



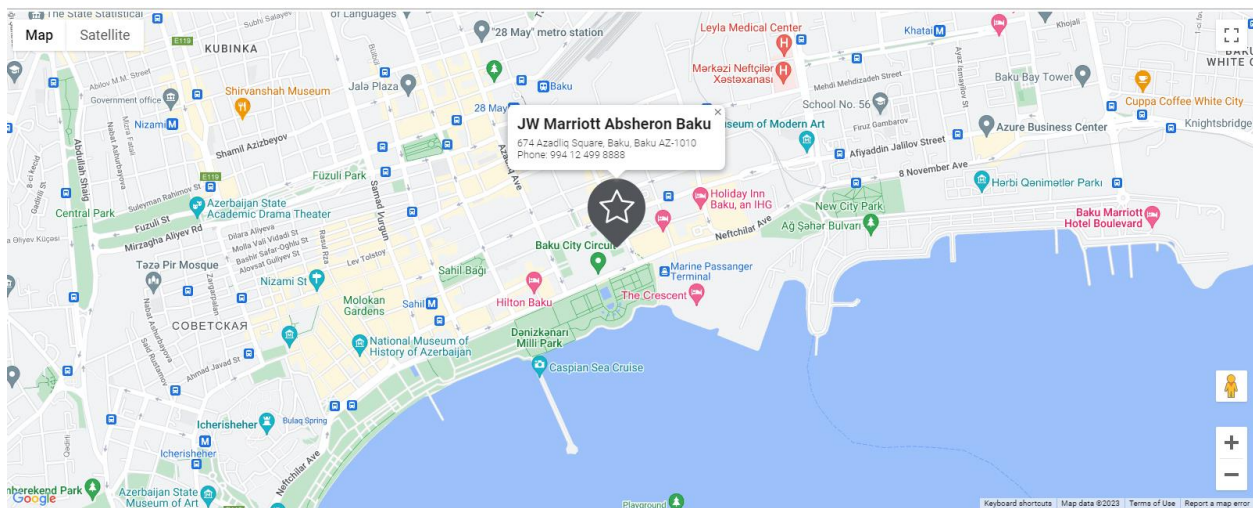
**THE SECOND BAKU FORUM ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT  
SUSTAINABLE FINANCE AND INVESTMENT**

**BAKU, AZERBAIJAN  
15-16 NOVEMBER 2023**

**LOGISTICS NOTE**

## VENUE OF THE FORUM

Two days high-level Second Baku Forum on Sustainable Development will be held in the capital city of Baku, Azerbaijan on 15-16 November 2023 (Wednesday and Thursday) at JW Marriott Hotel Absheron Baku.



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## AIRPORT / TRANSPORTATION

The Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD) in Baku is located 20 kilometers from Baku's central business district. The Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD) complies with international requirements. Due to its favorable geographical location, it has become a first-choice regional airport for transfer flights between East and West, North and South. To assist participants

attending 2<sup>nd</sup> Baku Forum on Sustainable Development, an indicated airport welcome desk will be set up at the The Heydar Aliyev International Airport (GYD) during the Forum.

## **ACCOMMODATION**

"**JW Marriott Absheron Baku**" is the recommended hotel for the participants' stay during the Forum. All participants are responsible for securing their own hotel reservations. For JW Absheron Marriott Baku, there is a special discounted rate of 160 USD per night, excluding 18% of VAT and Municipality fee of USD 0.77 and inclusive of breakfast, available for a limited number of rooms. To benefit from this discount, please contact [aysel.mustafayeva@marriott.com](mailto:aysel.mustafayeva@marriott.com) until October 27<sup>th</sup>. Alternatively, participants can handle their accommodation through booking platforms for the hotels in walking distance to the venue such as Radisson Hotel Baku.

## **REGISTRATION AND IDENTIFICATION BADGES**

Participants are kindly asked to register and obtain identification badges at the registration desk prior to the welcoming reception on 15 November 2023. Furthermore, participants are kindly requested to wear them throughout the Forum.

## **LANGUAGE OF THE FORUM**

All the Forum-related events will be held in Azerbaijani, English and Russian with simultaneous translation.

## **VISA AND ENTRY INFORMATION FOR AZERBAIJAN**

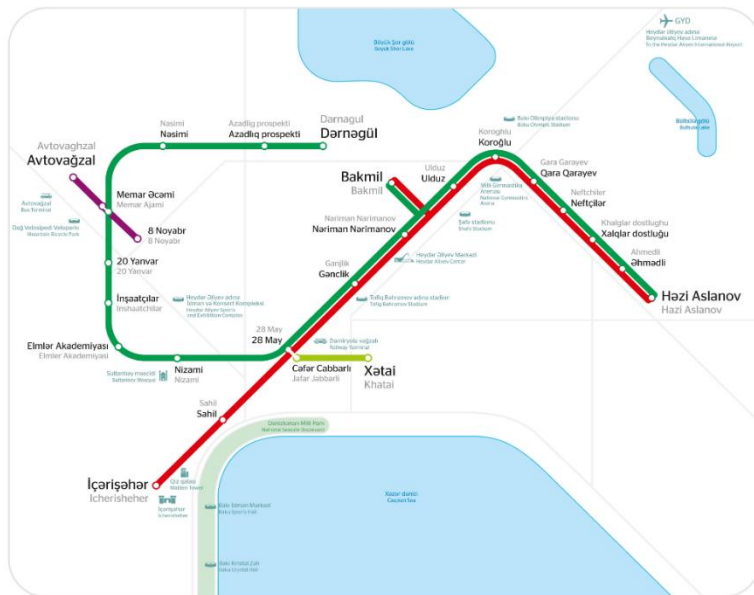
Participants should obtain entry visas to Azerbaijan, if required. For more information on Azerbaijani visas please refer to: <https://evisa.gov.az/en/>.

In all cases, please note that you must hold a passport/travel document that is valid for at least six (6) months from the date of your entry into Azerbaijan.

## **INSURANCE**

Organizers of the Forum are not responsible for the any medical, accident and travel insurance. It is recommended the international medical insurance be obtained for the period of participation.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION



Public transportation (taxis, metro and buses) is available throughout the city. Baku has a metro system, which operates between 6 am and 12 am. Stations, trains, and facilities are clean and safe with trains running every two to three minutes. There are 3 lines: the Red Line from Icherisheher to Hazi Aslanov, the Green Line from Khatai to Darnagul, the Purple Line from Avtovağzal to 8 noyabr.

Bus schedules are generally available at bus stops. Taxis are also widely available as an alternative option.

### *Special Note:*

Transportation from airport to hotels, and vice versa will be organized by the event organizers through assembly desks at the airport/hotels. Nevertheless, there is also option an airport shuttle service available from the airport to the city. The information on the schedule and departures can be found on the following webpage: <https://www.aeroexpress.az/>.

## SAFETY AND SECURITY

The country is absolutely as a safe tourist destination and offers the opportunity to easily explore, discover and enjoy your surroundings. The emergency numbers are available 24 hours a day.

### EMERGENCIES

- Fire: 101
- Police: 102
- Ambulance: 103



## BAKU IS THE CAPITAL OF AZERBAIJAN

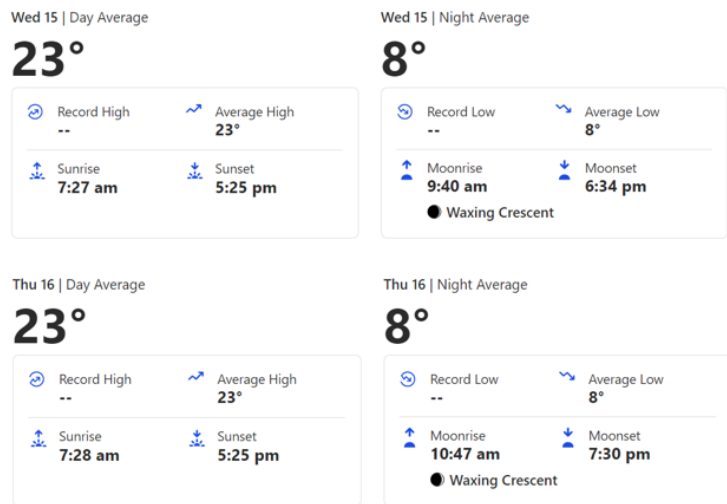
The largest cultural center of Azerbaijan- Baku is the place where a national theatre, the first in Muslim East, lifted the curtain, the first opera was performed, the first Azerbaijan newspaper was published, the first Azerbaijan library was opened. Today Baku is known to have museums, theatres, institutions of higher education, philharmonic, opera theatre, film studio, cinema theaters and libraries housed in the city's most beautiful buildings having an interior decoration which is every bit as good as their interior cultural content. Also, the old city is a maze of alleys, mosques, historic buildings and remnants of fortification, including the Palace of the Shirvanshahs and the Maiden Tower, now listed among UNESCO's World Heritage Sites.



## CLIMATE

### Forecasted weather in Baku, 15-16 November 2023.

Generally, in Azerbaijan, the climate is slightly continental, with relatively cold winters and hot summers. It is also arid in most of the low-lying areas, while it is colder and generally rainier in the mountains. The usual average temperatures in Baku in November are between 10° and 20°C.



## LANGUAGE

Official language in Azerbaijan is Azerbaijani.

## CURRENCY AND BANKING HOURS

The national currency unit in Azerbaijan is the Azerbaijan Manat (AZN). Banknotes in circulation are 1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 and 500 manat. Coins in circulation are 1, 3, 5, 10, 20 and 50 qepiks. ATMs are common throughout Baku. The operational exchange rate as of 03 September 2023 is 1 US dollar = 1,7 AZN.

Foreign currency may be exchanged for the Azerbaijan Manat at any bank. Cashless/bank card payments are widely accepted in Baku. Most accept foreign credit cards (preferably Visa and Mastercard) and many allow withdrawals in both AZN and US dollars.

Banking hours are primarily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays. Most banks are closed on public holidays and Sundays. The hotels have ATMs available in their lobby.

## TIME ZONE

UTC/GMT +4 hours.

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INTERNET

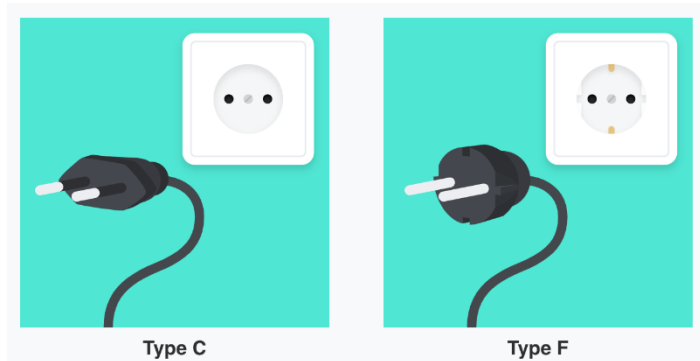
Generally, roaming agreements are in place with most international phone companies. SIM cards can be purchased at local phone stores (ID required). The international country code of Azerbaijan is +994. Cafes, parks and restaurants have a WiFi connection available.

## MOBILE OPERATORS

- Azercell
- Bakcell
- Nar Mobile

## ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

For Azerbaijan, there are two associated plug types, types C and F. Plug type C is the plug with two round pins and plug type F has two round pins with two earth clips on the side. Azerbaijan operates on a 220 V supply voltage and 50 Hz.



## CONTACT INFORMATION

For more information on the Forum, please visit to our web-site- [www.sdg.info.az](http://www.sdg.info.az).

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