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KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON SWEDEN / UNESCO COOPERATION

- 1. Membership in UNESCO: since 23 January 1950.
- 2. Membership on the Executive Board: currently a member, term expires in 2017 (previous terms: 1995-1999, 1985-1989, 1958-1966). Sweden was elected Vice-Chairperson of Group I in the Composition of the Bureau 2015-2017.

3. Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:

- Intergovernmental Council of the Information for all Programme (term expires in 2019)
- Legal Committee. Member elected by the General Conference at its 38th session Member of the Legal Committee from the beginning of the 39th session (2017) until the beginning of the 40th session (2019)
- International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere (term expires in 2017)
- Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

4. The Director-General's visits to Sweden: 5

- 6-7 July 2016: to take part in the Almedalen Week, an annual event taking place in and around Almedalen, a park in the city of Visby on the Swedish island Gotland
- 26 November 2015: Global Child Forum, at the Royal Palace in Stockholm, Sweden
- 25-26 March 2014: visit on the occasion of UNESCO's official launch of the 2014 World Trends in Freedom of Expression and Media Development
- 1-3 September 2013: visit on the occasion of the World Water Week
- 14-16 June 2011: official visit

5. The former Director-General's visits to Sweden: 1

• 24-25 April 2001: official visit

6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:

- H.E. Ambassador Annika Markovic, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since 27 February 2014)
- Deputy Permanent Delegate: Ms Ulrika Ferenius, Counsellor (since January 2016)
- Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Mr Anders Ahnlid (September 2011 November 2013), H.E. Mr Mats Ringborg (April 2007 – August 2011), H.E. Ms Gun-Britt Andersson (June 2003 – January 2007)

7. Swedish National Commission for UNESCO:

- Date of establishment: 1950
- Chairperson: Ms Inger Davidsson (since January 2011)
- Vice chairperson: Mr Tomas Kiellqvist
- Secretary-General: Mr Mats Djurberg (since 1 June 2010)
- Deputy Secretary-General: Ms Kerstin Lundman

8. Swedish personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:

- Ms Maria Thorell, member of the International Advisory Committee for Biosphere Reserves
- Mr Lennart Nordström, Chair of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)
- Prof. Anne L'Huillier, Professor of Atomic Physics, Lund University, winner of the L'Oréal-UNESCO Award for Women in Science 2011 for her work on the development of the fastest camera for recording events in atto seconds
- Mr Kenneth Lundmark, IOC-MSB (Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency), Tsunami National Contact

9. UNESCO Chairs: 6

- UNESCO Chair on Freedom of Expression, Media Development and Global Policy at the University of Gothenburg (2014)
- UNESCO Chair in Research Management and Innovation Systems, established at the Lund University (2010)
- UNESCO Chair in Global Development and Inclusive Education, established at Karlstad University (2010)
- UNESCO Chair in Early Childhood Education and Sustainable Development, established at the Göteborg University (2007)
- UNESCO Chair in Education for Sustainable Development, established at the Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg (2006)
- UNESCO Chair in Education for Sustainable Development, established at Lund University, Lund (2006)
- **10. Associated Schools:** 27 (12 primary, 2 primary/secondary, and 13 secondary). Sweden joined the ASPnet in 1953.

11. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 1

International Centre on Water Cooperation, Stockholm (approved by the 37th session of the General Conference)

12. UNESCO Clubs and Centres: 1

 UNESCO LUCS - Local UNESCO Center for cooperation (inaugurated on 9 May 2014)

13. Biosphere Reserves: 5

- Kristianstad Vattenrike (2005)
- Lake Vänern Archipelago (2010)
- Blekinge Archipielago (2011)
- Nedre Dalälven River Landscape (2011)
- East Vättern Scarp landscape (2012)

14. World Heritage Sites: 15 (13 cultural, 1 natural and 1 mixed)

Cultural:

- Decorated Farmhouses of Hälsingland (2012)
- Struve Geodetic Arc (2005)
- Grimeton Radio Station, Varberg (2004, name change in 2014)
- Mining Area of the Great Copper Mountain in Falun (2001)
- Agricultural Landscape of Southern Öland (2000)
- Naval Port of Karlskrona (1998)
- Church Town of Gammelstad, Luleå (1996, name change in 2014)
- Hanseatic Town of Visby (1995)
- Skogskyrkogården (1994)
- Rock Carvings in Tanum (1994)
- Birka and Hovgården (1993)
- Engelsberg Ironworks (1993)
- Royal Domain of Drottningholm (1991)

Natural·

Kvarken Archipelago / High Coast (2000)

Mixed:

• Laponian Area (1996)

15. Tentative List: 1 property

• The Rise of Systematic Biology (2009)

16. Memory of the World Register: 6 inscriptions

- Codex Argenteus the 'Silver Bible' (2011)
- Stockholm City Planning Committee Archives (2011)
- Ingmar Bergman Archives (2007)
- The Alfred Nobel Family Archives (2007)
- Astrid Lindgren Archives (2005)
- Emanuel Swedenborg Collection (2005)

17. Creative Cities Network: 1

Östersund, UNESCO City of Gastronomy

18. European Coalition of Cities against Racism: 10 cities

Botkyrka
Eskilstuna
Kalmar
Lund
Malmö
Sädertälje
Trelleborg
Uppsala
Växjö

- **19.** Legal instruments: 26 ratified and 14 non-ratified (the four latest instruments listed below)
 - Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified
 - Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: <u>ratified</u> (26 January 2011)
 - Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (18 December 2006)
 - International Convention against Doping in Sport: <u>ratified</u> (9 November 2005)

20. Participation Programme:

- No request presented since 2011
- 2010-2011: 1 project submitted and approved for US\$ 26,000 "XVII World Congress of Sociology"

21. Payment of assessed membership fees: fully paid

- Assessment rate for 2016: 0.956%
- Contributions assessed for 2016: US\$ 3,121,340

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

Year	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total	25,287,833	25,941,042	20,400,045	14,943,553	5,162,253	4,654,779	7,994,425

23. Representation within the Secretariat: under-represented

• 2 International professional staff in geographical posts (min. 4, max. 7)