

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON MEXICO / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 4 November 1946
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** yes
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions: 5**
  - 2021: International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere
  - 2021: Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Country of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation
  - 2019: Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport
  - 2019: Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee
  - Permanent Membership: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **DG's visits to the country:** None
5. **Former Director-General's visits to the country:** 1 (in 2013)
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO**
  - H.E. Mr Federico Salas Lotfe, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since 23 January 2018)
  - H.E. Mr Juan José Bremer, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (designated)
  - Ms Emma María José Rodríguez Sifuentes, Deputy Permanent Delegate
7. **UNESCO Office: Yes**
  - National Office opened in 1967. Mr Frédéric Vacheron (P-4, France) is currently its Officer-in-Charge, since 5 November 2018.
8. **Mexican Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO (CONALMEX)**
  - Date of Establishment: October 1947
  - President/Chairperson: Mr Esteban Moctezuma Barragán, Minister of Public Education (since December 2018)
  - Secretary-General: Mme María Edith Bernáldez Reyes
9. **Personalities linked to the UNESCO activities: 3**
  - Mr Andrés Isaac Roemer Slomianski, Goodwill Ambassador (since September 2017)
  - Ms Annette SANTOS DEL REAL, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (term expires on 31 December 2021)
  - Ms Sylvia ORTEGA SALAZAR, Member of the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning
10. **UNESCO Chairs: 23**
  - 2017: Chair on Ethics, the Culture of Peace and Human Rights, the Technological Institute of Monterrey
  - 2017: Chair "Afro-descendants in Mexico and Central America: recognition, expressions and cultural diversity", National Institute of Anthropology and History

- 2017: Chair on Open Educational Movement for Latin America, Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education
- 2016: Chair on Climate Change and Sustainable Development in Latin America, The Autonomous University of the State of Morelos
- 2016: Chair on Hydrometeorological Risks, Universidad de las Americas Puebla
- 2014: Chair on Biosphere Reserves and Urban Environment, Instituto de Ecología A.C.
- 2013: Chair in Citizenship, Education and the Environmental Sustainability of Development, Universidad Veracruzana
- 2013: Chair on Youth, University of Guadalajara
- 2012: Chair on Developing a Model for the Defence of Academic Rights in Higher Education, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
- 2012: Chair in Migration, Development and Human Rights, The Universidad Autónoma de Zacatecas
- 2012: “Cecilia Braslavsky” Chair in Teacher Training for Innovation in Education, Universidad Pedagógica Nacional
- 2011: Chair in research on intangible cultural heritage and cultural diversity, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, México
- 2011: Chair in Bioethics, University of Monterrey
- 2008: Chair in Water in the knowledge society, Instituto Mexicano de Tecnología des Agua
- 2007: Chair in Gender, Leadership and Equity, The University of Guadalajara, Jalisco
- 2004: Chair in Quality Assurance of Transnational Higher Education, Centro de Investigación y de Estudios Avanzados del Instituto Politécnico Nacional, México
- 2002: Chaire d'étude des transformations économiques et sociales liées au problème international des drogues, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, México
- 2001: Chair in New Information Technologies, University of Colima, Colima
- 1998: Chaire UNESCO – ITESO de gestion de l'habitat et développement socialement durable, Universidad ITESO, Guadalajara
- 1997: Chaire des droits de l'homme, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de México, México
- 1997: Chaire en sciences de la conservation des biens culturels, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia (INAH), México
- 1996: Chaire de communication, Universidad Iberoamericana, México
- 1995: Chair on Regional Integration and University, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), México

#### **11. Associated Schools Project Network (ASPnet): 296**

- Pre-primary (26); Pre-primary to Secondary (7); Pre-Primary/Primary (2); Primary (103); Primary/Secondary (32); Secondary (98); Teacher Training Institution (8); Vocational and Technical Institution (20)

#### **12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 3**

- 2018: Regional Centre for Water Security (CERSHI) (agreement signed in April 2018; pending into force)
- 2009: Regional World Heritage Institute in Zacatecas (Into force from July 2015) - Approved by the 35th session of the General Conference (October 2009) with the purpose of contributing and supporting the Member States of Latin America and the Caribbean in the implementation of World Heritage policies, especially through training and capacity-building initiatives.
- Regional Centre for Advanced Training and Research in Physics, Mathematics, Energy and Environment (in Tuxtla Gutiérrez)

#### **13. Biosphere Reserves: 42**

- 2016: Isla Cozumel
- 2012: Tehuacán-Cuicatlán

- 2010: Naha-Metzabok
- 2010: Los Volcanes
- 2010: Islas María
- 2009: Lagunas de Montebello
- 2008: Islas Marietas
- 2007: Sierra de Alamos - Río Cuchujaqui
- 2006: Arrecife Alacranes
- 2006: Barranca de Metztilán
- 2006: Chamela-Cuixmala
- 2006: Cuatrociénegas
- 2006: Cumbres de Monterrey
- 2006: Huatulco
- 2006: La Encrucijada
- 2006: La Primavera
- 2006: La Sepultura
- 2006: Laguna Madre y Delta Río Bravo
- 2006: Los Tuxtlas
- 2006: Maderas del Carmen, Coahuila
- 2006: Mariposa Monarca
- 2006: Pantanos de Centla
- 2006: Selva El Ocote
- 2006: Sierra de Huautla
- 2006: Sistema Arrecifal Veracruzano
- 2006: Volcán Tacaná
- 2004: Ría Celestún
- 2004: Ría Lagartos
- 2003: Sierra La Laguna
- 2003: Banco Chinchorro
- 2001: Sierra Gorda
- 1995: Islas del Golfo de California
- 1993: Región de Calakmul (Extended and renamed in 2006)
- 1993: El Triunfo
- 1993: El Vizcaíno
- 1993: Alto Golfo de California y El Pinacate (Extended in 1995)
- 1988: Sierra de Manantlán
- 1986: El Cielo
- 1986: Sian Ka'an
- 1979: Montes Azules
- 1977: La Michilía
- 1977: Mapimí

#### **14. UNESCO Global Geopark Network: 2**

- 2017: Comarca Minera, Hidalgo
- 2017: Mixteca Alta, Oaxaca

#### **15. World Heritage Sites: 35 (27 Cultural, 6 Natural, and 2 Mixed)**

- 2018: Tehuacán-Cuicatlán Valley: original habitat of Mesoamerica (Natural and Cultural)
- 2016: Archipiélago de Revillagigedo (Natural)
- 2015: Aqueduct of Padre Tembleque Hydraulic System (Cultural)
- 2013: El Pinacate and Gran Desierto de Altar Biosphere Reserve (Natural)
- 2010: Camino Real de Tierra Adentro (Cultural)
- 2010: Prehistoric Caves of Yagul and Mitla in the Central Valley of Oaxaca (Cultural)

- 2008: Monarch Butterfly Biosphere Reserve (Natural)
- 2008: Protective town of San Miguel and the Sanctuary of Jesús Nazareno de Atotonilco (Cultural)
- 2007: Central University City Campus of the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM) (Cultural)
- 2006: Agave Landscape and Ancient Industrial Facilities of Tequila (Cultural)
- **2005: Islands and Protected Areas of the Gulf of California (Natural) – on the List of World Heritage Sites in Danger since 2019**
- 2004: Luis Barragán House and Studio (Cultural)
- 2003: Franciscan Missions in the Sierra Gorda of Querétaro (Cultural)
- 2002: Ancient Maya City and Protected Tropical Forests of Calakmul, Campeche (Natural and Cultural)
- 1999: Archaeological Monuments Zone of Xochicalco (Cultural)
- 1999: Historic Fortified Town of Campeche (Cultural)
- 1998: Archaeological Zone of Paquimé, Casas Grandes (Cultural)
- 1998: Historic Monuments Zone of Tlacotalpan (Cultural)
- 1997: Hospicio Cabañas, Guadalajara (Cultural)
- 1996: Historic Monuments Zone of Querétaro (Cultural)
- 1996: Pre-Hispanic Town of Uxmal (Cultural)
- 1994: Earliest 16th-Century Monasteries on the Slopes of Popocatepetl (Cultural)
- 1993: Historic Centre of Zacatecas (Cultural)
- 1993: Rock Paintings of the Sierra de San Francisco (Cultural)
- 1993: Whale Sanctuary of El Vizcaino (Natural)
- 1992: El Tajin, Pre-Hispanic City (Cultural)
- 1991: Historic Centre of Morelia (Cultural)
- 1988: Historic Town of Guanajuato and Adjacent Mines (Cultural)
- 1988: Pre-Hispanic City of Chichen-Itza (Cultural)
- 1987: Historic Centre of Oaxaca and Archaeological Site of Monte Albán (Cultural)
- 1987: Historic Centre of Puebla (Cultural)
- 1987: Pre-Hispanic City and National Park of Palenque (Cultural)
- 1987: Pre-Hispanic City of Teotihuacan (Cultural)
- 1987: Sian Ka'an (Natural)
- 1987: Historic Centre of Mexico City and Xochimilco (Cultural)

## 16. Tentative List: 22

- 2018: Franciscan Ensemble of the Monastery and Cathedral of Our Lady of the Assumption, Tlaxcala (extension of the property Earliest 16th-Century Monasteries on the Slopes of Popocatepetl)
- 2012: Las Labradas, Sinaloa archaeological site
- 2012: Ring of cenotes of Chicxulub Crater, Yucatan
- 2010: El Arco del Tiempo del Río La Venta
- 2009: Las Pozas, Xilitla
- 2008: Historical city of Izamal (Izamal, Mayan continuity in an Historical City)
- 2008: Los Petenes-Ría Celestún
- 2006: Cuetzalan and its Historical, Cultural and Natural Surrounding
- 2004: Aire de protection de la flore et de la faune Cuatrociénegas
- 2004: Historical Town The Royal of the Eleven Thousand Virgins of Cosala in Sinaloa
- 2004: Huichol Route through the sacred sites to Huiricuta (Tatehuari Huajuje)
- 2004: Région Lacan-Tún – Usumacinta
- 2004: Réserve de la Biosphère Banco Chinchorro
- 2004: Tecoaque
- 2004: Vallée des Cierges
- 2001: Chapultepec Woods, Hill and Castle

- 2001: Church of Santa Prisca and its Surroundings
- 2001: Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo's Home-Study Museum
- 2001: Great City of Chicomostoc-La Quemada
- 2001: Historic Town of Alamos
- 2001: Historic Town of San Sebastián del Oeste
- 2001: Pre-Hispanic City of Cantona

## 17. Intangible Cultural Heritage List:

*Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity: 9*

- 2018: La Romería (the pilgrimage): ritual cycle of 'La llevada' (the carrying) of the Virgin of Zapopan
- 2016: Charrería, equestrian tradition in Mexico
- 2011: Mariachi, string music, song and trumpet
- 2010: Traditional Mexican cuisine - ancestral, ongoing community culture, the Michoacán paradigm
- 2010: Pirekua, traditional song of the P'urhépecha
- 2010: Parachicos in the traditional January feast of Chiapa de Corzo
- 2009: Ritual ceremony of the Voladores
- 2009: Places of memory and living traditions of the Otomí-Chichimecas people of Tolimán: the Peña de Bernal, guardian of a sacred territory
- 2008: Indigenous festivity dedicated to the dead

*Register of Good Safeguarding Practices: 1*

- 2012: Xtaxkgakget Makgkaxtlawana: the Centre for Indigenous Arts and its contribution to safeguarding the intangible cultural heritage of the Totonac people of Veracruz, Mexico

## 18. Memory of the World Register: 13

- 2017: The Archives of negatives, publications and documents of Manuel Álvarez Bravo
- 2015: Judicial files concerning the birth of a right: the effective remedy as a contribution of the Mexican writ of amparo to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) of 1948
- 2015: The work of Fray Bernardino de Sahagún (1499-1590) (Mexico, Italy and Spain)
- 2013: Old fonds of the historical archive at Colegio de Vizcaínas: women's education and support in the history of the world
- 2011: Sixteenth to eighteenth century pictographs from the "Maps, drawings and illustrations" of the National Archives of Mexico
- 2009: Collection of the Center of Documentation and Investigation of the Ashkenazi Community in Mexico (16th to 20th Century)
- 2007: American Colonial Music: a sample of its documentary richness (Bolivia, Colombia, Mexico and Peru)
- 2007: Colección de Lenguas Indígenas
- 2005: Biblioteca Palafoxiana
- 2003: Los olvidados
- 1997: Codex Techaloyan de Cuajimalpaz
- 1997: Codices from the Oaxaca Valley
- 1997: Collection of Mexican Codices

**Memory of the World Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (MOWLAC): 17**

- 2018: Archivo de Comerciantes (1757-1850) / Archive of Merchants (1757-1850)
- 2017: Lienzo de Quauhquechollan. Documento histórico-cartográfico del siglo XVI
- 2017: Colecciones cinematográficas testimoniales de la revolución mexicana 1898-1932

- 2017: Fondo Correspondencia de Virreyes
- 2017: The Manuel Álvarez Bravo Archive of Negatives, Publications and Documents
- 2016: Tratado para Proscripción de las armas nucleares en la América Latina y el Caribe (Tratado de Tlatelolco)
- 2016: Acervo Román Piña Chán: La Tradición Cultural Mesoamericana y el Legado Intelectual del arqueólogo en sus Manuscritos y Fotografías
- 2016: Canto General de Pablo Neruda. Primera Edición de 1950
- 2016: Fondo Consejo Mexicano de Fotografía
- 2015: Series y Colecciones del Archivo General Municipal de Puebla
- 2015: Correspondencia de la Guerra de Castas de Yucatán
- 2015: Partituras manuscritas autógrafas del músico Julián Carrillo, 1905-1910
- 2014: El Cocinero Mexicano (Fundación HERDEZ)
- 2014: Fondo Aérofotográfico del Acervo Histórico de Fundación ICA
- 2013: Declaración de la Suprema Corte de Justicia de la Nación sobre la participación del Poder Judicial de la Federación en el cumplimiento de la sentencia de la Corte Interamericana de Derechos Humanos derivado del caso Rosendo Radilla Pacheco contra México (Expedientes Varios 489/2010 y 912/2010)
- 2012: 50 Encuentros de Música y Danza Indígena
- 2002: Incunables americanos impresos en México en el siglo XVI

#### 19. Creative Cities Network: 6

- 2017: Guadalajara, Creative City of Media Arts
- 2017: Morelia, Creative City of Music
- 2017: Mexico City, Creative City of Design
- 2015: Ensenada, Creative City of Gastronomy
- 2015: Puebla, Creative City of Design
- 2015: San Cristóbal de las Casas, Creative City of Crafts and Folk Art

#### 20. UNESCO's standard-setting instruments: 19 ratified and 21 not ratified

- Ratified conventions:

Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict with Regulations for the Execution of the Convention. The Hague, 14 May 1954	07/05/1956	Ratification
Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 14 May 1954	07/05/1956	Ratification
Universal Copyright Convention, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Geneva, 6 September 1952	12/02/1957	Ratification
Protocol 2 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention concerning the application of that Convention to the works of certain international organizations. Geneva, 6 September 1952	12/02/1957	Ratification
International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations. Rome, 26 October 1961	17/02/1964	Ratification
Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970	04/10/1972	Acceptance
Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorized Duplication of their Phonograms. Geneva, 29 October 1971	11/09/1973	Ratification
Regional Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees in Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean. Mexico City, 19 July 1974	14/05/1975	Ratification
Universal Copyright Convention as revised on 24 July 1971, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Paris, 24 July 1971	31/07/1975	Ratification

Convention relating to the Distribution of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite. Brussels, 21 May 1974	18/03/1976	Ratification
Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972	23/02/1984	Acceptance
Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Ramsar, 2 February 1971	04/07/1986	Accession
Protocol to amend the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Paris, 3 December 1982	04/07/1986	Accession
Protocol to amend articles 6 and 7 of the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Regina, Canada, 28 May 1987	02/11/1992	Ratification
Second Protocol to the Hague Convention of 1954 for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 26 March 1999	07/10/2003	Accession
Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. Paris, 17 October 2003	14/12/2005	Ratification
Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage. Paris, 2 November 2001	05/07/2006	Ratification
Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005	05/07/2006	Ratification
International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005	11/04/2007	Ratification

## 21. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in:

*2020-2021: 1*

- 200th anniversary of the birth of Fyodor Dostoevsky, writer (1821 - 1881) (joint proposal of Côte d'Ivoire, Belarus, Italy, Mexico and Russian Federation)

*2018-2019: 2*

- 50th anniversary of the National School of Conservation, Restoration and Museography (ENCRyM in Spanish)
- 100th anniversary of the birth of Juan José Arreola, writer (1918-2001)

## 22. Participation Programme

- 2018-2019: 4 requests were approved for a total amount of US\$ 70,000.
- 2016-2017: 3 requests were approved for a total amount of US\$ 70,000.

## 23. UNESCO Fellowships Programme

- Since 2010, 14 fellowships have been awarded for a total amount of US\$ 260,503.

## 24. Non-governmental organizations in official partnership with UNESCO: 2

- Unión de Universidades de América latina y el Caribe (ULAU), with associate status
- Ibero-American Television Organization (OTI), with consultative status

## 25. Payment of assessed membership fees (as at 31 August 2019):

- Assessment rate for 2019: 1.667 %
- Last payment: April 2018

## 26. Representation within the Secretariat (as at 04/09/2019): over-represented with 12 professional staff in geographical posts 12 (Max. 10; Min. 6)