



With the financial support of the U.S.Embassy in Azerbaijan, the Economic Researches Center (ERC) has completed the implementation of the project on the “Increasing of public awareness regarding with the implementation of the state program on education of Azerbaijani youth abroad in the years 2007-2015”. The main objective of the project was to increase transparency and accountability in the implemtation process of the “State Program on Education of Azerbaijani Youth Abroad in the Years 2007-2015” approved by the President of Azerbaijan Republic on April 16, 2007, and enable to create equal terms and conditions to all young people, who has necessary knowledge and skills.

With the framework of the project the State Program and legal framework that determines its implementation has been investigated, advanced foreign experience in this field has been studied, a comparative analysis has been carried out. Besides, the implementation process of the program has been investigated, surveys and interviews with representatives of the parties involved in this process have been conducted. During the research period, 13 request for information have been sent to the state agencies involved in the implementation of the program. The responses have been analyzed by the ERC experts. As a result, the expert group have deleoped a package of proposals and recommendations to improve the program’s implementation process, increase transparency and accountability in this sphere, and enable to create equal terms and conditions to all young people, who has necessary knowledge and skills.

One of the main directions of the project was conduction of awareness campaign on the opportunities of the program among interest groups; organizing of media campaign consisted of journalist investigation devoted to the progma and its implemenation process; organizing of round tables with the participation of interested and affected groups; as well as rendering of methodical and information assistance to young people to participate in this program.

The informative booklet and a poster have been prepared by ERC and distibuted among high school students. 6 smiliar seminars have been organized at universtities in Baku, Ganja, and Lankaran. A special book consisting of the most interesting questions and answer about the program and its implementation process have been prepared by ERC experts and have been distributed among interested groups. 6 articles, which covers various aspects of the State Program have been published in the national newspapers and web portals (“Yeni Mūsavat”, “Azadlıq”, “Bizim Yol” newspapers and “Qafqazinfo”, “Mediaforum” və “ann.az” web portals)

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