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UNESCO PRESS

Media calendar

May 2018

Calendar of events taking place at UNESCO Headquarters, in Field Offices and with other partner organizations.

Journalists are requested to ask for accreditation prior to events at Headquarters:

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Highlight

2-3 May, Accra, Ghana

World Press Freedom Day

This year's global theme 'Keeping Power in Check: Media, Justice and The Rule of Law', will cover issues of media and the transparency of the political process, the independence and media literacy of the judicial system, and the accountability of state institutions towards the public. The Day will also examine contemporary challenges of ensuring press freedom online.

[More information about the event](#)

HEADQUARTER

HUMAN AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

15 May

Award ceremony of the 15th Edition of the UNESCO-Sharjah Prize for Arab Culture

The Director-General of UNESCO, Audrey Azoulay, will award the 15th edition of the Prize to Lebanese cultural organizer and curator, Christine Tohme, and the Argentinean nongovernmental Asociación Civil del Creciente Cine Fértil para la Promoción de la Diversidad Cultural.

[More information about the laureates and the Prize](#)

NATURAL SCIENCES

16 May

International Day of Light

Panels and artistic performances will be organized throughout the day with the participation of eminent personalities to celebrate this first edition.

[More information](#)

[Check the programme](#)

SOCIAL AND HUMAN SCIENCES

22 May

Launch of “Addressing anti-Semitism through education: guidelines for policy makers” [TO BE CONFIRMED]

UNESCO will present a guide for educational communities to fight antisemitism.
(Please contact the Press service for more information)

CULTURE

22 May

Towards Access to Culture for All

UNESCO will bring together a panel of UN representatives, museum directors, artists, tech leaders, and experts to answer a simple question: How can we ensure that everyone has the right to access culture?

This discussion will aim to offer a way forward in light of the situation facing culture today – one where growing access to culture sits alongside increasing threats to cultural diversity. The event will mark both the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development and the 70th anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights

[More information](#)

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

28-30 May

World Congress on Justice for Children

The 2018 World Congress on Justice for Children aims to bring together professionals and stakeholders from all around the world to share their perspectives on youth and family justice, as well as the prevention of offending and violent extremism. The congress will address major issues such as global trend towards children’s involvement in violent extremism and possible responses; the need for more effective ways to reduce juvenile offending and recidivism; and how to improve protection mechanisms for vulnerable children, including early prevention.

[See the programme](#)

UNESCO AROUND THE WORLD

SOCIAL AND HUMAN SCIENCES

23 May, Brussels, Belgium

Promoting Youth in Peacebuilding -- European Union Conference on Youth, Peace and Security

The overarching goals of the European Union (EU) Conference on Youth, Peace and Security are to further reinforce momentum in the EU implementation of the Youth, Peace and Security agenda, foster EU policy on Youth, Peace and Security, promote EU-United Nations cooperation on youth in peacebuilding, while enhancing the visibility of the Youth, Peace and Security agenda.

[More information](#)

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

31 May, The Hague, Netherland

The Hague Summit for Accountability & Internet Democracy "Shaping an Internet of Values"

The Summit will be focused on safeguarding the role of the internet as a tool of personal and social engagement. The Summit is targeting concrete steps to increase access to knowledge, transparency, global common understanding ect. and thus to promote maximum sustainable net benefit for people and societies worldwide.

[More information](#)

And also...

CULTURE

5 May

African World Heritage Day

[See the celebration agenda](#)

NATURAL SCIENCES

22 May

International Day for Biological Diversity

[More information about the day](#)

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