

<b>KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON TURKMENISTAN / UNESCO COOPERATION</b>
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1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 17 August 1993
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** Member (term expires in 2017)
3. **Membership of Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:** none
4. **Your visit to Turkmenistan:** 1  
15-17 May 2014: official visit
5. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
  - H.E Mr Tchary Niiazov, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since 9 August 2007)
  - Staff: Mr Ahmetyar Kulov, First Secretary; Mr Kakageldi Chasov, Attaché
6. **UNESCO Office:** none. Turkmenistan is covered by the UNESCO Cluster Office in Teheran.  
**Director of Cluster Office in Teheran:** Ms Esther Kuisch-Laroche (Since July 2014)
7. **National Commission of Turkmenistan for UNESCO:**
  - Date of establishment: 1994
  - President: Mr Sapardurdy Toylyev (since December 2011)
  - Secretary-General: Mr Poladov Kouvandyk (since February 1997)
8. **Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:** none
9. **UNESCO Chairs:** none
10. **Associated Schools:** 1 (vocational/technical, ED). Turkmenistan joined the ASP Network in 1985.
11. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none
12. **Biosphere Reserve:** 1
  - Repetek (1978)
13. **World Heritage Sites:** 3  
*Cultural sites*
  - Parthian Fortresses of Nisa (2007)
  - Kunya-Urgench (2005)
  - State Historical and Cultural Park "Ancient Merv" (1999)
14. **Tentative List:** 8 properties
  - Silk Roads Sites in Turkmenistan (2010)
  - Badhyz State Nature Reserve (2009)
  - Syunt Hasardag State Nature Reserve (2009)
  - Dinosaurs and Caves of Koytendag (2009)
  - Repetek Biosphere State Reserve (2009)
  - Amudarya State Nature Reserve (2009)
  - Hazar State Nature Reserve (2009)
  - Dehistan / Mishrian (1998)

15. **Intangible Heritage Lists:** no elements
16. **Memory of the World Register:** no inscriptions
17. **Creative Cities Network:** None
18. **Legal instruments:** 7 ratified and 32 non-ratified
19. **Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2014-2015:** none
20. **Participation Programme:** no project submitted since 2008-2009
21. **Fellowships:** no fellowships granted to Turkmenistan since 2010
22. **Voluntary contributions to UNESCO** (expressed in US dollars):

<b>Voluntary Contributions to UNESCO Extra-Budgetary Activities and Institutes</b>			
<b>( Expressed in US Dollars )</b>			
<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>Jan-Jun 2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>TURKMENISTAN</b>	1,240	1,240	2,089

23. **Payment of assessed membership fees for 2014-2015:**  
(Assessment rate: 0.019%; contributions assessed: US\$ 124,070)
24. **Representation within the Secretariat:** under-represented  
1 professional staff in geographical post (min.2, max. 4)