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Labor and Social Protection Minister Fizuli Alekperov has received Enterprise and Employment Minister of Gibraltar Bossano Gioia, who arrived in Baku to participate in 23 forum of Crans Montana on Friday, the ministry said on Friday.

The main purpose of the meeting was to provide information on socio-economic reforms carried out in Azerbaijan and discussion of future cooperation.

Alekperov said more than a million new jobs were created for over the past eight years, unemployment fell to 5.6 percent, the poverty rate - from 49 to 7.6 percent.

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