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Media calendar

April

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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HIGHLIGHTS

4-17 April

204th Session of the Executive Board

Elected by the General Conference, the Executive Board meets twice a year. Composed of 58 Member States, it analyses the program of the Organization and its budget. He also ensures the execution of the program by the Director-General.

New sites joining the Global Geoparks Network will also be named during this session (17 April.)

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THE UNESCO COURIER

16 April

Welcome to the Anthropocene!

In the last half-century, the state of the planet has deteriorated more rapidly and more dramatically than ever before. There are gigantic amounts of plastic on beaches and in the seas; an unprecedented development of new substances that are covering the Earth's surface and which are rarely recycled; soils that are overflowing with fertilizers; increasing acidity of the oceans; unprecedented levels of pollution; the erosion of tropical forests; the disruption of ecosystems; the massive extinction of species and a drastic loss of biodiversity, and global warming at an alarming rate – the list goes on. Who is to blame for all this? "Humans!" is the resounding reply of most scientists. It remains to be determined. Meanwhile, the debate rages on, the solutions are slow to come. The Courier takes stock of the situation.

[Read the latest issue.](#)

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HEADQUARTERS

EDUCATION

11-13 April

Education 2030: what role for Education Management and Information Systems?

The objective of the joint UNESCO-Global Partnership for Education conference is to share knowledge and best practices on Education Management and Information System (EMIS). The conference will also explore ways to reinforce international cooperation to support developing countries in establishing or strengthening their EMIS.

[More information](#)

CULTURE

23-24 April

"Exchange Day" on the Cultural Heritage and our Oceans

The 2018 "Exchange Day" will focus on the important role that underwater cultural heritage plays in the understanding, promotion and protection of Oceans within the United Nations Decade for Ocean Sciences. The meeting will be followed by the 9th Meeting of the Scientific and Technical Advisory body (STAB) of the 2001 Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage.

[More information](#)

PUBLIC INFORMATION

23 April

World Book and Copyright Day 2018

The 2018 edition will commemorate the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Many activities (workshops, conferences, exhibitions, etc.) will be organized at the Headquarters to raise awareness about publishing sectors as well as the articles of the Declaration. On 23 April, Athens will also become the World Book Capital for a year.

[More information](#)

UNESCO AROUND THE WORLD

CULTURE

25-27 April, China

Second edition of UNESCO High Level Forum on Museums

The High Level Forum is intended to be a laboratory of ideas to generate innovative approaches and develop strategic policies, that will strengthen the role of museums as engines of dialogue and intercultural understanding and sustainable development. The two major axes will focus on the themes of innovation and inclusion.

[More information](#)

CULTURE

30 April, Saint Petersburg, Russia

International Jazz Day

St. Petersburg will host this year's celebrations for the International Jazz Day. Around the world master classes, round tables, workshops and concerts will be organized to celebrate the Jazz music.

[See all events](#)

AND ALSO...

SOCIAL AND HUMAN SCIENCES

6 April

International Day of Sport for Development and Peace

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