# **KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON MALTA / UNESCO COOPERATION**

- 1. Membership in UNESCO: since 10 February 1965
- 2. Membership on the Executive Board: not currently (last and only term: 1995-1999)
- 3. Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:
  - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
- **4. Speech at the General Conference:** Malta has not taken the floor at the Plenary of the 37<sup>th</sup> session of the General Conference
- 5. The former Director-General's visits to Malta: 1
  - 6-7 January 2003: official visit
- 6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:
  - H.E. Mr Joe Vella Gauci, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 15 October 2013)
  - Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Mr Raymond Bondin (July 2010 July 2012); H.E. Mr Joseph Licari (1999-2010)

### 7. Maltese National Commission for UNESCO:

- Year of establishment: 1965
- Chairperson: Prof Henry Frendo (since February 2012)
- Executive Secretary: Mr Philip Cassar (since October 2014)
- 8. Maltese personalities linked to UNESCO activities: none
- 9. UNESCO Chairs: none
- **10.** Associated Schools: 56 (27 primary, 3 primary and secondary, 26 secondary schools). Malta joined the ASP Network in 1966.
- 11. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: none
- 12. Biosphere Reserves: none

#### **13. World Heritage Sites:** 3 cultural sites

- City of Valletta (1980)
- Hal Saflieni Hypogeum (1980, name change in 2014)
- Megalithic Temples of Malta (1980)

# 14. Tentative List: 7 properties

- Coastal Cliffs (1998)
- Qawra/Dwejra (1998)
- Cittadella (Victoria Gozo) (1998)
- Knights' Fortifications around the Harbours of Malta (1998)
- Mdina (Citta' Vecchia) (1998)
- Maltese Catacomb Complexes (1998)
- Victoria Lines Fortifications (1998)
- **15.** Intangible Heritage Lists: no elements

- 16. Memory of the World Register: no inscriptions
- 17. Creative Cities Network: no appointments
- 18. Legal instruments: 15 ratified and 25 non-ratified
  - Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified
  - Convention on the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: non-ratified
  - Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: accession (18 December 2006)
  - International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratified (6 December 2011)
- 19. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2016-2017: none

### 20. Participation Programme:

- 2014-2015: no requests presented
- 2012-2013: no requests presented
- 2010-2011: 2 requests approved for a total amount of US\$ 43,300 (out of 7 presented)
- 2008-2009: 2 requests approved for a total amount of US\$ 36,000. Additionally, 1 regional request approved for US\$ 37,600 ('Conference and Follow-up Report on Gender Equality in the Small States of Europe')
- 2006-2007: 6 requests approved for a total amount of US\$ 102,400
- 21. Fellowships: 3 fellowships awarded since 2000, for a total amount of US\$ 37,607
- 22. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2016: total unpaid US\$ 243 as at 14 July 2016
  - Assessment rate for 2016: 0.016%
  - Contributions assessed for 2016: US\$ 52,240
  - Payment received as at 27 April 2016: US\$ 51,997

# 23. Representation within the Secretariat: non-represented

• 0 professional staff in geographical posts (min. 2, max. 4):