

THE FOURTH BAKU INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS “ENERGY, ECOLOGY, ECONOMY”

The Fourth Baku International Congress "Energy, Ecology, Economy" was organized and hosted by the International Ecoenergy Academy from 23 to 26 September of 1997 under UNESCO auspices. The main purpose of this Congress was to discuss and disseminate the latest knowledge in energy technology and its consequential environmental effects as well as the results of researches on the Caspian ecology and the “Contract of the Century”, the Northern and Western oil pipelines and Silk Road issues. Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, State Oil Company of Azerbaijan Republic, “Azerenerji” Joint-Stock Company, Clean Energy Research Institute of USA and the ABOK company of Russia were among the Fourth Congress organizers.

The Congress opened by the Congress chairman prof. F. Aliyev. Keynote addresses were made by F. Magsudov, the president of Azerbaijan Academy of Sciences, N. Aliyev, president of SOCAR and M. Imanov, president of “Azerenerji” JSC. The Opening Ceremony was attended by senior officials, foreign ambassadors, representatives of UN and foreign companies.

Well-known scientists from USA, UK, France, Spain, Japan, Iran, Turkey, Russia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan took part in the work of the 4th Congress.

The Congress Programme included plenary meetings and technical sessions, visits and cultural events.

Prof. **A. J. Vazquez** (Spain), prof. **Yu. Tabunchikov** (Russia), prof. **C.**

Abdullayev (Uzbekistan), dr. **J. Bown** (UK), prof. **A. Obozov** (Kyrgyzstan) and prof. **V. Kakabadze** (Georgia) delivered interesting scientific lectures at plenary sessions.

More than 180 reports were presented in 3 sections:

- Ecological problems of the Caspian Sea
- Ecological problems of Northern and Western Pipeline Routes
- Energy saving and renewable energy resource