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## Agreement signed on holding Grand Prix stage of Formula 1 race in Baku



**Washington, D.C. – April 30, 2014** – An official agreement on holding one of the stages of the Grand Prix Formula 1 race in Baku in 2016, has been signed in the Azerbaijani capital, spokesperson of the Ministry of Youth and Sports Samaya Mammadova told Trend on April 30.

The race, likely to be called the "European Grand Prix", will take place in 2016 - a year after Baku hosts the First European Games.

Azerbaijan will be the second country in the former USSR (after Russia) to host the Grand Prix stage of the Formula 1 races.

The race will take place around the streets of Baku.

The agreement was signed with the president of Formula 1, Bernie Ecclestone.

The championship's calendar consists of 19 stages, with the possibility of its expansion to 22 stages per year. Thailand, South Africa, Greece, Argentina and Mexico also claim to be included in the calendar.

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