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KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON SLOVENIA / UNESCO COOPERATION

- 1. Membership in UNESCO: since 27 May 1992
- 2. Membership on the Executive Board: yes (term expires in 2019)
- 3. Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:
 - Council of the UNESCO International Bureau of Education (term expires in 2021)
 - Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme (term expires in 2021)
 - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
- 4. The Director-General's visits to Slovenia: none

5. The former Director-General's visits to Slovenia: 1

 7-9 April 2013 (Brdo pri Kranju): official visit on the occasion of the Ministerial Meeting within the framework of the Slovene Presidency of the Council of Ministers of Culture of South-East Europe.

6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:

- Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Andrej Slapničar, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since 2 October 2015)
- Staff: Ms Veronika Boskovic Pohar, Deputy Permanent Delegate; Mrs Liza Japelj Carone, Responsible for Culture; Mrs Ana Strnad, Second Secretary
- Previous Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mrs Veronika Stabej (December 2010 August 2015)
- **7. UNESCO Office:** none. Slovenia is covered by the UNESCO Office in Venice UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe (BRESCE).

8. Slovenian National Commission for UNESCO:

- Date of establishment: 1992
- Chairperson: Prof. Dr. Radovan Stanislav Pejovnik (since May 2011)
- Secretary-General: Ms Marjutka Hafner (since November 2006)
- Deputy Secretary-General: Mr Gasper Hrastelj (since March 2008)

9. Slovenian personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:

• Mr Marko Pogacnik, UNESCO Artist for Peace, 2016

10. UNESCO Chairs: 3

- UNESCO Chair on water-related disaster risk reduction (2016), University of Ljubljana
- UNESCO Chair on Karst Education (2014), University of Nova Gorica
- UNESCO Chair on Open Technologies for Open Educational Resources and Open Learning (2014), The Jožef Stefan Institute, Ljubljana
- **11. Associated Schools:** 82 (5 pre-primary, 51 primary, 1 primary/secondary, 25 secondary). Slovenia joined the ASP Network in 1993.

12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 1

• IZUM-Regional Centre for Library Information Systems and Current Research Information Systems, Maribor (agreement signed on 18 September 2012).

13. UNESCO Clubs: 3

- UNESCO Club Piran
- UNESCO Club Cerklje

• UNESCO Club Slovenj Gradec

14. Biosphere Reserves: 3

- Kozjansko & Obsotelje (2010)
- The Karst (2004)
- Julian Alps (2003)

15. UNESCO Global Geoparks Network: 2

- Idrija Global Geopark (2015)
- Karawanken/Karavanke Transnational Global Geopark (transboundary with Austria) (2015)

16. World Heritage Sites: 4 properties (2 cultural, 2 natural)

- Cultural > Heritage of Mercury. Almadén and Idrija, jointly with Spain (2012)
 - > Prehistoric Pile dwellings around the Alps (2011)
- Natural > Skocjan Caves (1986)
 - ➤ Ancient and Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and Other Regions of Europe (2007, 2011, 2017), transboundary with Albania, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Italy, Romania, Slovakia, Spain and Ukraine.

17. Tentative List: 5 properties

- The Walk of Peace from the Alps to the Adriatic Heritage of the First World War (2016)
- Classical Karst (in Slovene language: Klasicni kras) (2015)
- The timeless, humanistic architecture of Jože Plečnik in Ljubljana and Prague (2015)
- Franja Partisan Hospital (2000)
- Fuzina Hills in Bohinj (1994)

18. Intangible Heritage Lists: 2 elements on the Representative List

- Door-to-door rounds of Kurenti (2017)
- Škofja Loka passion play (2016)

19. Memory of the World Register: 1 inscription

Codex Suprasliensis – Mineia četia, Mart (The Supraśl Codex – Menology, March) –
jointly with Poland and the Russian Federation (2007)

20. Creative Cities Network: 1 city

• Ljubljana, a UNESCO Creative City of Literature (2015)

21. Conventions, ratifications: 29 ratified and 11 non-ratified

- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: <u>ratified</u> (18 September 2008)
- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: <u>ratified</u> (18 September 2008)
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (18 December 2006)
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: accession (18 September 2008)

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

23. Participation Programme:

- Since 2014: no request submitted
- 2012-2013: 1 project approved (US\$ 30,000)
- 2010-2011: 1 regional request approved for a total amount of US\$ 35,000 ("First South-East Europe World Heritage Youth Forum")

- 2008-2009: 1 project approved for a total amount of US\$ 20,000
- 2006-2007: 2 projects approved for a total amount of US\$ 50,000 (for the benefit of African countries)
- 24. Fellowships: 3 fellowships awarded since 2008, for a total amount of US\$ 40,831
- 25. NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO: 1
 - International Council For Traditional Music (ICTM)
- 26. Payment of contributions assessed membership fees for 2018 : fully paid
 - Assessment rate for 2016-2017: 0.084% (percentage for the 2016-2017 period)
 - Contributions assessed for 2016-2017: US\$ 274,260
- **27. Voluntary contributions** (equivalent in US\$):

Year	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Total	2,743	3,268	3,660	10,002	13,542	13,781	3,363	12,544

- **28.** Representation within the Secretariat: under-represented with 1 professional staff (min. 2, max. 4)
 - 1 professional staff at Headquarters in geographical posts