

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON GERMANY / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 11 July 1951.
  - The Federal Republic of Germany (FRG) became a UNESCO member on 11 July 1951. The German Democratic Republic (GDR) for its part had joined UNESCO in November 1972. They both joined the UN in September 1973.
  - Following the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 and through the accession of the GDR to the Federal Republic of Germany, with effect from 3 October 1990, the two German States united to form one sovereign State. As from the above date of reunification, the FRG acts in the UN and UNESCO under the designation “Germany”.
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** yes (term expires in 2017); Chairperson: H.E. Mr Michael Worbs, elected during the 198<sup>th</sup> session of the Executive Board (term expires in 2017)
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**
  - International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and Biosphere (term expires in 2017)
  - Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (term expires in 2019); Vice-Chairperson: Mr Johannes Cullmann
  - Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (term expires in 2017)
  - Legal Committee (term expires in 2017)
  - Conciliation and Good Offices Commission Responsible for Seeking the Settlement of any Disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education (term expires in 2019)
  - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
  - Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (term expires in 2019)
  - Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (term expires in 2017)
  - International Bioethics Committee of UNESCO (term expires 2017)
4. **The Director-General’s visits to Germany:** 10
  - 2 June 2016 (Berlin): official opening of the “International expert meeting on the preservation of cultural heritage in Syria”
  - 14 March 2016 (Berlin): third edition of the International Parliamentary Conference on Combating Antisemitism
  - 28-30 June 2015 (Bonn): opening ceremony of the 39<sup>th</sup> session of the World Heritage Committee
  - 5 March 2014 (Berlin): International Tourism Bourse, where UNESCO, UNWTO and UNODC jointly launched an international campaign “Travel, Don’t Traffic”
  - 29-31 January 2014 (Berlin): first meeting of the Scientific Advisory Board
  - 28-29 May 2013 (Berlin): conference MINEPS V
  - 10 October 2012: celebration of the inscription of “The Construction and Fall of the Berlin Wall and the Two-Plus-Four-Treaty of 1990” to the Memory of the World Register
  - 24 May 2012 (Hamburg): UIL’s 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration
  - 22-28 June 2011 (Berlin and Dresden): 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Germany’s accession to UNESCO and 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the MAB Programme
  - 30 October 2010 (Düsseldorf): Gala of the Foundation for UNESCO for the Education of Children in Need.

**5. The former Director-General's visits to Germany: 6**

- 21-22 February 2007: signature of the Host Agreement and the Administrative Agreement on the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
- 6-7 July 2006 (Stuttgart): "UNESCO World Youth Festival", in the framework of the 2006 FIFA World Cup
- 25 October 2004: opening session of the International Experts Meeting on Technical and Vocational Education and Training "Learning for Work, Citizenship and Sustainability"
- December 2001 (Berlin): COMEST meeting
- July 2000 (Bonn): signature of the Host Agreement for the establishment of the UNESCO-UNEVOC Centre
- March 2000: official visit

**6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**

- H.E. Mr Stefan Krawielicki, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 5 July 2016)
- Staff: Ms Gabriele Scheel, Deputy Permanent Delegate; Mr Winfried Maier, Second Secretary; Mr Jens Streckert, Chargé de Mission; Mrs Claudia Domagala, Attaché
- Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Mr Michael Worbs (September 2012 – June 2016); H.E. Ms Martina Nibbeling-Wrießnig (July 2009 – August 2012); H.E. Mr Günter Overfeld (January 2007 – July 2009); H.E. Mr Hans-Heinrich Wrede (September 2002 – January 2007)

**7. German Commission for UNESCO:**

- Date of establishment: 1951
- President: Mrs Verena Metze-Mangold (since November 2014)
- Vice-President: Prof. Dr. Christoph Wulf
- Second Vice-President: Prof. Dr. Hartwig Lüdtke
- Secretary-General: Mr Roland Bernecker (since December 2004)

**8. UNESCO Institutes: 2**

- UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning (UIL) (formerly UNESCO Institute for Education), Hamburg
- UNESCO International Centre for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (UNEVOC), Bonn

**9. German personalities linked to UNESCO activities:**

- Ms Ute-Henriette Ohoven, UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador for the Education of Children in Need (1994)
- Mr Michael Schumacher, UNESCO Champion for Sports (2002)
- Brenz Band (German folk orchestra of handicapped musicians), UNESCO Artist for Peace (2005)
- Prof. Jörg Hinrich Hacker (President of the German National Academy of Sciences), member of the United Nations Secretary-General's Scientific Advisory Board
- Mr Hartwig Lüdtke, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
- Mr Günter Blobel, participant in the second meeting of the High Panel on Peace and Dialogue among Cultures (11 March 2011, New York)
- Dr Margarete van Ess, Member of the International Coordination Committee for the Safeguarding of the Cultural Heritage of Iraq
- Prof. Dr Wolfram Mauser, Member of UNESCO's High Panel on Science and Technology for Development

## 10. UNESCO Chairs: 12

- UNESCO Chair on Transcultural Music Studies (2016), University of Music Franz Liszt Weimar
- UNESCO Chair on World Heritage and Biosphere Reserve Observation and Education (2016), Heidelberg University of Education
- UNESCO Chair on Freedom of Communication and Information (2013), University of Hamburg and the Hans Bredow Institute for Media Research
- UNESCO Chair in World Cultural and Urban Landscapes (2012), The Rheinisch-Westfälische Technische Hochschule Aachen
- UNESCO Chair in Cultural Policy for the Arts in Development (2012), University of Hildesheim
- UNESCO Chair in Hydrological Change and Water Resources Management (2010), RWTH Aachen University
- UNESCO Chair in Arts and Culture in Education (2010), Friedrich Alexander Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg
- UNESCO Chair in Entrepreneurship and Intercultural Management (2010), Bergische Universität Wuppertal
- UNESCO Chair in International Relations (2009), Technical University of Dresden
- UNESCO Chair in Higher Education for Sustainable Development (2005), University of Lueneburg
- UNESCO Chair in Heritage Studies (2003), Brandenburg Technical University, Cottbus
- UNESCO Chair in Marine Geology and Coastal Management (1997), Christian Albrechts University of Kiel

11. **Associated Schools:** 205 (1 pre-primary, 21 primary, 19 primary/secondary, 138 secondary, 3 teacher training institutions, 14 vocational and technical institutions). Germany is one of the founding Member States of the ASP Network in 1953. Many German ASPnet schools are engaged in Education for Sustainable Development activities.

## 12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 1

- International Centre on Water Resources and Global Change (established in 2009)

## 13. UNESCO Clubs: 8

## 14. Biosphere Reserves: 15

- Swabian Alb (2009)
- Biosphäre Bliesgau (2009)
- Schaalsee (2000)
- Pfälzerwald / Vosges du Nord (transboundary with France) (1998)
- Flusslandschaft Elbe (1979, extension in 1997)
- Oberlausitzer Heide- und Teichlandschaft (1996)
- Waddensea of Hamburg (1992)
- Waddensea of Lower Saxony (1992)
- Spreewald (1991)
- Rügen (1991)
- Rhön (1991)
- Berchtesgaden Alps (1990)
- Wadden Sea and Hallig Islands of Schleswig-Holstein (1990, extended in 2004)
- Schorfheide-Chorin (1990)
- Vessertal-Thüringen Forest (1979, extension in 1986/1990)

## 15. UNESCO Global Geoparks: 6

- Vulkaneifel Global Geopark
- TERRA.vita Global Geopark
- Bergstrasse-Odenwald Global Geopark
- Swabian Alb Global Geopark
- Global Geopark Harz Braunschweiger Land Ostfalen
- Muskau Arch Transnational Global Geopark (transboundary with Poland)

**16. World Heritage Sites: 41 (38 cultural and 3 natural)**

*Cultural:*

- The Architectural Work of Le Corbusier, an Outstanding Contribution to the Modern Movement (2016), (jointly with Argentina, Belgium, France, India, Japan and Switzerland)
- Speicherstadt and Kontorhaus District with Chilehaus (2015)
- Carolingian Westwork and Civitas Corvey (2014)
- Bergpark Wilhelmshöhe (2013)
- Margravia Opera House Bayreuth (2012)
- Prehistoric Pile Dwellings around the Alps (2011)
- Fagus Factory in Alfeld (2011)
- Berlin Modernism Housing Estates (2008)
- Old town of Regensburg with Stadtamhof (2006)
- The Town Hall and Roland on the Marketplace of Bremen (2004)
- Muskauer Park / Park Muzakowski (2004), (transboundary with Poland)
- Upper Middle Rhine Valley (2002)
- Historic Centres of Stralsund and Wismar (2002)
- Zollverein Coal Mine Industrial Complex (2001)
- The Garden Kingdom of Dessau-Wörlitz (2000)
- Monastic Island of Reichenau in Essen (2000)
- Museumsinsel (Museum Island) (1999)
- Wartburg Castle (1999)
- Classical Weimar (1998)
- Luther Memorials in Eisleben and Wittenberg (1996)
- Cologne Cathedral (1996)
- Bauhaus and its sites in Weimar and Dessau (1996)
- Völklingen Ironworks (1994)
- Collegiate Church, Castle and Old Town of Quedlinburg (1994)
- Town of Bamberg (1993)
- Maulbronn Monastery Complex (1993)
- Mines of Rammelsberg and the Historic Town of Goslar and Upper Harz Water Management System (1992)
- Abbey and Altenmünster of Lorsch (1991)
- Palaces and Parks of Potsdam and Berlin (1990, extension in 1992 and 1999)
- Hanseatic City of Lübeck (1987)
- Frontiers of the Roman Empire (1987, extension in 2005 and 2008), (transboundary with the United Kingdom)
- Roman Monuments, Cathedral and Church of Our Lady in Trier (1986)
- St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Michael's Church at Hildesheim (1985)
- Castles of Augustusburg and Falkenlust at Brühl (1984)
- Pilgrimage Church of Wies (1983)
- Speyer Cathedral (1981)
- Würzburg Residence with the Court Gardens and Residence Square (1981)
- Aachen Cathedral (1978)

*Natural:*

- The Wadden Sea (2009), (transboundary with the Netherlands)
- Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and the Ancient Beech Forests of Germany (2007, extension in 2011), (jointly with Slovakia and Ukraine)
- Messel Pit Fossil Site (1995)

**17. Tentative List: 18 properties**

- The Jewish Cemetery of Altona Königstraße. Sephardic Sepulchral Culture of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> century between Europe and the Caribbean (2015)
- Alpine and pre-alpine meadow and marsh landscapes (historic anthropogenic landscapes in the area of "Werdenfelser Land", "Ammergau", "Staffelseegebiet" and "Murnauer Moos", district Garmisch-Partenkirchen) (2015)
- ShUM cities of Speyer, Worms and Mainz (2015)
- Residence Ensemble Schwerin – Cultural Landscape of Romantic Historicism (2015)
- The Bauhaus and associated sites in Weimar, Dessau and Bernau (2015)
- Darmstadt Artists' Colony Mathildenhöhe (2015)

- Old Synagogue and Mikveh in Erfurt – Testimonies of everyday life, religion and town history between change and continuity (2015)
- Dreams in Stone – the palaces of King Ludwig II of Bavaria: Neuschwanstein, Linderhof and Herrenchiemsee (2015)
- Hydraulic Engineering and Hydropower, Drinking Water and Decorative Fountains in Augsburg (2015)
- Caves with the oldest Ice Age art (2015)
- Luther memorials in Saxony-Anhalt, Saxony, Bavaria and Thuringia (2015)
- Frontiers of the Roman Empire (2015)
- Great Spas of Europe (2014)
- Mining Cultural Landscape Erzgebirge/Krušnohoří (2012)
- Viking Monuments and Sites / Danevirke and Hedeby (2011)
- L'œuvre architecturale et urbaine de Le Corbusier – deux maisons du Weissenhof-Siedlung à Stuttgart (2007)
- The Naumburg Cathedral and the landscape of the rivers Saale and Unstrut an important dominion in the High Middle Ages (1999)
- Francke Foundation Buildings (1999)

**18. Intangible Heritage Lists:** 2 inscriptions on the Representative List

- Idea and practice of organizing shared interests in cooperative (2016)
- Falconry, a living human tradition (2016) jointly with Austria, Belgium, Czechia, France, Hungary, Italy, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Morocco, Pakistan, Portugal, Qatar, the Republic of Korea Saudi Arabia, Spain, the Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates (2016)

**19. Memory of the World Register:** 21 inscriptions

- Documents representing the beginning and the early development of the Reformation initiated by Martin Luther (2015)
- Autograph of h-Moll-Messe (Mass in B minor) by Johann Sebastian Bach (2015)
- The Golden Letter of the Burmese King Alaungphaya to King George II of Great Britain (2015), jointly with the United Kingdom and Myanmar
- Al-Masaalik Wa Al-Mamaalik (2015), jointly with the Islamic Republic of Iran
- Lorsch Pharmacopoeia (The Bamberg State Library, Msc.Med.1) (2013)
- Manifest der Kommunistischen Partei, draft manuscript page and Das Kapital. Erster Band, Karl Marx's personal annotated copy (2013)
- Nebra Sky Disc (2013)
- The "Golden Bull" – All seven originals and the "King Wenceslaus' luxury manuscript copy" of the Österreichische Nationalbibliothek (2013)
- Benz Patent of 1886 (2011)
- Construction and Fall of the Berlin Wall and the Two-Plus-Four-Treaty of 1990 (2011)
- "Song of the Nibelungs", a heroic poem from mediaeval Europe (2009)
- "Collection of Manuscript Papers of Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz", famous German philosopher, scientist, mathematician, diplomat, librarian and legislator (2007)
- Kinder- und Hausmärchen (Children's and Household Tales) (2005)
- Universalis cosmographia secundum Ptholomaie traditionem et Americi Vespucii aliorumque Lustrationes (2005)
- The Bibliotheca Corviniana Collection (2005)
- Illuminated manuscripts from the Ottonian period produced in the monastery of Reichenau (Lake Constance) (2003)
- "Metropolis" - Sicherungsstück Nr. 1: Negative of the restored and reconstructed version (Film) (2001)
- Ludwig van Beethoven - Symphony n°9, d-minor, op.125 (2001)
- The literary estate of Goethe in the Goethe and Schiller Archives (2001)
- 42-line Gutenberg Bible, printed on vellum, and its contemporary documentary background (2001)
- Early cylinder recordings of the world's musical traditions (1893-1952) in the Berlin Phonogramm-Archiv (1999)

**20. Creative Cities Network:** 4 cities

- Heidelberg, UNESCO City of Literature (2014)
- Mannheim, UNESCO City of Music (2014)
- Hannover, UNESCO City of Music (2014)
- Berlin, UNESCO City of Design (2005)

**21. Legal instruments:** 29 ratified and 11 non-ratified

- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (12/03/2007)
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratified (31/05/2007)
- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: accepted (10/04/2013)
- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified

**22. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated**

**2016-2017: 2**

- 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Käthe Kollwitz, painter, printmaker and sculptor (1867-1945), with the support of Belgium and Poland
- 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz, mathematician and philosopher (1646-1716), with the support of Poland and Switzerland

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- 250th anniversary of the birth of Alexander von Humboldt, geographer, *naturalist and explorer* (1769 - 1859) (with the support of Hungary and Switzerland)

*Nota bene: The "150th anniversary of the death of Alexander von Humboldt, scientist (1769 - 1859)" has been celebrated in 1999.*

- 200th anniversary of the birth of Clara Josephine Schumann, musician and composer (1819 - 1896) (with the support of Austria and Luxembourg)

**23. Participation Programme:** no requests presented since 2008

**24. Fellowships:** since 2010, 1 fellowship awarded for a total amount of US\$ 20,000.

**25. NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO:**

*NGOs with Associate status:*

- International Council Of Sport Science And Physical Education (ICSSPE) (1972)

*NGOs with Consultative status:*

- International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE) (2007)
- International Cultural Youth Exchange (ICYE Federation) (1980)
- Association For International Sport For All (TAFISA) (2011)

**26. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2016-2017:** fully paid

Assessment rate for 2016-2017: 6.389%

Contributions assessed for 2016-2017: US\$ 41,720,170

**27. Voluntary contributions** (expressed in US\$):

Year	2016	2015	2014	2013
Total	3,173,088	4,473,013	3,320,265	3,660,118

  

Year	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total	3,250,074	3,959,456	2,684,887	4,980,664

- 28. Representation within the Secretariat:** normally represented, with 20 professional staff (min. 15, max. 24)
- *16 professional staff at Headquarters in geographical posts*
  - *4 professional staff in the field in geographical posts*