We believe that tangible results of the combat against corruption can be achieved in the long term by means of institutional reforms, perfection of legislation and development of the private sector. At the initial anti-corruption stage such measures as attraction of the public attention to problems of corruption and education of the populace, and first of all, of the civil society play a crucial role. Only all these measures combined will change the public opinion towards intolerance of corruption and promote establishment of the anti-corruption coalition of the civil society, mass media and other healthy forces of the society, who will lobby for efficient anti-corruption policy of the state.

The core of the project is to create a Transparency in Azerbaijan web site to serve as an electronic database of materials on corruption and anti-corruption efforts in Azerbaijan, Central and Eastern Europe, CIS countries and far-abroad countries in English, Russian and Azeri languages. Need to create such a site is supported by requests to Transparency Azerbaijan from to various NGOs, researchers and others to provide with materials on corruption

This web site will perform the following functions:

- provide the site users with information on curbing of corruption and increase of transparency in Azerbaijan and over the world (laws, normative acts of Azerbaijan and other countries, international agreements, indices of corruption, national anti-corruption programs, proposals to perfect anti-corruption legislation, etc.);
- provide the site users (lawyers, economists, sociologists and others) with a mechanism to propose their commentaries and exchange views on the problem of corruption;
- create a virtual coalition to curb corruption and increase transparency in Azerbaijan;
- improve business ethics standards of local companies.

The web site offers materials in Azeri and Russian languages. Azeri version of the site also offers materials in Russian.

The main page contains information on Transparency International and its national chapter - Transparency Azerbaijan. It also has references to two sites of Transparency International, where additional information can be found: [www.transparency.org/acrc/azerbaijan/index.html](http://www.transparency.org/acrc/azerbaijan/index.html) and [http://admin.corisweb.org](http://admin.corisweb.org)
The main page has the following frames:

1. Legislation
2. Publications
3. Indices and ratings
4. Business ethics
5. Cartoons
6. Forum
7. Our supporters
8. News
9. Links
10. Our contacts
11. Surveys

The Legislation frame is broken down into Azerbaijani legislation, Commentaries and Proposals to Azerbaijan Legislation and Draft Laws, Foreign Legislation; Addition Materials. The Publications frame is subdivided into Publications of Transparency International, Transparency Azerbaijan and Foreign Materials. The Indices and Ratings frame offers information on indices and ratings of corruption. The Business Ethics frame offers information on codes of ethics in Azerbaijan and beyond. The Cartoons frame has cartoons by a well known Azeri cartoonist Rashid Sherif. Our Supporters frame will have information on our supporters by the end of the project. The News and Conferences frame includes relevant information on conferences and training in Azerbaijan and beyond by Transparency Azerbaijan and other NGOs. The Links frame offers a list of addresses of 110 sites with materials on corruption. Our Contacts frame has information on our founders and staff members. The Surveys frame has a technical capability to organize on-line surveys. This mechanism will be developed at the subsequent project stage. Forum for discussion of corruption related problems is expected to be actively used at the second stage of the project after completion of the site and project presentation. The Forum has mechanism for automatic registration of users.

Transparency Azerbaijan
National anti-corruption resource center project

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The national anti-corruption center began its work in September 2002. The Center was established with financial support of the European Commission and technical support of Transparency International. The center is open to NGO representatives, students, researchers and journalists, researching into problems of corruption. Visitors can use library materials, a PC, Internet, free of charge and assisted to find all the information necessary. Visitors can photocopy all materials. The library offers materials on corruption, economy, law, human rights, political science, Azerbaijani legislation, as well as foreign legislation. We have collected, classified and catalogued over 500 documents, including media publications, conference materials, presentations, analytical reports, results of sociologic surveys, laws and other normative acts, books, NGO projects in Azerbaijan and beyond. Over 50 documents were translated into Azeri.

All materials of the center have been systematized and catalogued in a hard copy and electronic forms. Two types of catalogues: alphabetic and systemic will facilitate search for materials. As of date the center has accepted 230 visitors, mostly undergraduate and graduate students and professors of Economic University, Academy of State Administration, Khazar University.

The resource center is located at the Transparency Azerbaijan office at Ahmad Javad street 5, floor 2, flat 6 tel. 92 04 22, project manager – Shamsiya Alieva. The center services are free of charge and available to everybody. Opening hours are 10.00-18.00 Monday to Friday.
The resource center is a part to the CORIS (corruption on-line research information system), a global project of Transparency International. CORIS has materials on corruption and combat against corruption in many languages of the world. As of today, CORIS has 112 publications on corruption in Azerbaijan in Azeri, English and Russian languages and researches on other countries in the Azeri language.