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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 (from the 39<sup>th</sup> session until the 40<sup>th</sup> session)
- Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) (term expires in 2019)
- International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere (term expires in 2017)
- Subsidiary Committee of the Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property (UNESCO, Paris, 1970) (term expires in 2021)
- Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission

#### 4. Your 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: Mrs Inger Davidsson (since January 2011)
- Vice chairperson: Mr Tomas Kjellqvist (since January 2011)
- Secretary-General: Mr Mats Djurberg (since June 2010)
- Deputy Secretary-General: Mr Per Magnusson (since September 2016)

# 8. Swedish personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:

- Mr Dawit Isaak, an imprisoned Eritrean-Swedish journalist, was awarded the 2017 UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize
- Mr Lennart Nordström, Member and former 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

 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 (2014), University of Gothenburg
- UNESCO Chair in Research Management and Innovation Systems (2010), Lund University
- UNESCO Chair in Global Development and Inclusive Education (2010), Karlstad University
- UNESCO Chair in Early Childhood Education and Sustainable Development (2007), Göteborg University
- UNESCO Chair in Education for Sustainable Development (2006), Chalmers University of Technology, Göteborg
- UNESCO Chair in Education for Sustainable Development (2006), Lund University
- **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 37<sup>th</sup> 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), jointly with Belarus, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation and Ukraine
- 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), jointly with Finland

### Mixed:

• Laponian Area (1996)

- **15. Tentative List:** 1 property
  - The Rise of Systematic Biology (2009)
- 16. Intangible Heritage Lists: no elements
- 17. Global Geoparks: none
- 18. 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)
- 19. Creative Cities Network: 1
  - Östersund, UNESCO City of Gastronomy (2010)
- 20. European Coalition of Cities against Racism: 12 cities
  - Botkyrka
- Salem
- Eskilstuna
- Södertälie
- Helsingborg
- Stockholm
- Kalmar
- Trelleborg
- Lund
- Uppsala
- Malmö
- Växjö
- 21. Legal instruments: 26 ratified and 14 non-ratified
  - Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified
  - International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratified (9 November 2005)
  - Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (18 December 2006)
  - Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: <u>ratified</u> (26 January 2011)
- 22. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2016-2017: none

# 23. Participation Programme:

- No request presented since 2011
- 2010-2011: 1 project submitted and approved for US\$ 26,000 "XVII World Congress of Sociology"
- 24. NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO: 1

NGOs with consultative status:

- Swedish Association for Sexuality Education (RFSU) 2017
- 25. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2016-2017: fully paid
  - Assessment rate for 2016-2017: 0.956%
  - Contributions assessed for 2016-2017: US\$ 6,242,680
- **26.** Voluntary contributions (expressed in US\$):

Year	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010
Total	22,370,991	25,287,833	25,941,042	20,400,045	14,943,553	5,162,253	4,654,779

- **27. Representation within the Secretariat:** under-represented, with 2 professional staff (min. 4, max. 7)
  - 2 professional staff at Headquarters in geographical posts