

KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON GERMANY / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 11 July 1951
 - The Federal Republic of Germany (FRG) became a UNESCO member on 11 July 1951, well before it joined the UN on 18 Sept 1973
 - The German Democratic Republic (GDR) for its part had joined UNESCO in November 1972; it joined UNESCO before its membership at the UN in Sept 1973, when both German States became members of the UN
 - Following the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 and through the accession of the GDR to the Federal Republic of Germany, with effect from 3 Oct 1990, the two German States united to form one sovereign State. As from the above date of reunification, the FRG acts in the UN and UNESCO under the designation “Germany”.

2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** Yes (Term expires in 2017)
Chairperson: H.E. Mr Michael Worbs (Term expires in 2017)

3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:** 9
 - International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and Biosphere (Term ends in 2017)
 - Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (Term expires in 2019); Vice-Chairperson: Mr Johannes Cullmann
 - Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (Term ends in 2017)
 - Legal Committee (Term ends in 2017)
 - Conciliation and Good Offices Commission Responsible for Seeking the Settlement of any Disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education ; Member: Mr Eibe Riedel (Term expires: 42nd General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
 - Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning (former UNESCO Institute for Education, UIE); Member: Mr Walter Hirche (Term expires: 31 December 2015)
 - Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions; Member (Term expires in 2019)
 - Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (Term expires: 39th General Conference)

4. **The Director-General’s visits to Germany:** 8
 - 28-30 June 2015 (Bonn): Opening ceremony of the 39th session of the World Heritage Committee
 - 5 March 2014 (Berlin): International Tourism Bourse, where UNESCO, UNWTO and UNODC jointly launched an international campaign “Travel, Don’t Traffic”
 - 29-31 January 2014 (Berlin): First meeting of the Scientific Advisory Board
 - 28-29 May 2013 (Berlin): Conference MINEPS V
 - 10 October 2012: Celebration of the inscription of “The Construction and Fall of the Berlin Wall and the Two-Plus-Four-Treaty of 1990” to the Memory of the World Register
 - 24 May 2012 (Hamburg): UIL 60th anniversary celebration
 - 22-28 June 2011 (Berlin and Dresden): 60th anniversary of Germany’s accession to UNESCO and 40th anniversary of the MAB Programme
 - 30 October 2010 (Düsseldorf): Gala of the Foundation for UNESCO for the Education of Children in Need

5. **The former Director-General’s visits to Germany:** 6
 - 21-22 February 2007: signature of the Host Agreement and the Administrative Agreement on the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
 - 6-7 July 2006: Stuttgart, “UNESCO World Youth Festival”, in the framework of the 2006

- FIFA World Cup
- 25 October 2004: opening session of the International Experts Meeting on Technical and Vocational Education and Training “Learning for Work, Citizenship and Sustainability”
- December 2001: Berlin, COMEST meeting
- July 2000: Bonn, signature of the Host Agreement for the establishment of the UNESCO-UNEVOC Centre
- March 2000: official visit

6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:

- H.E. Mr Michael Worbs, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 7 September 2012)
- Staff: Mr Reinhard Hassenpflug, Deputy Permanent Delegate; Mr Uwe Noack, Third Secretary; Dr Jens Streckert, Chargé de mission; Ms Claudia Domagala, Attaché
- Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Ms Martina Nibbeling-Wrießnig (July 2009 – August 2012); H.E. Mr Günter Overfeld (January 2007 – July 2009); H.E. Mr Hans-Heinrich Wrede (September 2002 – January 2007)

7. German Commission for UNESCO:

- Date of establishment: 1951
- President: Mrs Verena Metze-Mangold
- Vice-President: Prof. Dr. Christoph Wulf
- Second Vice-President: Prof. Dr. Hartwig Lüdtke
- Secretary-General: Mr Roland Bernecker

8. UNESCO Institutes: 2

- UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning (UIL) (formerly UNESCO Institute for Education), Hamburg
- UNESCO International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (UNEVOC), Bonn

9. German personalities linked to UNESCO activities:

- Ms Ute-Henriette Ohoven, UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador for the Education of Children in Need
- Mr Michael Schumacher, UNESCO Champion for Sports
- Brenz Band (German folk orchestra of handicapped musicians), UNESCO Artist for Peace
- Prof. Jörg Hinrich Hacker (President of the German National Academy of Sciences), member of the United Nations Secretary-General’s Scientific Advisory Board
- Mr Walter Hirche, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
- Mr Günter Blobel, participant in the second meeting of the High Panel on Peace and Dialogue among Cultures (11 March 2011, New York)
- Dr Margarete van Ess, Member of the International Coordination Committee for the Safeguarding of the Cultural Heritage of Iraq
- Mr Johannes Cullmann, Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme
- Mr Klaus Hüfner, member of the Conciliation and Good Offices Commission Responsible for Seeking the Settlement of any Disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education (term expires in 2015)
- Prof. Dr Wolfram Mauser, Member of UNESCO’s High Panel on Science and Technology for Development

10. UNESCO Chairs: 11

- UNESCO Chair in Marine Geology and Coastal Management (1997), Christian Albrechts University of Kiel

- UNESCO Chair in Human Rights Education (2001), Otto-von-Guericke University of Magdeburg
 - UNESCO Chair in Heritage Studies (2003), Brandenburg Technical University, Cottbus
 - UNESCO Chair in Higher Education for Sustainable Development (2005), University of Lueneburg
 - UNESCO Chair in International Relations (2009), Technical University of Dresden
 - UNESCO Chair in Entrepreneurship and Intercultural Management (2010), Bergische Universität Wuppertal
 - UNESCO Chair in Arts and Culture in Education (2010), Friedrich Alexander Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg
 - UNESCO Chair in Hydrological Change and Water Resources Management (2010), RWTH Aachen University
 - UNESCO Chair in Cultural Policy for the Arts in Development (2012), University of Hildesheim
 - UNESCO Chair in World Cultural and Urban Landscapes (2012), The Rheinisch-Westfälische Technische Hochschule Aachen
 - UNESCO Chair on Freedom of Communication and Information (2013), University of Hamburg and the Hans Bredow Institute for Media Research
- 11. Associated Schools:** 196 (1 nursery and pre-school, 22 primary, 19 primary and secondary, 137 secondary schools, 3 teacher-training and 14 vocational and technical institutions). Germany is one of the founding Member States of the ASP Network in 1953. Many German ASPnet schools are engaged in Education for Sustainable Development activities.
- 12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** International Centre on Water Resources and Global Change (established in 2009)
- 13. UNESCO Clubs:** 11
- 14. Biosphere Reserves:** 15
- Flusslandschaft Elbe (1979, extension in 1997)
 - Vessertal-Thüringen Forest (1979, extension in 1986/1990)
 - Berchtesgaden Alps (1990)
 - Wadden Sea and Hallig Islands of Schleswig-Holstein (1990, extended in 2004)
 - Schorfheide-Chorin (1990)
 - Spreewald (1991)
 - Rügen (1991)
 - Rhön (1991)
 - Waddensea of Lower Saxony (1992)
 - Waddensea of Hamburg (1992)
 - Oberlausitzer Heide- und Teichlandschaft (1996)
 - Pfälzerwald / Vosges du Nord (transboundary with France) (1998)
 - Schaalsee (2000)
 - Biosphäre Bliesgau (2009)
 - Swabian Alb (2009)
- 15. Global Geoparks Sites:** 6
- Vulkaneifel Global Geopark
 - TERRA.vita Global Geopark
 - Bergstrasse-Odenwald Global Geopark
 - Swabian Alb Global Geopark
 - Global Geopark Harz Braunschweiger Land Ostfalen
 - Muskau Arch Transnational Global Geopark (Germany and Poland)

16. World Heritage Sites: 40 (37 cultural and 3 natural)

Cultural:

- Aachen Cathedral (1978)
- Speyer Cathedral (1981)
- Würzburg Residence with the Court Gardens and Residence Square (1981)
- Pilgrimage Church of Wies (1983)
- Castles of Augustusburg and Falkenlust at Brühl (1984)
- St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Michael's Church at Hildesheim (1985)
- Roman Monuments, Cathedral and Church of Our Lady in Trier (1986)
- Hanseatic City of Lübeck (1987)
- Frontiers of the Roman Empire (transboundary with the United Kingdom) (1987, extension in 2005 and 2008)
- Palaces and Parks of Potsdam and Berlin (1990, extension in 1992 and 1999)
- Abbey and Altenmünster of Lorsch (1991)
- Mines of Rammelsberg and the Historic Town of Goslar and Upper Harz Water Management System (1992)
- Town of Bamberg (1993)
- Maulbronn Monastery Complex (1993)
- Collegiate Church, Castle and Old Town of Quedlinburg (1994)
- Völklingen Ironworks (1994)
- Bauhaus and its sites in Weimar and Dessau (1996)
- Cologne Cathedral (1996)
- Luther Memorials in Eisleben and Wittenberg (1996)
- Classical Weimar (1998)
- Museumsinsel (Museum Island) (1999)
- Wartburg Castle (1999)
- The Garden Kingdom of Dessau-Wörlitz (2000)
- Monastic Island of Reichenau in Essen (2000)
- Zollverein Coal Mine Industrial Complex (2001)
- Upper Middle Rhine Valley (2002)
- Historic Centres of Stralsund and Wismar (2002)
- The Town Hall and Roland on the Marketplace of Bremen (2004)
- Muskauer Park / Park Muzakowski (transboundary with Poland) (2004)
- Old town of Regensburg with Stadtamhof (2006)
- Berlin Modernism Housing Estates (2008)
- Prehistoric Pile Dwellings around the Alps (2011)
- Fagus Factory in Alfeld (2011)
- Margravial Opera House Bayreuth (2012)
- Bergpark Wilhelmshöhe (2013)
- Carolingian Westwork and Civitas Corvey (2014)
- Speicherstadt and Kontorhaus District with Chilehaus (2015)

Natural:

- Messel Pit Fossil Site (1995)
- Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and the Ancient Beech Forests of Germany (jointly with Slovakia and Ukraine) (2007, extension in 2011)
- The Wadden Sea (transboundary with the Netherlands) (2009)

17. Tentative List: 18 properties

- Francke Foundation Buildings (1999)
- The Naumburg Cathedral and the landscape of the rivers Saale and Unstrut an important

- dominion in the High Middle Ages (1999)
- L'œuvre architecturale et urbaine de Le Corbusier – deux maisons du Weissenhof-Siedlung à Stuttgart (2007)
- VIKING MONUMENTS AND SITES / Danevirke and Hedeby (2011)
- Mining Cultural Landscape Erzgebirge/Krušnohoří (2012)
- Great Spas of Europe (2014)
- The Jewish Cemetery of Altona Königstraße. Sephardic Sepulchral Culture of the 17th and 18th century between Europe and the Caribbean (2015)
- Alpine and pre-alpine meadow and marsh landscapes (historic anthropogenic landscapes in the area of “Werdenfelser Land”, “Ammergau”, “Staffelseegebiet” and “Murnauer Moos”, district Garmisch-Partenkirchen) (2015)
- ShUM cities of Speyer, Worms and Mainz (2015)
- Residence Ensemble Schwerin – Cultural Landscape of Romantic Historicism (2015)
- The Bauhaus and associated sites in Weimar, Dessau and Bernau (2015)
- Darmstadt Artists' Colony Mathildenhöhe (2015)
- Old Synagogue and Mikveh in Erfurt – Testimonies of everyday life, religion and town history between change and continuity (2015)
- Dreams in Stone – the palaces of King Ludwig II of Bavaria: Neuschwanstein, Linderhof and Herrenchiemsee (2015)
- Hydraulic Engineering and Hydropower, Drinking Water and Decorative Fountains in Augsburg (2015)
- Caves with the oldest Ice Age art (2015)
- Luther memorials in Saxony-Anhalt, Saxony, Bavaria and Thuringia (2015)
- Frontiers of the Roman Empire (2015)

18. Intangible Heritage Lists: no elements

19. Memory of the World Register: 20 inscriptions

- Early cylinder recordings of the world's musical traditions (1893-1952) in the Berlin Phonogramm-Archiv (1999)
- Ludwig van Beethoven - Symphony n°9, d-minor, op.125 (2001)
- The literary estate of Goethe in the Goethe and Schiller Archives (2001)
- 42-line Gutenberg Bible, printed on vellum, and its contemporary documentary background (2001)
- "METROPOLIS" - Sicherungsstück Nr. 1: Negative of the restored and reconstructed version (Film) (2001)
- Illuminated manuscripts from the Ottonian period produced in the monastery of Reichenau (Lake Constance) (2003)
- Kinder- und Hausmärchen (Children's and Household Tales) (2005)
- Universalis cosmographia secundum Ptholomaie traditionem et Americi Vespucii aliorumque Lustrationes (2005)
- The Bibliotheca Corviniana Collection (2005)
- “Collection of Manuscript Papers of Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz”, famous German philosopher, scientist, mathematician, diplomat, librarian and legislator (2007)
- “Song of the Nibelungs”, a heroic poem from mediaeval Europe (2009)
- Benz Patent of 1886 (2011)
- Construction and Fall of the Berlin Wall and the Two-Plus-Four-Treaty of 1990 (2011)
- Lorsch Pharmacopoeia (The Bamberg State Library, Msc.Med.1) (2013)
- Manifest der Kommunistischen Partei, draft manuscript page and Das Kapital. Erster Band, Karl Marx's personal annotated copy (2013)
- Nebra Sky Disc (2013)
- The “Golden Bull” – All seven originals and the “King Wenceslaus' luxury manuscript copy” of the Österreichische Nationalbibliothek (2013)

- Documents representing the beginning and the early development of the Reformation initiated by Martin Luther (2015)
- Autograph of h-Moll-Messe (Mass in B minor) by Johann Sebastian Bach (2015)
- The Golden Letter of the Burmese King Alaungphaya to King George II of Great Britain (2015), jointly with United Kingdom and Myanmar

19. Creative Cities Network: 4

- Berlin, UNESCO City of Design (since 2005)
- Heidelberg, UNESCO City of Literature (since December 2014)
- Mannheim, UNESCO City of Music (since December 2014)
- Hannover, UNESCO City of Music (since December 2014)

20. Legal instruments: 29 ratified and 11 non-ratified

- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (12 March 2007)
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratified (31 May 2007)
- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (10 April 2013): acceptance

21. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2014-2015: 4

- 100th anniversary of the death of Paul Ehrlich, physician (1854-1915)
- 150th anniversary of the birth of Max Weber, sociologist and philosopher (1864-1920)
- 100th anniversary of the death of August Macke, painter (1887-1914)
- 250th anniversary of the birth of Johann Gottfried Schadow, sculptor (1764-1850)

Anniversaries with which UNESCO will be associated in 2016-2017: 2

- 150th anniversary of the birth of Käthe Kollwitz, painter, printmaker and sculptor (1867-1945) (with the support of Belgium and Poland)
- 300th anniversary of the death of Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz, mathematician and philosopher (1646-1716) (with the support of Poland and Switzerland)

22. Participation Programme: no requests presented since 2008

23. Fellowships: Since 2010, 1 fellowship awarded for a total amount of US\$ 20,000.

24. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2014-2015: fully paid

- Assessment rate for 2014-2015: 7.142%
- Contributions assessed for 2014-2015: US\$ 46,637,260

25. Voluntary contributions (expressed in US\$):

Year	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total	3,320,265	3,660,118	3,250,074	3,959,456	2,684,887	4,980,664

26. Representation within the Secretariat: (normally represented)

- 23 Professional Staff (min. 16, max. 27)

