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KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON SERBIA/UNESCO COOPERATION

- 1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 20 December 2000
- 2. Membership on the Executive Board: Yes, for the period 2015-2019

3. Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions etc.:

• Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

4. The Director General's visit to Serbia: 1

• 2-3 September 2011: official visit, on the occasion of the 9th Regional Summit of the Heads of State of South-East Europe

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

• 2-5 May 2004: official visit to Serbia and Montenegro

6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:

- H. E. Mr Darko Tanaskovic, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (Since 10 February 2015)
- Staff: Mrs Aleksandra Kovac, Minister Counsellor; Ms Marija Antonijevic, Counsellor; and Mr Dragan Krneta, Technical and Administrative Assistant.
- Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Ms Zorica Tomic (November 2009 November 2013), H.E. Mr Dragoljub Najman (September 2001 November 2007), H.E. Mr Radomir Diklic, Ambassador to France (April 2001 September 2001).
- **7. UNESCO Office:** None. Serbia is covered by the UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe (BRESCE).

8. Commission of the Republic of Serbia for UNESCO:

- Date of establishment: in 1950, re-established in 2001
- President: Prof. Dr. Mr Goran Milasinovic (since April 2015)
- Secretary-General: Ms Jasmina Stankovic Tatarac (since April 2015)

9. Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:

- Mr Jovan Despotovic, Vice-Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Council for the International Hydrological Programme (term expires in 2014)
- Intergovernmental Committee on World Heritage (term expires in 2015), Rapporteur:
 Ms Jasna Zrnovic
- Note: The Serbian UNESCO Club Center in Belgrade proposed in February 2008 the tennis player Mr Novak Djokovic as a candidate for the title of UNESCO Champion of Sport to promote the fight against doping programme. The proposal was not then accepted by UNESCO.

10. UNESCO Chairs: 3

- UNESCO Chair in Water for Ecologically Sustainable Development, established at the University of Belgrade (2012).
- UNESCO Chair in Entrepreneurial Studies and Research, established at the University of Novi Sad (2008).
- UNESCO Chair in Studies of Interculturalism, Art and Cultural Management and Mediation in the Balkans, established at the University of Arts in Belgrade (2004)
- **11. Associated Schools:** 26 (18 primary and 6 secondary schools, and 2 vocational and technical institutions). Serbia joined the ASP Network in 1998.

12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 2

- International Research and Training Centre on Urban Drainage (IRTCUD), Belgrade (approved by the General Conference in 2007)
- Regional Centre "Water for Sustainable Development and Adaptation to Climate Change" at the Institute for Water Resources in Belgrade.

13. UNESCO Clubs: 29 Clubs

14. Biosphere Reserves: 1

Golija-Studenica (2001)

15. World Heritage Sites: 5 cultural sites

- Stećci Medieval Tombstones Graveyards (2016)
- Gamzigrad-Romuliana, Palace of Galerius (2007)
- Medieval Monuments in Kosovo (Decani Monastery, 2004; Patriarchate of Peć Monastery, Gračanica Monastery and the Church of the Virgin of Ljeviša, 2006), inscribed on the List of the World Heritage in Danger in 2006
- Studenica Monastery (1986)
- Stari Ras and Sopocani (1979)

16. Tentative List: 12 properties

- Frontiers of the Roman Empire (WHS FRE) (2015)
- Stećak's Medieval Tombstones (2011)
- Fortified Manasija Monastery (2010)
- Negotinske Pivnice (2010)
- Smederevo Fortress (2010)
- Caričin Grad Iustiniana Prima, archaeological site (2010)
- Historical place of Bač and its Surroundings (2010)
- Djerdap National Park (2002)
- The Deliblato Sands Special Natural Reserve (2002)
- Mt. Sara National Park (2002)
- The Tara National Park with the Drina River Canyon (2002)
- The Djavolja Varos (Devil's Town) Natural Landmark (2002)

17. Intangible Heritage Lists: 1

• Slava, celebration of family saint patron's day (May 2013)

18. Creative Cities Network: no appointments

19. Memory of the World Register: 3 inscriptions

- Telegram of Austria-Hungary's declaration of war on Serbia on 28th July 1914 (2015)
- Miroslav Gospel Manuscript from 1180 (2005)
- Nikola Tesla's Archive (2003)

20. Legal instruments: 25 ratified and 15 non-ratified

- Convention on the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: <u>ratified</u> (30 June 2010)
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (2 July 2009)
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: <u>ratified</u> (19 June 2009)
- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: <u>non-ratified</u>. Position: favourable.

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

22. Participation Programme:

- 2014-2015: 2 projects apprroved for a total amount of US \$40,600 and 1 Emergency Assistance, «Aide d'urgence pour les travaux de réhabilitation du Musée du patrimoine de Paracin et du Musée national d'Arandjelovac» approved for US\$ 50,000
- 2012-2013: 3 projects approved for a total amount of US\$ 77,100
- 2010-2011: 2 projects approved for a total amount of US\$ 46,100 ("Biodiversity Matters: Raising Awareness by Educational Tools in National Park Tara" and "Ecological Footprint: Analysis and Training") and emergency assistance following the earthquake for a total amount of US\$ 49,475.
- 23. Fellowships: 10 fellowships awarded since 2006 for a total amount of US\$ 242,734.

24. Payment of contributions assessed membership fees for 2016: fully paid

- Assessment rate for 2016: 0.032%
- Contributions assessed for 2016: US\$ 104,480
- 25. Invoicing of the Permanent Delegation: €13,534 unpaid due as of 30 September 2015
- **26.** Voluntary contributions (expressed in US\$):

Year	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total	-	3,558	4,587	1,208	1,208	663

27. Representation within the Secretariat: under-represented

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

28. National Government Officials:

- **Head of state:** H.E. Mr Tomislav Nikolić (since May 2012)
- **Head of government:** Mr Aleksandar Vučić (since April 2014)
- First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of foreign Affairs: Mr Ivica Dačic (since April 2014)
- Minister of Education, Science, and Technological Development: Mr Srdjan Verbic (since April 2014)
- Minister of Culture and the Media: Mr Ivan Tasovac