

UNESCO AND BRAZIL: A SNAPSHOT PICTURE

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** 4 November 1946.
2. **Membership on the Executive Board: 2011-2015**
 - Previous terms: 1946-1952*;1954-1962;1964-1972;1974-1978;1980-1982; 1983-1989;1992-1993;1994-1996;1996-1999;2001-2005; 2005-2009.
*Mr Paulo E. de Berredo Carneiro, the Brazilian Representative to the Executive Board during the terms between 1946 and 1982, chaired the Executive Board between 1951 and 1952, and also the 12th session of the General Conference in 1962.
3. **Current Membership on Intergovernmental Committees/Commissions or Boards: 8**
Organs elected by the General Conference
 - Intergovernmental Council for the International Hydrological Programme (Term expires : 39th General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Council of the "Management of Social Transformations" Programme (Term expires : 39th General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (Term expires : 39th General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication (Term expires : 39th General Conference)
 - Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (Term expires : 39th General Conference)

Other intergovernmental organs

 - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
 - Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (Term expires : 2016)
 - Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (Term expires : 2013)

Councils of UNESCO's Institutes and Centres

 - Governing Board of the UNESCO International Institute for Educational Planning (Term expires : December 2015)
4. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
 - **Ambassador and Permanent Delegate:** Ms. Maria Laura Da Rocha, since 10 January 2011.
 - **Previous Permanent Delegate:** Mr Joao Carlos de SOUZA-GOMES (March 2008-Oct. 2010); Mr Luiz Felipe de Macedo Soares (December 2005 – January 2008); Mr Antonio Augusto Dayrell de Lima (July 2003-November 2005).
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5. **Brazilian National Commission for UNESCO:** established on 13 June 1946.
Executive Secretary (Since January 2013): Mr Gustavo da Veiga Guimaraes, Chief of Division of Cultural and Multilateral Agreements (DAMC).
Assistant to the Secretary-General (Since 2008): **Mr. Lima Joao.**
Structure

General Assembly	The legal text by which the Commission was established provides for a Board of Directors and a Deliberative Council. However, the posts are not filled because it is believed that the Commission must be reorganized in light of new governmental regulations (particularly financial) and the transfer of Governmental Offices to Brasilia.
Committees	The Commission has 2 Committees: - National Folklore which meets weekly. It is composed of known folklorists appointed by the Commission. The National Folklore Committee has 18 State Folklore Committees in various States of Brazil, each of them having their own staff. - UNESCO Coupons Commission which supervises the Coupons Programme. It is composed of representatives of Ministries and of the National Commission.
Executive Committee	The Commission has no Executive Committee.
Secretariat of the Commission	8 persons work for the Commission, including: - The Executive Secretary (voluntary), - 4 persons in charge of the UNESCO Coupons Programme - The National Coordinator of the ASPnet (voluntary) - 2 employees working for the secretaries.

Participation in the DG's Consultations on C/4 and C/5

- **Mr Souza, Luciano, Permanent Delegation - Ms Magalhães Silva dos Santos Luciana, Representative from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs** attended the Director-General's Consultation with National Commissions for UNESCO of Latin America and Caribbean Region on the Preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2012-2013 (36/C5), 07/2010, Port of Spain Trinidad and Tobago.
- **Mr. Fernando Muggiatti, Ministro Consejo** attended the 14th Quadrennial Conference and and Director-General's Consultation with National Commissions for UNESCO of Latin America and the Caribbean on the Preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2010-2011 (35 C/5), 06/2008, Panama City Panama.

Priority Areas

Education for all; renewal of secondary education curriculum; environmental education; cultural heritage; museology; freedom of the press; children in need; culture of peace.

6. UNESCO Office in Brasilia:

- Established on 25 May 1966.
- Director: Mr Lucien André Munoz (France), since April 2012. Mr Vincent Defourny (Belgium) headed the office from August 2007 to beginning of 2012.

7. Prominent personalities having privileged relations with UNESCO (Goodwill Ambassadors, Special Envoys, Chairpersons of Committees, etc):

On 27 May 2011, you appointed three Brazilian personalities - businessman Nizan Guanaes, designer Oskar Metsavaht and artist Vik Muniz - as UNESCO Goodwill Ambassadors for a period of two years.

8. **UNESCO Chairs: 24 and 5 UNITWIN Networks** (most important number of Chairs in the region).
9. **Associated Schools: 223**
36 nurseries; 40 primary; 121 primary & secondary; 18 secondary; 6 vocational and 2 for teacher's training.
10. **UNESCO Club: none.**
11. **Biosphere Reserves: 6**
 - Mata Atlântica, including Sao Paulo City Green Belt (1993 and extension in 2002), is the pioneer of Brazilian reserves. It covers important portions of the Atlantic Forest of 14 States.
 - Cerrado (1993 and extension in 2000-2001), which is a dense savannah woodland.
 - Pantanal (2000) is one of the world's most extensive wetland complexes.
 - Caatinga (2001), characterized by Caatinga vegetation (a word of Tupi native Indian Origin meaning "white forest") as well as "Martius", deciduous forest in the drought period.
 - Central Amazon (2001), representative of the largest forest in the world.
 - Espinhaço Mountain Range (2005) represents the largest and most continuous Precambrian orogenic belt of Brazil's territory, serving as a water divider between the São Francisco River basin and the river basins that drain directly into the Atlantic Ocean.
12. **World Heritage Sites: 19**
 - Among them, one is inscribed jointly with Argentina: the Jesuit Missions of the Guaranis (1983/1984).
 - The last site inscribed on the World Heritage List by the World Heritage Committee is "Rio de Janeiro: Carioca Landscapes between the Mountain and the Sea" (St. Petersburg, 2012).
13. **Tentative List: 15**
14. **Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity: 6**
 - The "Graphic Wajapi Language", 2008 (Indian community in the south of Brazil).
 - The "Samba de Roda of the Recôncavo of Bahia", 2008 (involves music, dance and poetry, is a popular festive event that developed in the State of Bahia, in the region of Recôncavo during the seventeenth century).
 - Yaokwa, the Enawene Nawe people's ritual for the maintenance of social and cosmic order (inscribed in 2011 on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding)
 - Call for projects of the National Programme of Intangible Heritage (2011).
 - Fandango's Living Museum (2011).
 - Frevo, performing arts of the Carnival of Recife (2012).
15. **Memory of the World Register: 5**
 - The Emperor's Collection: foreign and Brazilian photography of the XIXth century, included in 2003.
 - Network of information and counter information on the military regime in Brazil (1964-1985), included in 2011.
 - Dutch West India Company (Westindische Compagnie) Archives, included in 2011.

- Documents regarding the Emperor D. Pedro II's journeys in Brazil and abroad (2013).
- Architectural Archive of Oscar Niemeyer, included in 2013.

16. UNESCO's standard-setting instruments: 21 ratified and 15 not ratified

17. Participation Programme:

- **2012-2013** : aucune requête soumise.
- **2014-2015** : aucune requête soumise.

18. UNESCO Fellowships Programme: 16 fellowships from 2000 to 2014 for a total amount of US\$ 221,383.

19. Use of UNESCO Coupons: one of the most active participants until withdrawal.

- For 2008: US\$ 336,500.00.
- For 2009: US\$ 101,500.00 as at 31 July 2009, date at which Brazil decided to withdraw from the Programme.

20. Payment of assessed membership fees: owing

- The last payment was received in May 2013.
- The assessment rate is 2.934 %.

21. Representation within the Secretariat: 5 (under-represented)

The breakdown is as follows:

- **2** Professionals in geographical posts at HQs
- **3** Professionals in geographical posts in the Field
- **3** Professional in non-geographical posts at HQs
- **3** Professional in non-geographical posts in the Field
- **15** National Professional in non-geographical in the Field
- **5** General Service at HQs
- **14** General Service in the Field

According to the traditional tally whereby the desirable range is min: 9 and max: 14,

Brazil is under represented.

22. Applications to the Young Professionals' Programme (YPP): Brazil is under represented and therefore eligible for the programme.

23. Associate Experts Programme: Brazil does not participate in the Associate Experts Programme.

24. Celebration of anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2012-13: 4

- **2015:**
 - 100th anniversary of the birth of Antônio Houaiss, writer and teacher (1915-1999)
 - 100th anniversary of the birth of Grande Otelo, actor and composer (1915-1993)
- **2014:**
 - 100th anniversary of the birth of Dorival Caymmi, composer and singer (1914-2008)
Dorival Caymi is an exponential artist in Brazilian music and has contributed positively to projecting his region's image and the working men and women of the north-eastern coast, through a sophisticated music style but of great popular appeal.
 - 100th anniversary of the death of Augusto dos Anjos, poet (1884-1914)
 - 50th anniversary of the death of Brazilian modernist artists Anita Malfatti, painter (1889-1964) and Cecília Meireles, poet (1901-1964)

2013:

- 100th anniversary of the birth of Vinicius de Moraes, poet and musician (1913-1980)
- 150th anniversary of the birth of Ernesto Nazareth, pianist (1863-1934)

25. Inter-governmental organizations maintaining relations with UNESCO, with headquarters in Brazil: 1

The Latin American Physics Centre (Agreement signed in 1967).

26. Non-governmental organizations maintaining relations with UNESCO, with headquarters in Brazil: 4

- International Association of University Presidents (IAUP) - Consultation;
- Latin-American Campaign for the Right to Education – Consultation;
- World Family Organization (WFO) - Consultation;
- Solidarity in Literacy – Consultation.