**Ministry of Youth and Sport of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

**Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

In collaboration with (a state organ, NGO which are working with Universities/ Scientific Research Centers or youths)

Announcing the Essay Contest

“What do I know about Azerbaijan?”

The Contest is open for youths at age between 18-29 years.

Essays shall not exceed 2500 words.

Essays must be submitted in English language.

Essays must be written with Arial 12 font and sent to the email……………..in Word and PDF formats before 30 June, 2017.

The following documents must be submitted along with essays:

 - Application form (attached – appendix 1)

 - Biography (CV)

 - Passport copy

**The winners will obtain a right to participate in the cultural-historical visit tour to Azerbaijan.**

During selection process of winners, a special attention will be paid to sufficient scientific ground and basis, list of the used references/literatures, indications of exact historical sources, as well as to the authenticity of the information covered in the essays.

Only citizens of the Republic of Slovenia are eligible to participate in the Contest.

Topics of the Contest:

**Within the framework of the general topics, participants can choose a special topic relevant to their field of interests, education, scientific and specialized areas.**

**NOTE:** During the travel to Azerbaijan the winners will be expected to perform/present the music, dance or national cuisine of Slovenia.

Further information and sources of literature can be inquired from the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the Republic of Slovenia.

Appendix 1

Essay writing contest among the youths on the topic of “What do I know about Azerbaijan?”

**APPLICATION FORM**

Photo

(3x4 size)

**1. Contact details**

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| 1. Name |  |
| 2. Surname |  |
| 3. Date of birth (day, month, year) |  |
| 4. Country |  |
| 5. Address |  |
| 6.Telephone |  |
| 7. Fax |  |
| 8. E-mail |  |

**2. Other information**

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| 9. Name of the work place or educational institution |  |
| 10. Address of the work place or educational institution  |  |
| 11. Topic of the essay |  |

**Recommended topics**

**For the essay writing contest of**

**“What do I know about Azerbaijan?”**

 - Heydar Aliyev: National Leader of Azerbaijan

 - Armenian-Azerbaijani conflict. Realities of Karabakh

 - History, art and culture of Azerbaijan

 - Population, language and traditions of Azerbaijan

 - Role of Azerbaijan in International Politics

 - Azerbaijan and Indonesia: Historical relations and perspectives

 - Economic development of Azerbaijan

 - Oil and gas strategy of Azerbaijan

 - Azerbaijan in ancient sources/literatures

Note: It is not important to select the title precisely under those the listed above.