

## “Caspian Basin: Ecogeographical Problems and Sustainable Development”

*dedicated to the 75th Anniversary of the birth of prominent scientist and Corresponding Member of the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, professor Amin Ismayilov*

The International Scientific Conference entitled “*Caspian Basin: Ecogeographical Problems and Sustainable Development*” is dedicated to the **75th Anniversary of the Birth** of prominent scientist and Corresponding Member of the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, professor **Amin Ismayilov**. The conference will be held on **June 10–11, 2026**, in **Baku**, and will be organized by the Institute of Geography of the Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

The aim of the conference is to provide a scientifically grounded analysis of ecological and geographical processes occurring in the Caspian Basin in the context of global climate change, to investigate existing ecogeographical problems, and to identify directions for sustainable development. Within the framework of the event, discussions will focus on the conservation of biodiversity, the efficient management of natural resources, and issues of environmental safety in the region.

The Caspian Basin, being one of the regions of strategic importance in ecological, economic, and social terms, has in recent years undergone significant transformations under the influence of factors such as climate change, the expansion of industrial and energy activities, fluctuations in sea level, and the decline of biodiversity. In this regard, the conference will serve as an important international platform for strengthening scientific cooperation between local and foreign researchers and for jointly addressing current challenges.

### Main Conference Topics

#### 1. Physical-Geographical Characteristics and Ecosystems of the Caspian Basin

- *Hydrology, hydrodynamics, and hydrometeorology of the Caspian Sea*
- *Research features of marine and coastal ecosystems*

#### 2. Climate Change and Environmental Risks in the Caspian Region

- *Climate variability, its regional manifestations and impacts, and future projections (CMIP6)*
- *Sea level fluctuations in the Caspian Sea and their ecological consequences*

#### 3. Global Warming and Desertification Processes in Coastal Areas

- *Impact of global warming on the water balance of the Caspian Sea and coastal landscapes*
- *Coastal zone management*

#### 4. Coastal Zone Management and Biodiversity Conservation

- *Coastal landscapes and ecosystems*
- *Conservation and restoration of biodiversity*

#### 5. Fluctuations in the Caspian Sea Level

- *Analysis of key natural and anthropogenic factors affecting sea level variability*
- *Forecasts of possible future sea level changes*
- *Adaptation strategies to Caspian Sea level fluctuations*

#### 6. Biodiversity and Bioresources

- *Impacts of climate variability and sea level changes on biodiversity and bioresources of the Caspian Sea*
- *Development prospects of aquaculture and mariculture*

#### 7. Natural Resource Use and Environmental Safety Issues

- *Environmental impacts of the oil and gas industry*
- *Pollution and environmental monitoring*

## **8. Socio-Economic Development and Sustainability Challenges in the Caspian Region**

- *Regional development and resource management*
- *Environmental policy and governance*

## **9. Regional and International Environmental Cooperation**

- *Transboundary environmental problems*
- *Scientific cooperation among Caspian littoral states*

### **Submission & Publication Details**

Papers will be accepted until **May 31, 2026**. All submitted manuscripts will undergo a **peer-review process**, and accepted papers will be published in the official conference proceedings. Each published paper will be assigned an **international DOI (Digital Object Identifier)**, and the conference proceedings will be issued with an **ISBN**, ensuring wide academic recognition and accessibility.

Selected high-quality papers will be **recommended for publication in internationally indexed journals**.

Authors are kindly requested to submit their manuscripts to **conferences.geo@gmail.com**, indicating the **title of the conference in the subject line** of the email.

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**Page size:** A4

**Margins (top, bottom, left, right):** 2 cm

**Font:** Times New Roman, 12 pt

**Line spacing:** single (1.0)

**Length of the paper:** 4–7 pages

**Originality:** at least 70%

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- ✓ Title of the article (in uppercase letters, bold, centered, font size 12);
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- ✓ **Introduction**
- ✓ **Methodology**
- ✓ **Analysis and Discussion**
- ✓ **Conclusion**

### References

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