

# Committees and Organs elected by the General Conference (35C)



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#### **Foreword**

The General Conference of UNESCO is required, at each of its sessions, to elect Member States to be members of the Executive Board or of the Commissions and other subsidiary organs of the Conference, in accordance with their rules of procedure or respective statutes.

The Executive Board, elected by the General Conference, is one of the three constitutional organs of UNESCO with the role to examine the programme of work for the Organization and corresponding budget estimates for each biennium, ensuring the effective and rational execution of the programme by the Director-General.

The General Conference also elects intergovernmental Committees and Councils which are associated with UNESCO's major programmes. These organs allow Member States to actively participate in these programmes, ensure the visibility of the Organization and testify of its vitality.

The present publication aims therefore to present the role and current composition of these organs elected by the 35th session of the General Conference in 2009, make them better known to our main partners and provide a useful information tool to our Member States when preparing for elections to renew the membership of these intergovernmental bodies.

This information on their composition and statutes can also be found by consulting the UNESCO web site (General Conference and Executive Board on http://www.unesco.org/) and the ERC Intranet site (http://ercintranet.unesco.org/erc/oicc/).

#### **Executive Board**

The Executive Board is elected by the General Conference and is one of the three constitutional organs of UNESCO. It consists of 58 Member States with a four-year term of office, half of whom are replaced at each session (29 Members to be elected). Each State Member appoints one representative and may also appoint alternates. The Executive Board examines the programme of work for the Organization and corresponding budget estimates. It ensures the effective and rational execution of the programme by the Director-General.

Chairperson of the Executive Board: Ms Eleonora Mitrofanova (Russian Federation)

List of Member States (58) and their term of office <sup>1</sup>

Member States	Term expires
Algeria	2013
Argentina	2011
Bangladesh	2013
Barbados	2013
Belarus	2013
Belgium	2013
Burkina Faso	2013
Chile	2011
China	2013
Congo	2013
Côte d'Ivoire	2011
Cuba	2011
Democratic Republic of Congo	2013
Denmark	2013
Djibouti	2013
Egypt	2013
El Salvador	2011

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The names of representatives of elected Member States are available on the UNESCO web site / Executive Board (http://www.unesco.org/exboard/)

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France	2011
Germany	2011
Ghana	2013
Greece	2011
Grenada	2013
Haiti	2013
India	2013
Italy	2011
Japan	2013
Kazakhstan	2013
Kenya	2013
Kuwait	2011
Latvia	2013
Madagascar	2011
Malaysia	2011
Monaco	2013
Mongolia	2011
Morocco	2011
Niger	2011
Pakistan	2011
Peru	2013
Philippines	2011
Poland	2013
Republic of Korea	2011
Romania	2013
Russian Federation	2011
Saint Lucia	2013
Saudi Arabia	2011
Senegal	2011
Slovakia	2013
Spain	2011
Sri Lanka	2011
Syrian Arab Republic	2013
Tunisia	2011

United Republic of Tanzania	2011
United States of America	2011
Uzbekistan	2013
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2013
Viet Nam	2013
Zambia	2011
Zimbabwe	2013

## **Legal Committee**

Origin	By resolution 42.4, adopted at its 7th session, in 1952, the General Conference decided to convert the Procedure Committee into a Legal Committee of a more technical nature; it would advise on any legal question referred to it by the General Conference or any of its organs. The <b>Legal Committee</b> is governed by Rules 36, 37, 38 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference.
Functions	The Committee considers proposals for the amendment of the Constitution and of the present Rules; agenda items referred to it by the General Conference; appeals submitted by sponsors of draft resolutions to the General Conference that have been considered inadmissible by the Director-General under Rule 80; legal questions submitted to it by the General Conference or any of its organs. The Committee also considers the reports relating on conventions or recommendations transmitted to it by the General Conference. The Committee submits its reports either directly to the General Conference or to the referring organ or the organ which has been designated by the General Conference. (Abstracts from Rule 37 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference)  The Legal Committee may be consulted on any question concerning the interpretation of the Constitution and of the rules and regulations. (Abstracts from Rule 38 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference)
Composition	The Legal Committee consists of 24 Member States elected at the preceding session. The Committee elects its own chairperson (Abstracts from Rule 36 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference). At its 32nd session, the General Conference adopted 32 C/Resolution 78, deciding to increase the number of Members of the Legal Committee to 24 as of the election which took place during the 33rd session of the General Conference, and to amend accordingly Rule 36.1 of the

Rules and Procedure of the General Conference. The Nominations Committee at its 3rd meeting on 6 October 2005 approved the geographical distribution of the 3 additional seats as follows: 1 additional seat for Group II and 2 additional seats for Group IV. Consequently, the geographical distribution of the 24 seats is the following: Group I – 5 seats; Group II – 3 seats; Group III – 5 seats; Group IV – 4 seats; Group V(a) – 3 seats; Group V(b) – 4 seats.

The 34th session of the General Conference elected the Members States to be members of the Legal Committee from the beginning of the 35th session until the beginning of the 36th session of the General Conference. Group V(a) having presented only two candidates for the three vacant seats, only 23 members were elected by the General Conference at its 34th session.

At its 35th session, the General Conference elected 21 Member States to be members of the Committee from the beginning of the 36th session until the beginning of the 37th session. The Group I having presented only three candidates for the five vacant seats, and the Group V(a) having presented only two candidates for the three vacant seats, only 21 members were elected by the General Conference at its 35th session. The remaining vacant seats will be open for election at the 36th session of the General Conference.

## Legal Committee 23 members elected by 34C

From the beginning of the 35th session (2009) until the beginning of the 36th session (2011)

#### **GROUP I**

#### Membership

France

Israel

Italy

Monaco

United States of America

#### **GROUP II**

Romania

Serbia

Slovakia

#### **GROUP III**

Argentina

Brazil

Chile

Guatemala

Jamaica

#### **GROUP IV**

India

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Japan

Philippines

#### **GROUP V(a)**

Burkina Faso

Kenya

#### **GROUP V(b)**

Algeria

Egypt

Lebanon

Sudan

## Legal Committee 21 members elected by the 35C

From the beginning of the 36th session (2011) until the beginning of the 37th session (2013)

#### **GROUP I**

France

Italy

United States of America

#### **GROUP II**

Azerbaijan

Estonia

Hungary

#### **GROUP III**

Argentina

Chile

Costa Rica

Guatemala

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

#### **GROUP IV**

India

Japan

New Zealand

Thailand

#### GROUP V(a)

Kenya

Nigeria

#### **GROUP V(b)**

Mauritania

Oman

Sudan

Tunisia

#### Meetings during the biennium

The Committee established for a session of the General Conference shall meet whenever necessary before the opening of the next ordinary session of the Conference if convened by the President of the latter acting on his own initiative or at the request of the Executive Board. (Rule 36 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference)

## **Headquarters Committee**

Origin	By resolution 4 C/Res. 29.1, adopted in 1949, the General Conference established the <b>Headquarters Committee</b> . The Headquarters Committee is governed by Rules 39 and 40 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, amended by 31 C/Res. 65 adopted by the General Conference at its 31st session in 2001.			
Functions	To advise the Director-General on all questions relating to the Organization's Headquarters, and to provide the Director-General with advice, suggestions, guidance and recommendations in this connection.			
Composition	The Committee consists of 24 Member States elected for four years, half of whom are replaced at each session (12 members to be elected).  The Group I presented only two candidates for the three vacant seats. As a result, the General Conference at its 35th session elected only 11 members. The remaining vacant seat will be open for election at the 36th session of the General Conference.			
Geographical distribution among electoral groups	Group I 4 seats Group II 2 seats Group III 4 seats Group IV 5 seats Group V 9 seats Total 24 seats			
Membership	Headquarters Committee 23 members - 4 year-mandate  Algeria 2011  Bolivia (Plurinational State of) 2011  Congo 2011  Côte d'Ivoire 2011  Czech Republic 2011  Democratic People's Republic of Korea 2013			

	Former	2011
	France	2011
	India	2013
	Japan	2013
	Kazakhstan	2011
	Kenya	2011
	Lao People's Democratic Republic	2011
	Lithuania	2011
	Mauritania	2013
	Mexico	2011
	Nigeria	2013
	Oman	2013
	Peru	2011
	Portugal	2013
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2013
	South Africa	2013
	Spain	2013
	Zambia	2013
Bureau	The Committee elects its own chair Bureau was elected in November 2009 Chairperson: Portugal Vice-Chairpersons: Czech Republic, F Rapporteur: Algeria Bureau Members: Kazakhstan, Mexico	9. Kenya
Meetings during the biennium	The Committee meets whenever questions relating to Headquarters Director-General or by one of the Committee. Provisional dates for 2010 February 2010: Bureau meeting and Committee June 2010: Bureau meeting and 174th sess November 2010: Bureau meeting and Committee	submitted by the emembers of the little litt
Sector/Division responsible	Sector for Administration Headquarters Division	

# Conciliation and Good Offices Commission responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes that may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education

Origin	At its 12th session, on 10 December 1962, the General Conference adopted a Protocol instituting Conciliation and Good Offices Commission to be responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education.  Article 1 of this Protocol established, under the auspices of UNESCO, a Conciliation and Good Offices Commission, to be responsible for seeking the amicable settlement of disputes between States Parties to the Convention concerning the application or interpretation of the Convention.  The Protocol having entered into force on 24 October 1968, at its 16th session, under Article 2 of the Protocol, the General Conference elected the 11 members of the Commission on 6 November 1970.
Functions	The Conciliation and Good Offices Commission is responsible for seeking the amicable settlement of disputes between States Parties to the Convention concerning the application or interpretation of the Convention.
Composition	Under Article 2 of the Protocol, the members of the Commission must be persons of high moral standing and acknowledged impartiality. They serve in their personal capacity. In the election of members of the Commission, the General Conference shall endeavor to include persons of recognized competence in the field of education, and persons having judicial experience, or legal experience, particularly of an international character. It shall also give consideration to equitable geographical distribution of

membership, and to the representation of the different forms of civilization as well as of the principal legal systems.

Article 4, paragraph 1, of the Protocol provides that the Commission may not include more than one national of the same State.

Article 3, paragraph 1, of the Protocol provides that the members of the Commission shall be elected from a list of persons nominated for the purpose by the States Parties to the Protocol, after consultation with their National Commissions for UNESCO. Each State Party may nominate not more than four persons, who must be nationals of States Parties to the Protocol.

The Commission normally consists of 11 members, in accordance with Article 2 of the 1962 Protocol. The members of the Commission are elected for a term of six years, in accordance with Article 5 of the Protocol.

It is to be noted that States Parties of the Protocol presented at the 34th session of the General Conference only two candidates for the three vacant seats.

The States Parties to the Protocol presented only three candidates for the seven vacant seats at the 35th session of the General Conference. According to the provisions of Article 7 of the Protocol and to its interpretation made by the Meeting of the States Parties to the Protocol (Paris, 7 and 8 October 2003), the three members who have not been replaced at the end of their term of office at the 35th session of the General Conference will continue to be regarded as members until the next election. The remaining vacant seat will be also open for election at the next election during the 36th session of the General Conference.

	Côte d'Ivoire	Ms Léa Akissi	2011
	Egypt	Ms Iman El Kaffas	2011
Membership	France	Mr Pierre-Michel Eisemann	2015
	Germany	Mr Klaus Hüfner	2015
	Italy	Mr Francesco Margiotta-Broglio	2015

	Jordan	Mr Munther W. Masri		2011
	Madagascar	Ms Yve	ette Rabetafika-Ranjeva	2011
	Philippines	Ms Vili	ma Labrador	2013
	Portugal Mr Antonio Pedro Barbas Homem			2013
	Uganda	Ms Floa	rence Mutonyi D'Ujanga	2011
	List of states	s partie	es to the protocol instit	uting a
		-	ood offices commission	to be
			ng the settlement of any	
	•		between states parties	to the
	convention ag	ainst dis	scrimination in education	
	Argentina		Madagascar	
	Australia		Malta	
	Brunei Daruss	alam	Morocco	
	Costa Rica		Netherlands	
	Côte d'Ivoire		Niger	
List of states	Cyprus		Norway	
parties to the	Denmark		Panama	
protocol	Dominica		Philippines	
	Egypt		Portugal	
	France		Saint Vincent and the Gren	adines
	Germany		Senegal	dames
	Guatemala		Solomon Islands	
	O GALLO III GILLA			
	Israel		South Africa	
	Italy		Spain	
	Jordan		Uganda	
	Libyan Arab		United Kingdom of Great l	Britain
	Jamahiriya		and Northern Ireland	

## Council of the International Bureau of Education (IBE)

	Educational, Scientificand Cultural Organization (IBE)	
Origin of IBE	The International Bureau of Education was foun in Geneva in 1925 as a private, non government organization. Its aims were to centralize documentate related to public and private education, to take interest in scientific research in the educational finand to serve as a coordinating centre for institutions societies concerned with education. In 1929, it extensits membership to governments and thus became first intergovernmental organization in the field education. In 1969, the IBE became, under new status an integral part of UNESCO, while retaining was intellectual and functional autonomy (15 C/Res. 1 (1968). Statutes entered into force on 1st January 19 Modified at its 19th (19 C/Res. 1.521), 21st C/Res.1/13), 24th (24 C/Res. 4.3), 25th (25 C/Res.1/12.1), 28th (28 C/Res. 1.10 and 22) and 29th (29 C/Res. 3) sessions.	ntal tion an eld, and ded the of ites, vide 14.1 969. (21 Res.
Mission of IBE	The IBE is UNESCO's Institute specialized in contimethods, policies and processes of curricul development. Its overall mission is to contribute to attainment of quality education for all and programmes are guided by the IBE Strategy 2008-20. To this end, the IBE builds networks to showledge on and foster national capacities curriculum change and development in all regions of world. It aims to introduce innovative approaches curriculum design and implementation, to impropractical skills, and facilitate international dialogue educational policies and practices. The IBE works	the its 13. hare for the s in rove

	partnership with governments, international organizations, NGOs and academic institutions, and provides technical assistance, training, policy support and a wide range of information resources. Special emphasis is placed on addressing the needs of Member States in Africa as well as in poor, transition, and conflict affected areas. The IBE organizes the sessions of the International Conference on Education (ICE); the 48th session took place in November 2008.  The IBE promotes the development of quality curricula through:  (i) Capacity Development and Technical Assistance Enhancing the capacities for the design, management and implementation of curriculum development processes among specialists, practitioners and decision-makers;  (ii) Knowledge Production and Management - Improving the quality of curriculum-making processes and products; and  (iii) Policy Dialogue - Informing innovative policies and practices in the field of curriculum reform and change, which includes the organization of the ICE and its follow-up programme.
Mandate of the Council	<ul> <li>To draw up the programme and budget of the Bureau;</li> <li>To define activities to be undertaken and supervise their implementation;</li> <li>To approve the draft annual budget of the Bureau;</li> <li>To verify budget execution and audited accounts of the Bureau;</li> <li>To make proposals for the preparation and organization of the sessions of the ICE;</li> <li>To mobilize human and financial resources.</li> </ul>
Composition	The Council consists of 28 Member States elected by the General Conference, half of whom are replaced at each session (14 members to be elected). Their term of

	office runs from the end of the session of the General Conference which designates them to the end of the second ordinary session of the General Conference following. (Article III.2 of the Statutes)		
	As amended by 28C/Res.22,	= -	
	Conference at its 28th session	on in 1995:	
Geographical	Group I	5 seats	
distribution	Group II	4 seats	
among	Group III	4 seats	
electoral	Group IV	6 seats	
groups	Group V(a)	6 seats	
	Group V(b)	3 seats	
	Total	28 seats	
	IBE Council		
	28 members -	4 year-mandate	
	Member	Term expires	
	GROUP I (5)		
	Germany	2013	
	Israel	2013	
	Norway	2013	
	Switzerland	2011	
	United States of An	nerica 2013	
Membership	GROUP II (4)		
_	Czech Republic	2011	
	Hungary	2011	
	Georgia	2013	
	Russian Federation	2011	
	GROUP III (4)		
	Brazil	2013	
	Dominican Republi	c 2013	
	Ecuador	2011	
	Jamaica	2013	

	GROUP IV (6)	
	India	2011
	Indonesia	2011
	Japan	2011
	Malaysia	2011
	Pakistan	2013
	Thailand	2013
	Thanand	2011
	GROUP V(a) (6)	
	Cameroon	2011
	Côte d'Ivoire	2013
	Mali	2011
	Mozambique	2011
	Uganda	2013
	United Republic of Tanzania	2013
	CD OVD V(1) (2)	
	GROUP V(b) (3)	2012
	Lebanon	2013
	Morocco	2013
	Oman	2011
	I) The Steering Committee (elected for	2 years; mandate
	renewable once) comprises:	
	i) President: Mr Ole Briseid, Director (	
	of Education and Research, Norway (2	
	ii) 5 Vice-Presidents pertaining to the	other 5 Electoral
	Groups:	34 34 1
	Group II (Eastern and Central Europe)	: Ms. Maia
	SIPRASHVILI-LEE (Georgia)	
Bureau	Group III (Latin America and the Caril	
	Ana Rita GUZMAN (Dominican Repu	
	Group IV (Asia and the Pacific): Mr. I	mtiaz KAZI
	(Pakistan)	NIII (III
	Group Va (Africa): Dr. Paul S.D. MUS	SHI (United
	Republic of Tanzania)	Colores AI
	Group Vb (Arab States): Dr. Said Bin	Saieem AL-
	KITANI (Oman)	
	II) Subsidiary bodies:	

	a) Administrative Group and b) Working Group for the preparation of the ICE, with one member from each of the 6 Electoral Groups; and c) Working Group in charge of finalizing the "Strategy aimed at making the IBE UNESCO's Centre of Excellence in curriculum-related matters" with two members from each of the 6 Electoral Groups; the task of this Working Group will be concluded by end of 2010.
Meetings during the biennium	Ordinary Sessions: at least once every year (Article IV.1 of the Statutes). 23-25 January 2008: 56th session of the IBE Council 25 and 28 November 2008: 57th session of the IBE Council (special session immediately before and after the 48th session of the International Conference on Education) 28-30 January 2009: 58th session of the IBE Council 27-29 January 2010: 59th session of the IBE Council 26-28 January 2011: 60th session of the IBE Council Steering Committee: once a year (usually around summer)
Sector/Division responsible	Education Sector
IBE website	http://www.ibe.unesco.org/

## Intergovernmental Council for the Information for All Programme (IFAP)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Intergovernmental Council for the Information for All Programme (IFAP)	
Origin	On the recommendation of the General Information Programme (PGI) Council and the Intergovernmental Informatics Programme (IIP) Committee, the General Conference authorized the Executive Board to create the <b>Information for All Programme</b> (30 C/Res. 36, 1999) merging the PGI and the IIP. The activities carried out by these two programmes no longer responded to the needs of the information society or to the new requirements of UNESCO in this area (160 EX/Dec.3.6.1). The Executive Board, at its 162nd session (2001), amended the statutes of IFAP (162 EX/Dec.3.7.2).	
Mission of the Programme	<ul> <li>EX/Dec.3.7.2).</li> <li>To be a key participant in the fulfillment of UNESCO's mandate to contribute to "Education for All", to the "free exchange of ideas and knowledge" and to "increase the means of communication between peoples".</li> <li>To contribute to narrowing the gap between the information rich and the information poor.</li> <li>To take direct initiatives, commission studies, facilitate cooperation, analyse and report on all aspects of access to and management of information.</li> <li>To give priority to working with all UNESCO sectors in the adaptation of the Information and communication technology (ICT) to their activities.</li> </ul>	

Mandate of the Council	To guide the planning and i consider proposals on the d of the Programme; to review to define the basic arinternational co-operation; and of Member States in the Programme.	evelopment and adaptation v and assess achievements; reas requiring increased and to promote participation
Composition	The Council consists of 26 Member States. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session. The Council is renewed by half; 13 members are to be elected at each ordinary session of the General Conference.  It is to be noted that Group I has not presented candidates for the two vacant seats. As a result, only 11 members are proposed for election by the General Conference at its 35th session. The two remaining vacant seats will be open for election at the 36th session of the General Conference.	
Geographical distribution among electoral groups	Recommended by the Interim Committee for IFAP (doc. 31 C/REP/18) and amended by the Executive Board (162 EX/Dec. 3.7.2 – 2001) which increased from 24 to 26 the number of members of the Council.  Group I 5 seats  Group II 3 seats  Group III 4 seats  Group IV 5 seats  Group IV 5 seats  Group V 9 seats  Total 26 seats	

	Intergovernmental Council of the II	FAP	
	24 members – 4-year mandate		
	Member Term ex	pires	
	GROUP I (5)	<b>L</b>	
	Austria	2011	
	France	2011	
	Israel	2011	
	GROUP II (3)		
	Latvia	2013	
	Russian Federation	2013	
	Ukraine	2013	
	GROUP III (4)		
	Brazil	2011	
	Colombia	2013	
	Grenada	2011	
	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2011	
Membership	GROUP IV (5)		
	China	2013	
	Democratic People's Republic of	2013	
	Korea	2011	
	Philippines	2013	
	Thailand	2011	
	Viet Nam	2011	
	GROUP V (9)		
	Côte d'Ivoire	2011	
	Ethiopia	2013	
	Kenya	2011	
	Kuwait	2013	
	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	2011	
	Madagascar	2013	
	Mali	2013	
	Nigeria	2011	
	United Arab Emirates	2013	

Bureau	The current Bureau was elected by the 6th Session of the Intergovernmental Council for the Information for All Programme, which took place at UNESCO Headquarters, from 29 to 30 March 2010. Chairperson: - Evgeny Kuzmin (Russian Federation) 3 Vice-chairpersons: - Dietrich Schüller (Austria) - Khaled Al-Razni (Kuwait) - Angelo Timoteo M. Diaz de Rivera (The Philippines) Members: - Emir José Suaiden (Brazil) - Andrejs Vasiljevs (Latvia) - Victor Rakoto (Madagascar) Rapporteur: - Mrs Anne-Marie Konan Payne (Côte d'Ivoire)
Meetings during the biennium	14-15 January 2010: Meeting of the 16th IFAP Bureau 29-30 March 2010: 6th IFAP Council meeting 31 March 2010: Meeting of the 17th IFAP Bureau
Sector/Division responsible	Communication and Information Sector Information Society Division
IFAP website	http://www.unesco.org/webworld/ifap/

# International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere (MAB)

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	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Line Transitional Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere (MAB)
Origin	By Resolution 16 C/Res. 2.313, adopted at its 16th session in 1970, the General Conference decided to launch a long-term intergovernmental and interdisciplinary programme on "Man and the Biosphere" (MAB). Statutes amended by the General Conference at its 19th (19C/Res. 2.152) (1976), 20th (20 C/Res. 36.1) (1978) 23rd (1985), 25th (1989) and 28th (28 C/Res. 22) (1995) sessions.
Mission of the Programme	To develop the basis, within the natural and the social sciences, for the sustainable use and conservation of biological diversity, and for the improvement of the relationship between people and their environment globally.  The MAB Programme encourages interdisciplinary research, demonstration and training in natural resource management. MAB contributes to better understanding of the environment, including global change and greater involvement of science and scientists in policy development concerning the wise use of biological diversity.
Mandate of the Council	<ul> <li>To guide and supervise the Programme;</li> <li>To review the progress made in its implementation;</li> <li>To recommend research projects and to assess priorities among them;</li> <li>To coordinate the international cooperation of Member States participating in the Programme;</li> <li>To facilitate the development of national and regional</li> </ul>

		essary for th	•	and scientific - implementation
Composition	The Council consists of 34 Member States. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session. The General Conference shall elect 19 Members at each of its even ordinary session and 15 at each of its odd ordinary session.			
	As amended by 28 Conference at its			General
	Group		7 seats	
Geographical distribution	Grou		4 seats	
among electoral	Group	•	6 seats	
groups	Group	•	6 seats	
	Group	v V	11 seats	
	Total		34 seats	
	MAB Council			
	Member		T	erm expires
	GROUP I			
	Austria			2013
	Germany			2011
Membership	Italy			2011
Wiembersmp	Norway			2013
	Portugal			2013
	Spain			2011
	Turkey			2013
	GROUP II			
	Lithuania			2013

T	
Russian Federation	2011
Slovakia	2011
Ukraine	2011
GROUP III	
Argentina	2011
Colombia	2011
	2011
Dominican Republic	_
Jamaica	2013
Mexico	2013
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2011
GROUP IV	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	2013
India	2013
Indonesia	2011
Kazakhstan	2013
Republic of Korea	2011
Sri Lanka	2011
GROUP V(a)	
Benin	2013
Ethiopia	2013
Madagascar	2011
Mali	2011
Nigeria	2013
Togo	2011
Zimbabwe	2011
CDOVD V(I)	
GROUP V(b)	2012
Bahrain	2013
Egypt	2011
Jordan	2013
Lebanon	2013

Bureau	The Bureau was elected for 2010-2011 by the MAB International Co-ordinating Council, which met at UNESCO Headquarters, 31 May – 4 June 2010. Chairperson: Republic of Korea (Mr Chung-Il Choi) Vice-Chairs: - Argentina - Austria - Benin - Egypt - Russian Federation (Rapporteur - Mr Valery Neronov) The MAB Bureau meets between Council sessions.
Meetings during the biennium	The Council meets once every two years.  22nd session: 31 May – 4 June 2010  Next meeting: 2012
Sector/Division responsible	Natural Sciences Sector Division of Ecological and Earth Sciences
MAB website	http://www.unesco.org/mab/

## Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (IHP)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (IHP)	
Origin	On the recommendation of the International Conference on the Results of the International Hydrological Decade, the General Conference decided to launch the <b>International Hydrological Programme</b> , by Resolution 18 C/Res.2.232 adopted at its 18th session in 1974. Statutes amended by the General Conference at its 20th (1978), 21st (1980), 23rd (1985), 27th (1993) and 28th (1995) sessions.	
Mission of the Programme	As an Intergovernmental programme of international cooperation in the field of hydrology, its main objectives are:  — to provide a scientific framework for general development of hydrological activities;  — to improve the study of the hydrological cycle and the scientific methodology for the assessment of water resources;  — to assist Member States in the organization and development of their national hydrologic activities.  The aim of IHP is also to improve the scientific and technological basis on which to build sound management methods for water resources, respectful of the environment.	
Mandate of the Council	<ul> <li>To guide, to define priorities and to supervise the implementation of the Programme;</li> <li>To study proposals concerning developments and modifications of the Programme and also to plan for its implementation;</li> </ul>	

	<ul> <li>priorities among sucl</li> <li>To co-ordinate inte</li> <li>Member States in the</li> <li>To assist in the devel projects;</li> <li>To take any practical</li> </ul>	entific projects and to assess a projects; ernational co-operation among a framework of the Programme; lopment of regional and national l or scientific measures required plementation of the Programme.	
Composition	The Council consists of 36 Member States. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session. The General Conference shall elect 22 Members at each of its even ordinary session and 14 at each of its odd ordinary session.		
Geographical distribution among electoral groups	As amended by 28 C/Res Conference at its 28th se Group I Group III Group IV Group V Total	.22, adopted by the General ssion in 1995: 7 seats 4 seats 6 seats 7 seats 12 seats 36 seats	
	IHP Council		
Membership	Member GROUP I Finland Germany Italy Netherlands Portugal Turkey	2011 2011 2013 2011 2013 2011	

United States of America	2013
GROUP II	
Bulgaria	2011
Hungary	2011
Russian Federation	2011
Serbia	2013
GROUP III	
Brazil	2011
Chile	2011
Cuba	2013
Mexico	2013
Paraguay	2011
Peru	2011
GROUP IV	
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	$2011^{2}$
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2013
Japan	2013
Malaysia	2013
Pakistan	$2011^{3}$
Philippines	$2011^4$
Republic of Korea	2013

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, term of office expires in 2011, based on a seat-sharing arrangement with India that was elected at 34 C for the period 2007-2011 and withdrew at 35 C to allow DPR of Korea to occupy remaining 2-year term of office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For Pakistan, term of office expires in 2011, based on a seat-sharing arrangement with China that was elected at 34 C for the period 2007-2011 and withdrew at 35 C to allow Pakistan to occupy remaining 2-year term of office.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For the Philippines, term of office expires in 2011, based on a seat-sharing arrangement with Indonesia that was elected at 34 C for the period 2007-2011 and withdrew at 35 C to allow the Philippines to occupy remaining 2-year term of office.

	GROUP V(a)	
	Ghana	2011
	Kenya	2011
	Nigeria	2013
	Senegal	2011
	Uganda	2013
	United Republic of Tanzania	2011
	GROUP V(b)	
	Jordan	2013
	Morocco	2013
	Oman	2011
	Sudan	2011
	Tunisia	2011
	United Arab Emirates	2011
Bureau	The current Bureau was elected for the period 2010-2011 by the 19th session of the Intergovernmental Council of IHP held in July 2010. Next elections: June 2012. Chairperson: Mr Soontak Lee (Republic of Korea) Vice-Chairpersons:  - Mr Matthew Carl Larsen (United States of America)  - Mr Jovan Despotovic (Serbia)  - Mr Polioptro F. Martinez Austria (Mexico)  - Mr Juma Chrispine Omondi (Kenya)  - Mr Abdin Mohd Ali Salih (Sudan)	
Meetings during the biennium	The Council meets once every two years in plenary session.  44th session of the IHP Bureau: 6-8 May 2010, at the UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education, Delft 19th session of the IHP Intergovernmental Council: 5-9 July 2010, at the UNESCO Headquarters, Paris	
Sector/Division responsible	Natural Sciences Sector/Division of Water Sciences	
IHP website	http://www.unesco.org/water/ihp	

# Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Countries of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation (ICPRCP)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Lintergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Countries of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation (ICPRCP)	
Origin	Committee established by the General Conference at its 20th session, in 1978 (20 C/Res. 4/7.6/5). Statutes amended by the General Conference at its 23rd (23 C/Res. 32.1) (1985), 28th (28 C/Res. 22) (1995) and 33rd (33 C/Res.44) (2005) sessions.	
Mission and Mandate of the Committee	<ul> <li>To seek ways and means of facilitating bilateral negotiations for the restitution or return of cultural property to its countries of origin;</li> <li>To promote multilateral and bilateral cooperation in this respect;</li> <li>To submit proposals with a view to mediation or conciliation to the Member States concerned;</li> <li>To encourage the necessary research and studies for the establishment of coherent programmes for the constitution of representative collections in countries whose cultural heritage has been dispersed;</li> <li>To foster a public information campaign on the real nature, scale and scope of the problem;</li> <li>To guide the planning and implementation of UNESCO's programme of activities in the matter;</li> <li>To encourage the establishment or reinforcement of museums or other institutions</li> </ul>	

	for the conservation of cultural property and the training of the necessary scientific and technical personnel;  To promote exchanges of cultural property in accordance with the Recommendation on the International Exchange of Cultural Property.		
Composition	The Committee consists of 22 Member States. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session. The General Conference shall elect 12 Members at each of its even ordinary session and 10 at each of its odd ordinary session.		
Geographical distribution among electoral groups	Group I Group II Group III Group IV Group V Total	3 seats 3 seats 4 seats 5 seats 7 seats 22 seats	
	PRCP Committee		
	Member	Term expires	
Membership	GROUP I Greece Italy United States of America GROUP II Belarus Czech Republic Romania	2011 2011 2011 2011 2011 2013	

	GROUP III	
	Argentina	2013
	Guatemala	2013
	Mexico	2013
	Peru	2011
	GROUP IV	
	China	2013
	India	2013
	Japan	2011
	Mongolia	2011
	Republic of Korea	2013
	GROUP V(a)	
	Burkina Faso	2011
	Niger	2011
	Nigeria	2013
	Senegal	2013
	Zimbabwe	2011
	GROUP V(b)	
	Iraq	2013
	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	2011
Bureau	The current Bureau was elected of the ICPRCP which was Headquarters in Paris from 11 term expires: 2011.	held at UNESCO o 13 May 2009. Its
Dureau	Chairperson: Mr. Mohammed Shabaan Sheya (United Republic of Tanzania) 4 Vice-Chairpersons: Greece, Belarus, Mongolia and Libyan Arab Jamahiriya Rapporteur: Peru	

Meetings during the biennium	21-23 April 2010, UNESCO Headquarters, room XI: 16th session of the ICPRCP.
Sector/Division responsible	Culture Sector Division of Cultural Objects and Intangible Heritage
Website	http://www.unesco.org/culture/en/

# Executive Committee for the International Campaign for the Establishment of the Nubia Museum in Aswan and the National Museum of Egyptian Civilization in Cairo

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Executive Committee for the International Campaign for the Establishment of the Nubia Museum in Aswan and the National Museum of Egyptian Civilization in Cairo
Origin	In 1980, at its 21st session, the General Conference approved the creation of the Executive Committee of the International Campaign for the establishment of the Nubia Museum in Aswan and the National Museum of Egyptian Civilization in Cairo (21 C/Res.4/11).
Mission of the Committee	To advise the Director-General on all questions which may arise in the course of the operations for the establishment of the museums in Aswan and Cairo, particularly on the preservation of the international character of the enterprise and the co-ordination of work, on the appropriation of sums from the Trust Fund to be established for this purpose, on promotional activities.
Composition	The Council consists of 15 Member States appointed for a term of office of 2 years and entirely replaced at each ordinary session of the General Conference. They are renewable until the completion of the project.  It is to be noted that Group I presented only four candidates for the five vacant seats, that Group II presented only one candidate for the two vacant seats and that Group V(a) presented only one candidate for the two vacant seats. As a result, only 12 Member States have been elected at the 35th session until the end of the 36th session. The remaining vacant seats in

	each electoral group will be open for election at the 36th session of the General Conference.	
Membership	Current membership of the Committee Group I: Canada, Finland, France, Switzerland Group II: Czech Republic Group III: Costa Rica, Peru Group IV: Australia, Japan Group V (a): Senegal Group V (b): Egypt, Sudan	
Bureau	Bureau elected at the 17th session of the Committee in June 2009: Chairperson: Dr A. Vatandoust (Islamic republic of Iran) Vice-chairperson: Dr Zahi Hawass (Egypt) Rapporteur: Dr François Tremblay (Canada) A new Bureau will be elected by the 18th session of the Committee, which shall take place in 2011.	
Meetings during the biennium	Informal information meeting for the Committee: UNESCO Headquarters, 23 February 2010. 18th session of the Committee: 2011	
Sector/Division responsible	Culture Sector Division of Cultural Objects and Intangible Heritage	
Website	http://www.unesco.org/culture/en/movableheritage/museums	

## Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC)
Origin	At its 21st session, in 1980, the General Conference decided to establish an <b>International Programme for the Development of Communication</b> (IPDC) (21 C/Res. 4/21).
Mission of the Programme	The objective of IPDC is to contribute to sustainable development, democracy and good governance by fostering universal access to and distribution of information and knowledge by strengthening the capacities of the developing countries and countries in transition in the field of electronic media and the printed press (as amended by 32C/Res.43).
Mandate of the Council	Within the framework of the decisions of the General Conference concerning the IPDC, the Council is responsible for:  - Policy-making, guiding the planning and implementation of the Programme;  - Approving priorities of the Programme;  - Reviewing and assessing achievements on the basis of implementation and evaluation reports on the projects and defining the basic areas requiring increased international cooperation;  - Reviewing ways and means whereby Member States might participate more effectively in the Programme;  - Approving an appropriate system of financing for the Programme in order to secure the necessary resources for the benefit of those requesting assistance from the

	Communication. The Bureau shall discharmay assign to it. The responsibility for project allocation of funds from the organization of work of the shall act as jury for select	ge such duties as the Council Bureau shall assume full oct selection, approval and the Special Account and plan the the Council session. The Bureau cting the winner of the IPDC-I Communication (as amended	
Composition	The Council consists of 39 Member States. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session. The General Conference shall elect 21 Members at each of its even ordinary session and 18 at each of its odd ordinary session.		
	As amended by 28 C/Res. 2 Conference at its 28th sess	22, adopted by the General	
Geographical	Group I	7 seats	
distribution	Group II	5 seats	
among	Group III	7 seats	
electoral	Group IV	7 seats	
groups	Group V	13 seats	
	Total	39 seats	
	IPDO	C Council	
	Member	Term expires	
N. 1 1.	GROUP I		
Membership	Denmark	2011	
	Finland	2013	
	Italy	2011	
	Spain	2011	

Switzerland	2011
United Kingdom of Great Britain	2013
and Northern Ireland	
United States of America	2011
GROUP II	
Albania	2013
Hungary	2011
Romania	2011
Russian Federation	2013
GROUP III	
Brazil	2013
Bolivia	2013
Colombia	2011
Cuba	2013
Ecuador	2013
Jamaica	2011
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2011
venezueia (Bonvarian Republic or)	2011
GROUP IV	
Afghanistan	2013
Bangladesh	2013
India	2013
Kazakhstan	2013
Pakistan	2013
Tajikistan	2011
Thailand	2013
Viet Nam	2013
VIOLITAINI	2011
GROUP V(a)	
Benin	2011
Cameroon	2011
Madagascar	2011
Mali	2011
Namibia	2011
Senegal	2011
Schegai	2011

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	Uganda	2013	
	United Republic of Tanzania	2013	
	Zambia	2011	
	CD OVD V/4		
	GROUP V(b)	2012	
	Egypt	2013	
	Jordan	2011	
	Syrian Arab Republic	2013	
	Yemen	2011	
Bureau	The current Bureau was elected by the 27th session of the Council, 22-24 March 2010, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France: Chairperson: Mr Raghu Menon (India) Vice-Chairpersons: Egypt (for one year, followed by Yemen), Thailand, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) Rapporteur: Mr Mamadou Koumé (Senegal) Members: Namibia, Russian Federation, United States of America		
Meetings during the biennium	27th Session of the Council: 24-26 March 2010 (election of the new Bureau) 54th IPDC Bureau Meeting: 24-26 February 2010 (project selection, allocation of funds, selection of the winner of the IPDC-UNESCO Prize for Rural Communication) 55th IPDC Bureau Meeting: March 2011 (project selection, allocation of funds from the IPDC Special Account)		
Sector/Division responsible	Communication and Information Sector Secretariat of the IPDC		
IPDC website	http://www.unesco.org/webworld/ipdc/		

### Intergovernmental Council of the Management of Social Transformations (MOST) Programme

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Lintergovernmental Council of the Management of Social Transformations (MOST) Programme
Origin	At its 27th session, in 1993, the General Conference decided to establish an international social science programme entitled <b>Management of Social Transformations (MOST)</b> , and adopted the resolution 27 C/5.2. Statutes amended by the General Conference at its 28th (1995) session.
Mission of the Programme	MOST is a UNESCO Programme that promotes international, comparative and policy-relevant research on contemporary social transformations and issues of global importance. It aims to further understand social transformations, establish sustainable links between social science researchers and decision-makers, strengthen scientific, professional and institutional capacities, particularly in developing countries, and encourage the design of research-anchored policy.  The MOST Programme is directed by an Intergovernmental Council (IGC) and an independent Scientific Advisory Committee.
Mandate of the Council	<ul> <li>To guide and supervise the planning and implementation of the MOST Programme;</li> <li>To consider proposals on the development and adaptation of the MOST Programme;</li> <li>To define the broad substantive areas of the MOST Programme and to recommend the broad lines of action that the Programme could take;</li> <li>To review and assess the activities and achievements</li> </ul>

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	of the MOST Programme as well as to define the basic areas requiring increased international co- operation, on the basis, inter alia, of the report submitted by the Scientific Advisory Committee that the Council may consult in exercising its functions.			
Composition	The Council consists of 35 Member States. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session. The General Conference shall elect 18 Members at each of its even ordinary session and 17 at each of its odd ordinary session.  It is to be noted that at 34th session of the General Conference, Group I presented only two candidates for the three vacant seats. As a result, the remaining vacant seat was opened for election at the 35th session of the General Conference.			
		v 28 C/Res. 22, its 28th session		the General
C 1: 1	· ·	oup I	6 seats	
Geographical distribution		•		
among		oup II	4 seats	
electoral		oup III	6 seats	
groups		oup IV	7 seats	
		oup V	12 seats	
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	GROUP I			
Membership	Austria			2013
	Finland			2011
	Greece			2013
	Israel			2013

	Norway	2013
	Switzerland	2011
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	GROUP II	2012
	Albania	2013
	Bulgaria	2011
	Georgia	2011
	Latvia	2013
	GROUP III	
	Argentina	2011
	Ecuador	2011
	Guatemala	2013
	Jamaica	2013
	Panama	2013
	Trinidad and Tobago	2013
	Timidad and Tobago	2013
	GROUP IV	
	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2013
	Indonesia	2011
	Kazakhstan	2011
	Malaysia	2013
	New Zealand	2013
	Pakistan	2011
	Philippines	2013
	GROUP V(a)	
	Angola	2011
	Benin	2011
	Cameroon	2013
	Côte d'Ivoire	2011
	Kenya	2011
	Mozambique	2011
	Ethiopia	2013
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	Nigeria	2013
	GROUP V(b)	
	Lebanon	2013
	Qatar	2011
	United Arab Emirates	2013
	Yemen	2011
Bureau	Bureau elected at the Extraordinary IGC October 2009: President: Argentina - H. E. Ms Alici Minister of Social Development. Vice-Presidents by group: - Group I: Finland - Group II: Albania - Group IV: Malaysia - Group V(a): Côte d'Ivoire - Group V(b): Lebanon Rapporteur: Philippines	
Scientific Advisory Committee	The autonomous Committee is an independency six experts of international standing, one of which advises the Director-General and a scientific questions, projects, ethical and concerns and thematic development. Its mappointed by the Director-General for a 3-y office.	each region, the IGC on professional nembers are
Meetings during the biennium	The Council meets once every two years session.  The IGC Bureau has been strengthen recommendation of the 6th IGC session a least once a year.  The Scientific Advisory Committee also myear, in conjunction with IGC Burea whenever possible.	ed by the nd meets at neets once a

	<ul> <li>2010:         <ul> <li>19-20 April, UNESCO Headquarters: Joint MOST Intergovernmental Council Bureau and Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting</li> </ul> </li> <li>2011:         <ul> <li>June: Joint MOST Intergovernmental Council Bureau and Scientific Advisory Committee Meeting</li> <li>June: 10th session of the IGC of the MOST Programme</li> <li>October: Extraordinary Session of the IGC of the MOST Programme</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Sector/Division responsible	Social and Human Sciences Sector Division of Social Science Research and Policy	
Website	http://www.unesco.org/most/igc.htm	

## Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (IGBC)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
Origin	In 1993, the General Conference approved the establishment by the Director-General of the UNESCO International Bioethics Committee (27 C/Res. 5.15). In 1997, the General Conference adopted the Universal Declaration on the Human Genome and Human Rights (29 C/Res. 16) as well as a resolution for its implementation (29 C/Res. 17). At its 154th session, in 1998, the Executive Board approved the statutes of the International Bioethics Committee (IBC) (154 EX/Dec.8.4). In Article 11 of these statutes, the Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (IGBC) has been established.
Mission	<ul> <li>The IBC has the following functions:</li> <li>To keep abreast of progress in genetics, whilst at the same time taking care to ensure respect for the values of human dignity and freedom in view of the potential risks of irresponsible attitudes in biomedical research;</li> <li>To promote reflection on the ethical and legal issues raised by research in the life sciences and their applications;</li> <li>To encourage action to heighten awareness among the general public, specialized groups and public and private decision-makers involved in bioethics.</li> </ul>

Mandate	In accordance with Article 11 of the Statutes of the IBC, the IGBC examines the advice and recommendations of the IBC, including those concerned with the follow-up of the Universal Declaration. It informs the IBC of its opinions. It submits its opinions to the Director-General for transmission together with the advice and recommendations of the IBC, to the Member States, the Executive Board and the General Conference. It may transmit any proposals for the follow-up of the advice and recommendations of the IBC.	
Composition	The Committee consists of 36 Member States, half of whom are replaced at each session (18 members to be elected) of the General Conference. Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session.	
		cutive Board, in 1998, at its 155th (155 EX/Dec. 9.2)
Geographical	Group I	7 seats
distribution	Group II	4 seats
among	Group III	6 seats
electoral	Group IV	7 seats
groups	Group V	12 seats
	Total	36 seats
	Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee	
	Member	Term expires
Membership	GROUP I	
	Austria	2013
	Denmark	2011
	Germany	2013
	Greece	2013
	Portugal	2013

Switzerland	2011
United States of America	2011
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GROUPII	2012
Georgia	2013
Romania	2013
Russian Federation	2011
Serbia	2013
GROUP III	
Brazil	2013
Chile	2013
Colombia	2011
Dominican Republic	2011
Jamaica	2011
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2013
GROUP IV	
	2011
Democratic People's Republic of Korea India	2011 2011
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Indonesia	2011
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2011
Japan	2013
Philippines	2011
Republic of Korea	2011
GROUP V(a)	
Côte d'Ivoire	2013
Ghana	2013
Kenya	2013
Madagascar	2011
Mauritius	2011
Nigeria	2013
Togo	2011

	Zambia	2013
	GROUP V(b)	
	Lebanon	2011
	Oman	2013
	Saudi Arabia	2011
	Syrian Arab Republic	2011
Bureau	The current Bureau was elected by the 6th session IGBC in July 2009. Chairperson: Mr Abdulaziz Al Swailem (Saudi Vice-Chairpersons:  – Ms Cheryl Brown (Jamaica)  – Ms Linda Nielsen (Denmark)  – Mr Rem Petrov (Russian Federation)  – Mr Endang Sukara (Indonesia) Rapporteur: Mr Faneva Randrianadraina (Mada	Arabia)
Meetings during the biennium	The IBC meets at least once a year. The IGBC meets at least once every two years. The seventh ordinary session of IGBC will be held in 2011. If the Director-General so decides, a joint session of the IBC and the IGBC could be convened in 2010.	
Sector/Division responsible	Social and Human Sciences Sector Division of Ethics of Science and Technology	
Website	http://www.unesco.org/bioethics/	

## Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (CIGEPS)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (CIGEPS)
Origin	At its 20th session in 1978, the General Conference proclaimed the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport and established the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (CIGEPS) and the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport (FIDEPS), thus institutionalising UNESCO's action for the promotion of physical education and sport.  In 1997, at its 29th session, the General Conference welcomed the proposal for a more representative, flexible and cost-efficient structure, and decided to rescind the Statutes of the CIGEPS and of the FIDEPS, adopted by resolution 20 C/Res.1/5.4.3. By resolution 29 C/19, the General Conference adopted the new Statutes of the CIGEPS.
Mandate	<ul> <li>To guide and supervise the planning and implementation of UNESCO's strategy and programme in the field of physical activity and sport, in particular by recommending an order of priorities among the various activities;</li> <li>To promote international co-operation with a view to strengthening peace, friendship, understanding and mutual respect between peoples, in particular by helping Member States to co-ordinate their programmes and activities in this sphere;</li> <li>To facilitate the adoption, promotion and dissemination of the International Charter of</li> </ul>

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	General Conference at C/Res. 1/5.4/2);  To encourage recognit of physical education a To undertake in the firsport, such activities as decide;  To promote research ar publication of scientification of scientification of scientification of scientification of scientification of proposition of the sphere;  To encourage joint act effective co-operation in the puncture of the collaborate in the puncture of the sphere;  To enlist the technical, of the Members State sources of financing on	eld of physical activities and a the General Conference may and the collection, analysis and c works and other documents sical education and sport and rogrammes and staff training ion and useful, confident and in this field; preparation and evaluation of the in the field of physical financial and material support as and of public and private the ethical values of sport.
Composition	The Committee consists of 18 Member States, half of whom are replaced at each session (9 members to be elected). Their 4-year term of office extends from the end of the ordinary session of the General Conference during which they are elected until the end of its second subsequent ordinary session.	
Geographical distribution among electoral groups	Group I Group II Group III Group IV Group V Total	3 seats 3 seats 3 seats 5 seats 6 seats 18 seats

	CIGEPS	
	Member	Term expires
	GROUP I	
	Austria	2011
	Germany	2013
	Spain	2011
	GROUP II	
	Czech Republic	2013
	Lithuania	2011
	Ukraine	2011
	GROUP III	
	Cuba	2011
	Ecuador	2011
Membership	Jamaica	2013
	GROUP IV	
	Bangladesh	2013
	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2013
	Malaysia	2011
	GROUP V(a)	
	Kenya	2011
	Mozambique	2013
	Nigeria	2013
	GROUP V(b)	
	Algeria	2011
	Kuwait	2013
	Tunisia	2013

Bureau	The current Bureau was elected during the meeting held in July 2010 at UNESCO Headquarters. Chairperson: Mr Miguel Arias Estevez (Spain) Vice-chairpersons (in alphabetical order):  • Mr Arnaldo Fuxa (Cuba)  • Mr Ademola Onifade (Nigeria)  • Mr Hamid Sajadi Hezaveh (Islamic Republic of Iran)  • Mr Sigitas Stasiulis (Lithuania)  • Mr Zied Triki (Tunisia)
Meetings during the biennium	The Committee meets in regular session once every two years, unless exception.  Next meeting of the CIGEPS: 2012 (elections of the Bureau).  The Bureau meets at least once a year.
Sector/Division responsible	Social and Human Sciences Sector

## Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute of Statistics (UIS)

	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization  Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute of Statistics (UIS)	
Origin	In 1999, at its 30th session, the General Conference approved the creation of the <b>UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)</b> (30 C/Res. 43).	
Mission of the Institute	<ul> <li>To provide statistical information on education, science, culture and communication which helps decision-making in Member States;</li> <li>To foster the development of international statistics;</li> <li>To arrange for the collection, production, analysis and timely dissemination of policy-relevant statistics, indicators and related documentation;</li> <li>To support the development of the statistical and analytical capacities of Member States;</li> <li>To provide analysis services taking into account the needs of the Member States.</li> </ul>	
Mandate of the Board	<ul> <li>To approve the general policy and the nature of the Institute's activities;</li> <li>To set guidelines for the development of the programme, including an indication of the overall budget and of the balance of priorities;</li> <li>To examine the annual and other reports on the activities and yearly expenditures of the UIS.</li> </ul>	
	The Governing Board consists of 12 Members elected for a term of 4 years and sitting in a personal capacity. The General Conference elects 6 Members (half of whom – 3 members – are replaced at each session). The elected members are not eligible for re-election for a second consecutive term. The other 6 Members are	

	designated by the Director-General and can be re- elected/designated for a second consecutive term.  Members elected at the 34th session:  - Mr Chen Guoliang (China)  - Ms Laura Salamanca (El Salvador)  - Mr Rolands Ozols (Latvia)	
Composition	Members elected at the 35th session:  - Mr Yvon Fortin (Canada)  - Mr Collins Omondi Opiyo (Kenya)  - Mr Talal Bin Suleiman Al Rahbi (Oman)  Members designated by the Director-General  - Ms Grace Bediaco* (Ghana)  - Mr Johan-Kristian Tønder (Norway)  - Ms Sylvia Irene Schmelkes Del Valle* (Mexico)  - Mr Mark Schneider (United States of America)  - Sheikh Hamad bin Jabor Al Thani (Qatar)  The Members indicated by an asterisk will serve until 31  December 2013; the others will serve until 31 December 2011. The Members elected at the 35th session of the General Conference will serve until 31 December 2013.	
Meetings during the biennium	Once a year, in ordinary session, plus mid-term meetings of a Policy and Planning Committee.  11th session of the Policy and Planning Committee: 14 May 2010.  12th session of the Governing Board: 11-12 November 2010.	
Sector/Division responsible	UNESCO Institute for Statistics (Montreal, Canada)	
UIS website	http://www.uis.unesco.org/	