

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON FINLAND / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 10 October 1956
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** yes, for the period 2017-2021
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.**
  - Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport (term expires in 2021)
  - Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication (term expires in 2019)
  - Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (term expires in 2019)
  - Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions (term expires in 2021)
  - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
  - Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
  - Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Information Technologies in Education
4. **The Director-General's visits to Finland:** none
5. **The former Director-General's visits to Finland:** 3
  - 2-4 May 2016: visit on the occasion of World Press Freedom Day
  - 12-13 June 2014: official visit
  - 19-20 January 2012: official visit
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
  - Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Pekka Puustinen (since 1 September 2016)
  - Staff: Ms Piia Immonen-Seuguenot, Counsellor, Deputy Permanent Delegate; Mr Aleksi Kalenius, Counsellor; Ms Zabrina Holmström, Counsellor
  - Previous Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Okko Pekka Salmimies (September 2013 – July 2016)
7. **UNESCO Office:** none
8. **Finnish National Commission for UNESCO:**
  - Date of establishment: 8 February 1957
  - Chairperson: Ms Jutta Urpilainen (since January 2015)
  - Vice-Chairperson: Mr Jussi Nuorteva
  - Secretary-General: Ms Zabrina Holmström
9. **Finnish personalities linked to UNESCO activities:**
  - Prof. Tapio Varis, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Information Technologies in Education
  - Ms Eeva-Inkeri Sirelius, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
10. **UNESCO Chairs:** 4
  - UNESCO Chair in Learning Society and Futures of Education, University of Turku (2016)
  - UNESCO Chair on Inclusive Literacy Learning for all, University of Jyväskylä/Agora Center (2015)
  - UNESCO Chair in Sustainable Water Services, established at the Tampere University of Technology (2012)
  - UNESCO Chair in Global E-Learning with Applications to Multiple Domains, established at the University of Tampere (2002)

11. **Associated Schools:** 107 (3 pre-primary to primary schools, 2 pre-primary to secondary, 16 primary, 9 primary and secondary, 49 secondary schools, as well as 12 teacher training and 16 vocational and technical institutions). Finland has participated actively in the ASP Network since 1960.
12. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none
13. **UNESCO Clubs:** none
14. **Biosphere Reserves:** 2
  - Archipelago Sea Area (1994)
  - North Karelian (1992)
15. **UNESCO Global Geoparks:** 1
  - Rokua Global Geopark (2015)
16. **World Heritage Sites:** 7 (6 cultural and 1 natural)
 

*Cultural:*

  - Struve Geodetic Arc (2005)
  - Bronze Age Burial Site of Sammallahdenmäki (1999)
  - Verla Groundwood and Board Mill (1996)
  - Petäjävesi Old Church (1994)
  - Fortress of Suomenlinna (1991)
  - Old Rauma (1991)

*Natural:*

  - Kvarken Archipelago / High Coast (Finland/ Sweden) (2006)
17. **Tentative List:** 6 properties
  - Saimaa-Pielinen Lake System (2004)
  - Paimio Hospital (formerly Paimio Sanatorium) (2004)
  - The Holy place of worship of Ukonsaari by the Sami people at Inari (1990)
  - The Rock paintings of Astuvansalmi at Ristiina (1990)
  - The large Stone Age ruin of Kastelli at Pattijoki (1990)
  - The Carvings from historic time at the island of Gaddtarmen (Hauensuoli) (1990)
18. **Intangible Heritage Lists:** no elements
19. **Memory of the World Register:** 3 inscriptions
  - Archive of the Skolt Sámi village of Suonjel Suenjel (2015)
  - Radzwill's Archives and Niasvizh (Nieśwież) Library Collection (2009) - submitted by Belarus in cooperation with Finland, Lithuania, Poland, Russian Federation and Ukraine
  - A.E. Nordenskiöld Collection (1997)
20. **Creative Cities Network:** 1
  - Helsinki, UNESCO City of Design (2014)
21. **Legal instruments:** 25 ratified and 15 non-ratified
  - Convention on the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: acceptance (21 February 2013)
  - International Convention against Doping in Sport: acceptance (22 December 2006)
  - Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: acceptance (18 December 2006)

- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified

**22. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2018-2019:** none

**23. Participation Programme:** no requests presented since 2006

**24. Fellowships:** no requests presented

**25. NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO: 2**

- International Association of Universities and Colleges of art, Design and Media (CUMULUS)
- World Federation of the Deaf (WFD)

**26. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2018:** partly paid

- Assessment rate for 2018: 0.456%;
- Contributions assessed for 2016-2017: US\$ 1,488,840
- Total unpaid due: US\$ 784,222

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

Year	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total	3,738,021	3,658,768	4,774,415	3,456,710	2,542,793	2,426,142	1,814,488	3,886,978

**28. Representation within the Secretariat:** normally represented

- 4 professional staff in geographical posts (min. 3, max. 5):