

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON CANADA / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** a founding member (4 November 1946).
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** not currently (last term: 2003-2007).
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**
  - Intergovernmental Council of the "Management of Social Transformations" Programme (term expires in 2017)
  - Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication (term expires in 2019)
  - Legal Committee. Member elected by the General Conference at its 38<sup>th</sup> session – Member of the Legal Committee from the beginning of the 39<sup>th</sup> session (2017) until the beginning of the 40<sup>th</sup> session (2019)
  - Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (Bureau Member)
  - Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics. Statistical expert: Ms Sylvia Michaud (term expires in 31 December 2015).
  - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **Your visits to Canada: 5**
  - 13-16 June 2016: to be the co-chair of the 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of the International Economic Forum of the Americas Conference "Shaping a new era of prosperity" and to deliver a speech during the luncheon-debate "Inclusiveness as a condition for prosperity" in Montreal.
  - 21 March 2016: to participate in the international conference entitled, "Canada in Global Affairs - New challenges, New approaches", hosted by the University of Ottawa, in with collaboration of The Hague Institute for Global Justice; the International Commission of Jurists; the Human Rights Research and Education Centre at the University of Ottawa; and the Centre for International Policy Studies.
  - 18 November 2014: to deliver the I.P Sharpe Lecture on the Memory of the World Programme entitled "Safeguarding the Past, Shaping a better Future: UNESCO Soft Power in the Digital Age" held at the University of Toronto.
  - 6-7 March 2013: to receive an honoris causa from Laval University in Quebec.
  - 8-11 June 2011: on the occasion of the 17<sup>th</sup> edition of the International Economic Forum of the Americas in Montreal and the Annual General Meeting of the Canadian Commission for UNESCO in Ottawa.
5. **The former Director-General's visits to Canada: 4**
  - 1-2 July 2008: visit to Québec on the occasion of the 32<sup>nd</sup> session of the World Heritage Committee.
  - 5-7 June 2006: visit to Montréal on the occasion of the International Economic Forum of the Americas - Conference of Montréal.
  - 30 November 2000: visit to Montréal (Québec) to inaugurate the UNESCO Institute for Statistics, together with Mr Martin Cauchon, Minister of National Revenue and Secretary of State (Agence du Développement Economique du Canada pour la Région du Québec) and Ms Diane Lemieux, Minister of Culture and Communications of Québec.
  - 1-3 March 2000: official visit, Ottawa.
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
  - H.E. Ms Elaine Ayotte, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 25 August 2015).
  - Mr Nicolas Dimic, Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Delegate; Ms Julie Miville-Dechene, Representative of the Government of Quebec.
  - Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Mr. Jean-Pierre Blackburn, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (January 2012 – December 2014); H.E. Mr André Bachand (September 2009 – November 2011), H.E. Mr Gilbert Laurin (April 2009 – June 2009)

and November 2006 – September 2008), H.E. Mr Yvon Charbonneau (September 2004 – September 2006), H.E. Mr Louis Hamel (September 2000 – August 2004).

**7. UNESCO Office: 1**

UNESCO Institute for Statistics (Montreal):

- Date of establishment: July 1999 - Ms Silvia Montoya, Head of Office

**8. Canadian Commission for UNESCO:**

- Date of establishment: February 1958
- President: Dr Christina Cameron (since July 2014)
- Vice-president: Ms Danika Billie Littlechild (since August 2014)
- Secretary-General: Ms Louise Filiatrault (since September 2014)

**9. Canadian personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:**

- Ms Michaëlle Jean, UNESCO Special Envoy for Haiti since 8 November 2010
- Ms Kim Phuc Phan Thi, UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador (1994)
- Ms Céline Dion (singer), UNESCO Artist for Peace (1999)
- Dr David M. Malone, Rector of the United Nations University (2013-2018)
- Mr Sylvie Michaud, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (term ends in 2015)
- Prof. (Ms) Thérèse Leroux, Member of the International Bioethics Committee of UNESCO (IBC) (term 2012-2015)
- Ms Marie-Hélène Parizeau, Member of the COMEST (term ends in 2015)
- Dr Indira Samarasekera, Member of the UNESCO High Panel on Science and Technology for Development

**10. UNESCO Chairs: 16 Chairs and 1 UNITWIN Networks**

- UNESCO Chair for Dialogues on Sustainability, McGill University (2014)
- UNESCO Chair on Community Sustainability: from Local to Global, Brock University (2014)
- UNESCO Chair on Materials and Technologies for Energy Conversion, Saving and Storage, Institut National de la Recherche Scientifique (2013)
- UNESCO Chair in Cultural Management at HEC Montréal (2012)
- UNESCO Chair in Community-based Research and Social Responsibility in Higher Education at The University of Victoria (2012)
- UNESCO Chair in applied research for education in prison-Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel Marie-Victorin-le CÉGEP (2011)
- UNESCO Chair on integrated analysis of marine systems at the University of Québec at Rimouski (2010)
- UNESCO-COL Chair in Open Educational Resources at Athabasca University (2010)
- UNESCO Chair in Curriculum Development at the University of Québec in Montreal (2009)
- UNESCO Chair in Early Childhood Care and Development at the University of Victoria (2008)
- UNESCO Chair in Arts and Learning at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario (2007)
- UNESCO Chair on landscape and environment at the University of Montréal (2003)
- UNESCO Chair in Studies of philosophic foundations of justice and democratic society at University of Québec in Montréal (1999)
- UNESCO Chair in Reorienting Teacher Education towards Sustainability at York University (1999)
- UNESCO Chair in Communication and International Development at the University of Québec in Montréal within the framework of the ORBICOM Network (1994)
- International Network of UNESCO Chairs in Communications (ORBICOM) at the University of Quebec at Montreal (1994)

- UNESCO Chair in global environmental changes at the University of Québec in Montréal (UQAM) (1992)
11. **Associated Schools:** 35 (6 primary, 10 primary/secondary, 18 secondary, and 1 vocational and technical). Canada joined the ASPnet in 1955.
12. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none
13. **UNESCO Clubs:** none
14. **Biosphere Reserves:** 18
- Beaver Hills (2016)
  - Tsá Tué (2016)
  - Bras d'Or Lake (2011)
  - Fundy (2007)
  - Manicouagan – Uapishka (2007)
  - Georgian Bay Littoral (2004)
  - Thousand Islands - Frontenac Arch (2002)
  - Southwest Nova (2001)
  - Mount Arrowsmith (2000)
  - Lac Saint-Pierre (2000)
  - Redberry Lake (2000)
  - Clayoquot Sound (2000)
  - Niagara Escarpment (1990)
  - Charlevoix (1988)
  - Riding Mountain (1986)
  - Long Point (1986)
  - Waterton (1979)
  - Mont Saint Hilaire (1978)
15. **UNESCO Global Geoparks Network:** 2
- Stonehammer Geopark
  - Tumbler Ridge Geopark
16. **World Heritage List:** 17 sites (8 cultural and 9 natural including 2 transnational with the USA)
- Cultural*
- Red Bay Basque Whaling Station (2013)
  - Landscape of Grand Pré (2012)
  - Rideau Canal (2007)
  - Old Town Lunenburg (1995)
  - Historic District of Québec (1985)
  - Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump (1981)
  - SGang Gwaii (Anthony Island) (1981)
  - L'Anse aux Meadows National Historic Site (1978)
- Natural*
- Joggins Fossil Cliffs (2008)
  - Miguasha Park (1999)
  - Gros Morne National Park (1987)
  - Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks (1984) - The Burgess Shale Site, previously inscribed on the WHL, is part of the Canadian Rocky Mountain Parks.
  - Wood Buffalo National Park (1983)
  - Dinosaur Provincial Park (1979)
  - Nahanni National Park (1978)
- Natural transnational sites with the United States of America:*
- Waterton Glacier International Peace Park (1995)
  - Kluane/Wrangell-St. Elias/Glacier Bay/Tatshenshini-Alsek (1979)
17. **Tentative List:** 7 properties
- Áísínai'pi (2004)
  - Atikaki / Woodland Caribou / Accord First Nations (Pimachiowin Aki) (2004)
  - Gwaii Haanas (2004)
  - Ivvavik / Vuntut / Herschel Island (Qikiqtaruk) (2004)
  - The Klondike (2004)
  - Mistaken Point (2004)

- Quttinirpaaq (2004)

**18. Intangible Heritage Lists:** no elements

**19. Memory of the World Register:** 5 inscriptions

- The 14 Vancouver Island Treaties (1850-54) - Documentary heritage (2014)
- The Discovery of Insulin and its Worldwide Impact (2013)
- Neighbors, animated, directed and produced by Norman McLaren in 1952 (2009)
- Hudson's Bay Company Archival records (2007)
- Quebec Seminary Collection, 1623-1800 (17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries) (2007)

**20. Creative Cities Network:** 1

- Montreal: UNESCO City of Design, appointed on 12 May 2006

**21. Legal instruments:** 15 ratified and 25 non-ratified

- Canada was the first Member State to submit the instrument of **acceptance** of the Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (**28 November 2005**)
- Convention on the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: **non-ratified**
- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: **non-ratified**
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: **acceptance** (**29 November 2005**)

**22. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2016-2017:** none

**23. Participation Programme:** no requests presented

**24. Fellowships:** 1 awarded total amount of US\$ 20,000

**25. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2016:** fully paid

Assessment rate for 2016: 2.921%

Contributions assessed for 2016: US\$ 9,537,065

**26. Voluntary contributions** (expressed in US\$):

Year	2015	2014	2013	2012*	2011	2010
Total	2,437,375	3,551,143	1,557,767	1,853,419	4,388,917	3,741,150

**27. Representation within the Secretariat:** over-represented

- 14 professional staff in geographical posts (min. 8, max. 13):