, principals of the extracurricular educational institutions, methodologists and study group executives.

The goal in holding the seminar is to discuss prospects of the extracurricular educational institutions in the field of the environmental education and training of the pupils, work experience of the NGOs, their participation in public awareness events in this field.

At the event was also announced application of the new training methods in the study group's sessions by the staff of the ecological education and practice centers and efforts of the methodologists and study groups executives in the field of organization of the mass environmental actions, excursions and ecotours. Participants highlighted improvement of the study of the environmental knowledge in accordance with the modern standards, environmental protection and development of the environmental knowledge and skills for regular use of natural resources.

Implementation of the tasks arising from the "National Education Development Strategy of Azerbaijan Republic" in environmental education field, use of the international experience in the field of the environmental education and training also became subject of debate.

Vasif Mammadov, deputy director of the department of organization of the extracurricular activity made a speech, expressed his ideas on development prospects of the environmental education and noted the importance of application of the modern training methods and techniques. Also, Vasif Mammadov gave information about new development concept of the environmental awareness and practice centers to be prepared together with "GIZ" international organization.

Then, Lala Dadashova, deputy head of the National Ecological Education and Practice Center (NEEPC) made presentation of the efforts of this field.

Firuz Firuz Sultanzade, head of NEEPC gave detailed information about work experience of "Ecosphere" organization in the field of the ecological education and training, nearly 60 ecological projects implemented in cooperation with the international organizations. She proposed to reconstruct activities of the ecological education and training centers in Azerbaijan in accordance with the modern standards taking advantages of the positive experience of the leading countries of Europe in this field.

The seminar was continued with debates.