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INVITATIONS TO THE 34th SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

I. STATES

A. Member States and Associate Members of UNESCO

1. In accordance with Rule 6.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Member States and Associate Members of the Organization are notified by the Director-General that the 34th session of the General Conference will open in Paris, at UNESCO Headquarters, on Tuesday, 16 October 2007. It is expected to end on Saturday, 3 November 2007. The Director-General will also notify any State that becomes a member of UNESCO by depositing an instrument of acceptance of the Constitution and signing it before the 34th session.

(a) Member States invited

Afghanistan	Cambodia
Albania	Cameroon
Algeria	Canada
Andorra	Cape Verde
Angola	Central African Republic
Antigua and Barbuda	Chad
Argentina	Chile
Armenia	China
Australia	Colombia
Austria	Comoros
Azerbaijan	Congo
Bahamas	Cook Islands
Bahrain	Costa Rica
Bangladesh	Côte d'Ivoire
Barbados	Croatia
Belarus	Cuba
Belgium	Cyprus
Belize	Czech Republic
Benin	Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Bhutan	Democratic Republic of the Congo
Bolivia	Denmark
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Djibouti
Botswana	Dominica
Brazil	Dominican Republic
Brunei Darussalam	Ecuador
Bulgaria	Egypt
Burkina Faso	El Salvador
Burundi	

Equatorial Guinea
Eritrea
Estonia
Ethiopia
Fiji
Finland
France
Gabon
Gambia
Georgia
Germany
Ghana
Greece
Grenada
Guatemala
Guinea
Guinea-Bissau
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
Hungary
Iceland
India
Indonesia
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Iraq
Ireland
Israel
Italy
Jamaica
Japan
Jordan
Kazakhstan
Kenya
Kiribati
Kuwait
Kyrgyzstan
Lao People's Democratic Republic
Latvia
Lebanon
Lesotho
Liberia
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Madagascar
Malawi
Malaysia
Maldives
Mali
Malta
Marshall Islands
Mauritania
Mauritius
Mexico
Micronesia (Federated States of)
Monaco
Mongolia
Montenegro
Morocco
Mozambique
Myanmar
Namibia
Nauru
Nepal
Netherlands
New Zealand
Nicaragua
Niger
Nigeria
Niue
Norway
Oman
Pakistan
Palau
Panama
Papua New Guinea
Paraguay
Peru
Philippines
Poland
Portugal
Qatar
Republic of Korea
Republic of Moldova
Romania
Russian Federation
Rwanda
Saint Kitts and Nevis
Saint Lucia
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Samoa
San Marino
Sao Tome and Principe
Saudi Arabia
Senegal
Serbia
Seychelles
Sierra Leone
Slovakia
Slovenia
Solomon Islands
Somalia
South Africa
Spain
Sri Lanka
Sudan
Suriname
Swaziland
Sweden
Switzerland
Syrian Arab Republic

Tajikistan	United Arab Emirates
Thailand	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	United Republic of Tanzania
Timor-Leste	United States of America
Togo	Uruguay
Tonga	Uzbekistan
Trinidad and Tobago	Vanuatu
Tunisia	Venezuela (the Bolivarian Republic of)
Turkey	Viet Nam
Turkmenistan	Yemen
Tuvalu	Zambia
Uganda	Zimbabwe
Ukraine	

(b) Associate Members invited

Aruba
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Macao, (China)
Netherlands Antilles
Tokelau

B. Non-Member States invited

2. In accordance with Rule 6.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, and taking account of the relevant resolutions adopted by the General Conference at its 24th session, the following States not members of UNESCO are invited to send observers in accordance with 176 EX/Decision 36, adopted by the Executive Board at its 176th session:

Liechtenstein
Holy See
Singapore

II. PALESTINE

3. In accordance with Rule 6.6 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, and in pursuance of 176 EX/Decision 36, adopted by the Executive Board at its 176th session, Palestine is invited to send observers to the 34th session of the General Conference.

III. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

A. United Nations, and bodies, programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system

4. In accordance with Rule 6.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Director-General will notify the following organizations of the convening of the session and invite them to send representatives:

(a) United Nations, bodies and programmes

African Economic Community (AEC)
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)
Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD)
United Nations
United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (UNCHS)
United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)
United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)
United Nations University (UNU)
World Food Programme (WFP)

(b) Specialized agencies of the United Nations system

Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)
International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
International Labour Organization (ILO)
International Maritime Organization (IMO)
International Monetary Fund (IMF)
International Telecommunication Union (ITU)
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)
Universal Postal Union (UPU)
World Bank
World Health Organization (WHO)
World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
World Tourism Organization (WTO)
World Trade Organization (WTO)

B. Intergovernmental organizations

5. In accordance with Rule 6.3 of the Rules of Procedure, the Director-General will notify the following organizations and invite them to send observers:

(a) Intergovernmental organizations with which UNESCO has concluded an agreement providing for mutual representation at meetings of governing bodies¹

African Centre for Applied Research and Training in Social Development (ACARTSOD)
African Development Bank (AfDB)
African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)
African Union (AU)
African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP Group)

¹ The Director-General will also invite any intergovernmental organization with which he may be authorized to conclude an agreement by the Executive Board at its 177th session.

Amazonian Parliament
 Andean Parliament
 Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)
 Arab Bureau of Education for the Gulf States (ABEGS)
 Arab Centre for the Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands (ACSAD)
 Arab Federation for Technical Education (AFTE)
 Arab Gulf Programme for United Nations Development Organizations (AGFUND)
 Arab Gulf States Folklore Centre
 Arab Gulf States Information Documentation Centre (AGSIDC)
 Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO)
 Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)
 Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU)
 Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)
 Caribbean Community Secretariat (CARICOM)
 Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CEMAC)
 Central American Educational and Cultural Coordination (CECC)
 Central American Integration System (SICA)
 Central American Parliament (PARLACEN)
 Commission of the European Communities (CEC)
 Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
 Commonwealth of Learning (COL)
 Commonwealth Secretariat (ComSec)
 Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries (CPLP)
 Community of Sahelo-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)
 Conference of Ministers of Education of French-Speaking Countries (CONFEMEN)
 Conference of Ministers of Youth and Sport of French-Speaking Countries (CONFESJES)
 Council of Europe (CoE)
 East African Community (EAC)
 Eastern African Centre for Research on Oral Traditions and African National Languages (EACROTANAL)
 Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)
 Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries (CEPGL)
 Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
 Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)
 European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)
 Executive Secretariat of the Andrés Bello Convention (SECAB)
 Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils (FASRC)
 Gulf Organization for Industrial Consulting (GOIC)
 Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
 Intergovernmental Television and Radio Corporation (ITRC MIR)
 International Bureau of Weights and Measures (BIPM)
 International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (ICAMAS)
 International Centre for Agriculture and the Biosciences (CABI)
 International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB)
 International Centre for Promotion of Enterprises (ICPE)
 International Centre for the Bantu Civilizations (CICIBA)
 International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE)
 International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol)
 International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT)
 International Organization of Legal Metrology (OIML)
 International Organization of the Francophonie
 Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)
 Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO)
 Islamic States Broadcasting Organization (ISBO)
 Italian-Latin American Institute (ILAI)
 Joint Administration of the Turkic Culture and Arts (TURKSOY)

Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR)
Latin American Centre of Physics (CLAF)
Latin American Economic System (SELA)
Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLACSO)
Latin American Parliament (PARLATINO)
Latin Union (LU)
League of Arab States (LAS)
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
Organization of American States (OAS)
Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)
Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture (OEI)
Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)
Pan-African Telecommunications Union (PATU)
Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS)
Regional Council for Adult Education and Literacy in Africa (CREAA)
Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture (IRCICA)
Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC)
South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC)
South-East Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO)
Southern African Development Community (SADC)
Supreme Council for Sport in Africa (SCSA)
University for Peace (UPEACE)
West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)
World Customs Organization (WCO)

(b) Other intergovernmental organizations

African Institute of Informatics (IAI)
African Regional Centre for Engineering Design and Manufacturing (ARCEDEM)
African Regional Organization for Standardization (ARSO)
Afro-Asian Rural Reconstruction Organization (AARRO)
Andean Community (CAN)
Arab Administrative Development Organization (ARADO)
Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD)
Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO)
Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union (AIPU)
Arab Labour Organization (ALO)
Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)
Arab Postal Union (APU)
Arab Satellite Communications Organization (ARABSAT)
Arab Telecommunication Union (ATU)
ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Organization (AIPO)
Asian Development Bank (AsDB)
Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)
Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)
Association of Caribbean States (ACS)
Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST)
Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)
Cartagena Agreement Board (JUNAC)
Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)
Colombo Plan Bureau for Cooperative Economic and Social Development in Asia and the Pacific
Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)
Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC)

Coordinating Committee for Coastal and Offshore Geoscience Programmes in
 East and South-East Asia (CCOP)
 Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU)
 Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS)
 Danube Commission (DC)
 European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
 European Parliament (EP)
 European Space Agency (ESA)
 Forum Secretariat
 Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)
 Inmarsat Ltd. (Inmarsat)
 Inter-American Children's Institute (IIN)
 Inter-American Commission of Women (IACW)
 Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)
 International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural
 Property (ICCROM)
 International Commission for the Scientific Exploration of the Mediterranean Sea (CIESM)
 International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)
 International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
 International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA)
 International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)
 International Organization for Migration (IOM)
 International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
 International Organization of Space Communications (INTERSPUTNIK)
 International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (ITSO)
 Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI)
 Lake Chad Basin Commission (LCBC)
 Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE)
 Latin American Institute for Educational Communication (ILCE)
 Nordic Council (NC)
 OPEC Fund for International Development (OPEC Fund)
 Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)
 Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)
 Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO)
 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
 Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in
 Europe (OSCE PA)
 Permanent Commission for the South Pacific (CPPS)
 Permanent Secretariat of the General Treaty on Central American Economic
 Integration (SIECA)
 Regional Centre for Book Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLALC)
 Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME)
 Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS)
 Secretariat of Ibero-American Cooperation (SECIB)
 Secretariat of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of
 Wild Animals (CMS)
 Secretariat of the New Partnership for Africa's Development
 Senegal River Development Organization (OMVS)
 South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)
 South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)
 University of the South Pacific (USP)

(c) Organizations having observer status

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
 Order of Malta

C. International non-governmental organizations, foundations and similar institutions

6. In accordance with the provisions of Article IV, paragraph 14, of the Constitution, Rule 6.7 of the Rules of Procedure and Section I.8.1 of the Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with non-governmental organizations, the Director-General will notify organizations maintaining formal relations with UNESCO of the convening of the session and invite them to send observers.

7. In accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure, Section II, paragraph 4.1(b), of the Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with non-governmental organizations and Article IV, paragraph 2, of the Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with foundations and similar institutions, the Director-General will notify the non-governmental organizations maintaining operational relations with UNESCO and the foundations and similar institutions maintaining official relations with the Organization of the provisions concerning their participation as observers at the General Conference, and will request them to inform him at least one month before the opening of the session of the agenda items under which their representatives wish to participate in the debate.

D. Other international organizations with which UNESCO has concluded an agreement providing for mutual representation

Inter-Parliamentary Union
Parliamentary Assembly of the Francophonie (APF)
United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

8. In the event that other international non-governmental or semi-governmental organizations should request admission, in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure, as observers at the 34th session of the General Conference, their request will be brought to the attention of the Executive Board at its 177th session.