

- 1. Membership in UNESCO:** 21 October 1948
- 2. Membership on the Executive Board:** No
- 3. Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**
  - Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Country of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation, Vice-President Member (Term expires in 2017)
  - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission - Member
- 4. Your visits to Iraq:** 1
  - 2 November 2014
- 5. The former Director-General's visits to Iraq:** 1
  - 7 May 2009
- 6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO**
  - H.E. Mr. Mahmood Al-MullaKhalaf, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since 06 November 2014)
  - Staff: Ms. Miriam Mozgan, Deputy Permanent Delegate
  - Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Mr. Ali Muhammad Hussein Al Mashat (from December 1998 to June 2004)
- 7. UNESCO Office:** UNESCO Office for Iraq
  - Director of Office: Axel Plathe; E-mail: a.plathe@unesco.org
- 8. National Commission of Iraq for UNESCO:**
  - Date of establishment: 1962, it was restructured in 1978
  - Chairperson: Dr Mohamed Iqbal Omar Mamhoud, Minister of Education (since 2014)
  - Secretary-General: Mr Hassanain Fadhil Abaas Mouala, Director of Cultural Relations (since April 2008)
- 9. Personalities linked to UNESCO:** none
- 10. UNESCO Chairs:** none
- 11. Associated Schools:** 4
  - Iraq joined ASPnet in 2001 and there are 4 schools (4 secondary) participating in the Network.
- 12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none
- 13. Biosphere Reserves:** none
- 14. UNESCO Global Geoparks:** none
- 15. World Heritage Sites:** 4
  - Erbil Citadel (2014)
  - Samara Archaeological City (inscribed in 2007)
  - Ashur site (2003)
  - Hatra Site (inscribed in 1985)
- 16. Tentative Sites:** 11 properties
  - Ur (2000)
  - Nimrud (2000)

- The Ancient City of Nineveh (2000)
- The Fortress of Al-Ukhaidar (2000)
- Wasit (2000)
- Babylon - Cultural Landscape and Archaeological City (2003)
- The Marshlands of Mesopotamia (2003)
- The Site of Thilkifl (2010)
- Wadi Al-Salam Cemetery in Najaf (2011)
- Amedy city (2011)
- Historical Features of the Tigris River in Baghdad Rusafa, which extends from the school Al-Mustansiriya to the Abbasid Palace (2014)

**17. Intangible Heritage Lists:** 1 inscription on the Representative list

- Iraqi Maqam (November 2003)

**18. Memory of the World Register:** none

**19. Creative Cities Network:** none

**20. Legal instruments:** 16 ratified and 24 non-ratified

- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: not ratified
- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: ratification on 6 January 2010
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratification on 22 January 2013
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratification on 22 July 2013
- World Heritage Convention: ratification on 5 March 1974

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

**22. Participation Programme**

- 2016-2017: Submission in August 2016
- 2014-2015: 3 regional projects submitted for a total amount of US\$ 17,0577
- 2012-2013: no requests have been submitted
- 2010-2011: 9 projects submitted, but not approved