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Dear Dr Price

### **AZERBAIJAN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

The Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) would like to inform you that the Azerbaijan International Development Agency (AIDA) is inviting South African researchers to compete for "Visiting Research Fellowship Program" which offers research opportunities for international scholars specialising in the Caspian Sea region and Azerbaijan.

Candidates should either hold or be enrolled in a PhD programme. Preference will be given to candidates whose research background and interest match the topic selected from the list provided.

The "Visiting Research Fellowship Program" is carried out in cooperation with the following research institutions of Azerbaijan and is sponsored by the Azerbaijan International Development Agency (AIDA):

1. The Centre for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SAM) ([www.sam.gov.za](http://www.sam.gov.za));
2. The Research and Development Center – The Central Bank of the Republic of Azerbaijan ([www.cbar.az](http://www.cbar.az));
3. The Institute of Human Rights, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences ([www.ihr-za.org](http://www.ihr-za.org)).

The research opportunities for international scholars are provided in the following periods of the year:

**1. The Centre for Strategic Studies under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SAM)**

Sessions/appropriate dates	Application deadline
1 <sup>st</sup> session: 15 January – 15 April	15 December
2 <sup>nd</sup> session: 15 April – 30 June	15 March
3 <sup>rd</sup> session: <i>Normally not available but could be arranged under special request</i>	
4 <sup>th</sup> session: 15 September – 15 December	15 August

**2. The Research and Development Center – The Central Bank of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

Sessions/appropriate dates	Application deadline
1 <sup>st</sup> session: 15 January – 15 March	15 December
2 <sup>nd</sup> session: 15 April – 30 June	15 March
3 <sup>rd</sup> session: 1 July – 15 September	15 June
4 <sup>th</sup> session: 15 October – 15 December	15 September

**3. The Institute of Human Rights, Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences**

Sessions/appropriate dates	Application deadline
1 <sup>st</sup> session: 15 January – 15 April	15 December
2 <sup>nd</sup> session: 15 April – 30 June	15 March
3 <sup>rd</sup> session: 1 July – 15 September	15 June
4 <sup>th</sup> session: 15 September – 15 December	15 August

Attached please find further information received from the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan. For enquires regarding this programme or the application process, please send your request to [e\\_ahmadov@mfa.gov.az](mailto:e_ahmadov@mfa.gov.az)

Your assistance in sharing this opportunity with interested researchers would be appreciated.

Kind regards



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