

+KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON THE ITALY – UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 27 January 1948
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** yes, term expires in 2019
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions** (by year of end of term):
 - 2023: Conciliation and Good Offices Commission responsible for seeking the settlement of any disputes that may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education
 - 2021: Committee for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict
 - 2019: Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Country of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation
 - 2019: Special Committee to the Executive Board
 - 2019: Member of the Executive Board of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **The Director-General's visits to Italy:** none
5. **The former Director-General's visits to Italy:** 13 (4 in 2017, 2 in 2016, in 2015, 2 in 2014, in 2012 and in 2011, and 2 in 2010)
6. **Permanent Delegation:**
 - H.E. Mr Massimo Riccardo, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 1 October 2018)
 - Mr Arnaldo Minuti, Deputy Permanent Delegate
 - Mr Tommaso Giordano, First Secretary
 - Previous Permanent Delegate: H. E. Ms Vincenza Lomonaco (2013-2018)
7. **National Commission:**
 - Date of establishment: 11 February 1950
 - President: Mr Franco Bernabè (since April 2016)
 - Secretary-General: Mr Enrico Vicenti (since October 2016)
8. **Italian personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:**

By year of nomination:

 - 2017: Ms Giuseppina Nicolini, Mayor of Lampedusa, recipient of the Félix Houphouët-Boigny Peace Prize 2017
 - 2017: Ms Francesca Merloni, Goodwill Ambassador for Creative Cities
 - 2004: Ms Cristina Owen-Jones, Goodwill Ambassador for HIV/AIDS Prevention Education
 - 2001: Mr Giancarlo Elia Valori, Goodwill Ambassador

By term expiration:

 - 2023: Mr Francesco Margiotta-Broglio, member of the Conciliation and Good Offices Commission Responsible for Seeking the Settlement of any Disputes which may arise between States Parties to the Convention against Discrimination in Education
 - 2019: Prof. Laura Palazzani, member of the International Bioethics Committee of UNESCO
9. **UNESCO institutions in Italy:**
 - UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe (BRESCE)
 - Date of establishment: 6 December 1988 (previously Regional Office for Science and Technology for Europe - ROSTE)
 - Director: Ms Ana Luiza Thompson-Flores (Brazil)
 - Staff size: 13
 - International Centre for Theoretical Physics (ICTP), Category 1 Center in Trieste

- Date of establishment: 1964
- Director: Mr Fernando Quevedo (Guatemala)
- Staff size: 152
- Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS), Trieste
 - Date of establishment: 1983
 - Executive Director: Mr Romain Murenzi (Rwanda)
 - Staff size: 28
- World Water Assessment Programme (WWAP), Perugia
 - Transferred to Italy in 2009
 - Coordinator: Mr Stefan Uhlenbrook (Germany)
 - Staff size: 7

10. UNESCO Chairs and Unitwin Networks: 29 Chairs and 2 Networks

Chairs

- 2019: UNESCO Chair on Intangible Cultural Heritage and Comparative Law, University of Rome Unitelma Sapienza
- 2019: UNESCO Chair on Gender Equality and Women's Rights, University of Insubria, Como
- 2019: UNESCO Chair on Health Education and Sustainable Development, University Federico II of Naples
- 2018: Chair on Intersectoral Safety for Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience, University of Udine
- 2018: Chair on Education for Human Development and Solidarity among Peoples, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Milan
- 2016: Chair on Heritage and urban regeneration, University IUAV of Venice
- 2016: Chair on the prevention and sustainable management of geo-hydrological hazards, University of Florence
- 2016: Chair on Landscape, Cultural Heritage, and Territorial Governance, The Research Centre of Competence of the Campania Region for Cultural Heritage, Ecology and Economy (BENECON), Caserta
- 2016: Chair on Mediterranean Cultural Landscapes and Communities of Knowledge, University of Basilicata, Potenza
- 2015: Chair on New paradigms and instruments for bio-cultural landscape management, The Higher Institute on Territorial Systems for Innovation (SiTI), Torino
- 2014: Chair on Training and Empowering Human Resources for Health Development in Resource-Limited Countries, University of Brescia
- 2013: Chair on Anticipatory Systems, University of Trento
- 2013: Chair on Sustainable Urban Quality and Urban Culture, notably in Africa, University of Rome-La Sapienza
- 2013: Chair on Water Resources Management and Culture, University for Foreigners in Perugia
- 2013: Chaire « Anthropologie de la santé biosphère et systèmes de soins », Université de Gênes
- 2012 : Chair in Energy for Sustainable Development, Politecnico di Milano
- 2012: Chair in Architectural Preservation and Planning in Heritage Cities, Politecnico di Milano
- 2011: Chair in Engineering for Human and Sustainable Development, Università Degli Studi di Trento
- 2010: Chair in Sustainable Development and Territory Management, University of Turin
- 2009: Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights, Ateneo Pontificio Regina Apostolorum, Università Europea di Roma
- 2008: Chair in Urban and Regional Planning for Sustainable Local Development, Università degli Studi di Ferrara
- 2008: Chair in Social and Spatial Inclusion of International Migrants: Urban Policies and Practice, Università Iuav di Venezia
- 2008: Chair in Population, Migrations and Development, Sapienza University of Rome
- 2008: Chair in Religious Pluralism and Peace, Bologna University
- 2006: Transdisciplinary Chair in Human Development and Culture of Peace, Università degli Studi di Firenze
- 2003: Chaire de Droits de l'homme et éthique de la coopération internationale, Università degli Studi di Bergamo, Bergamo

- 1999 : Chaire sur la Paix, le développement culturel et les politiques culturelles, Institut international Jacques Maritain, Rome
- 1999 : Chair in Human Rights, Democracy and Peace, Università degli Studi di Padova, Padova
- 1998: Interdisciplinary Chair in Biotechnology, «Tor Vergata» University of Rome, Rome

Networks:

- 2017: Network on “Green Chemistry Excellence from the Baltic Sea to the Mediterranean and Beyond”, Politecnico di Milano
- 2015: Network on International Cooperation and Development, University of Pavia and the University of Bethlehem

11. Associated Schools: 25 institutions

- 9 primary, 1 primary/secondary, 14 secondary, 1 teacher training institution
- Joined the ASPnet in 1957.

12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: 1

- 2011: International Research Centre on the Economics of Culture and World Heritage Studies (Turin)

13. UNESCO Clubs: 1 National Association, 4 centres, 142 clubs

14. Biosphere Reserves: 17 (by year of nomination)

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| • 2018: Mont Peglia | • 2003: Tuscan Islands |
| • 2018: Val Camonica – Alto Sebino | • 2002 : Ticino, Val Grande Verbano (extension in 2018) |
| • 2017: Tepilora, Rio Posada and Montalbo | • 1997 : Cilento and Vallo di Diano |
| • 2016: Collina Po | • 1997: Somma-Vesuvio and Miglio d'Oro |
| • 2015: Ledro Alps and Judicaria | • 1979 : Miramare |
| • 2015: Po Delta | • 1977 : Circeo |
| • 2015: Appennino Tosco-Emiliano | • 1977 : Collemeluccio-Montedimezzo |
| • 2014: Sila | |
| • 2013: Mont-Viso Area della Biosfera del Monviso, jointly with France | |
| • 2004: Selve Costiere di Toscana (former Selve Pisana, extended and renamed in 2016) | |

15. Global Geoparks Network: 10

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| • Madonie | • Cilento, Vallo di Diano e Alburni |
| • Beigua | • Tuscan Mining |
| • Geological Mining Park of Sardinia | • Apuan Alps |
| • Rocca di Cerere | • Sesia Val Grande |
| • Adamello-Brenta | • Pollino |

16. World Heritage Sites: 54 (49 cultural and 5 natural) – the highest number in the world

Cultural

- 2018: Ivrea, industrial city of the 20th century
- 2017: Venetian Works of Defence between 15th and 17th centuries: Stato da Terra – western Stato da Mar, jointly with Croatia and Montenegro
- 2015: Arab-Norman Palermo and the Cathedral Churches of Cefalú and Monreale
- 2014: Vineyard Landscape of Piedmont: Langhe-Roero and Monferrato
- 2013: Medici Villas and Gardens in Tuscany
- 2011: Longobards in Italy. Places of the power (568-774 A.D.)
- 2011 : Prehistoric Pile dwellings around the Alps
- 2008 : Mantua and Sabbioneta
- 2008 : Rhaetian Railway in the Albula / Bernina Landscapes

- 2006: Genoa: Le *Strade Nuove* and the system of the *Palazzi dei Rolli*
- 2005 : Syracuse and the Rocky Necropolis of Pantalica
- 2004: Etruscan Necropolises of Cerveteri and Tarquinia
- 2004: Val d'Orcia
- 2003: Sacri Monti of Piedmont and Lombardy
- 2002: Late Baroque Towns of the Val di Noto (South-Eastern Sicily)
- 2001: Villa d'Este, Tivoli
- 2000: Assisi, the Basilica of San Francesco and Other Franciscan Sites
- 2000: City of Verona
- 1999: Villa Adriana (Tivoli)
- 1998: Archaeological Area and the Patriarchal Basilica of Aquileia
- 1998: Cilento and Vallo di Diano National Park with the Archeological sites of Paestum and Velia, and the Certosa di Padula
- 1998: Historic Centre of Urbino
- 1997: Costiera Amalfitana
- 1997: Su Nuraxi di Barumini
- 1997: 18th-Century Royal Palace at Caserta with the Park, the Aqueduct of Vanvitelli, and the San Leucio Complex (1997)
- 1997: Archaeological Area of Agrigento
- 1997: Archaeological Areas of Pompei, Herculaneum and Torre Annunziata
- 1997: Botanical Garden (Orto Botanico), Padua
- 1997: Cathedral, Torre Civica and Piazza Grande, Modena
- 1997: Portovenere, Cinque Terre, and the Islands (Palmaria, Tino and Tinetto)
- 1997: Residences of the Royal House of Savoy
- 1997: Villa Romana del Casale
- 1996 : Historic Centre of the City of Pienza
- 1996: Early Christian Monuments of Ravenna
- 1996: Castel del Monte
- 1996: The Trulli of Alberobello
- 1995: Historic Centre of Naples
- 1995: Crespi d'Adda
- 1995: Historic Centre of Siena
- 1995: Ferrara, City of the Renaissance, and its Po Delta
- 1994: City of Vicenza and the Palladian Villas of the Veneto
- 1993: The Sassi and the Park of the Rupestrian Churches of Matera
- 1990: Historic Centre of San Gimignano
- 1987: Venice and its Lagoon
- 1987: Piazza del Duomo, Pisa
- 1982: Historic Centre of Florence
- 1980: Historic Centre of Rome, the Properties of the Holy See in that City Enjoying Extraterritorial Rights and San Paolo Fuori le Mura (transboundary site)
- 1980: Church and Dominican Convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie with "The Last Supper" by Leonardo da Vinci
- 1979: Rock Drawings in Valcamonica

Natural

- 2013: Mount Etna
- 2009: The Dolomites
- 2007: Ancient and Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and Other Regions of Europe (extended in 2011, 2017), jointly with Albania, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Ukraine
- 2003: Monte San Giorgio
- 2000: Isole Eolie (Aeolian Islands)

17. Tentative List: 42 properties

- 2019: Ancient and Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and Other Regions of Europe - extension
- 2019: Via Francigena in Italy
- 2006: The Porticoes of Bologna
- 2006: Sulcis Iglesiente
- 2006: Pelagos: The Cetacean Sanctuary
- 2006: Island of Asinara

- 2018: Evaporite karst and caves of Emilia Romagna Region
- 2017: Les Alpes de la Méditerranée
- 2017: The Cultural Landscape of Civita di Bagnoregio
- 2016: The cultural landscape of the Benedictine settlements in medieval Italy
- 2016: Padova Urbs Picta. Giotto, the Scrovegni Chapel and the 14th century painting cycles
- 2014: Great Spas of Europe
- 2012: Parco Nazionale della Sila – Sila, gran bosco d'Italia
- 2010: The Prosecco Hills of Conegliano and Valdobbiadene. (Le Colline del Prosecco di Conegliano e Valdobbiadene)
- 2008: Massif du Mont-Blanc (inscription comme patrimoine naturel transfrontalier, avec France et Suisse)
- 2006: The Marble Basin of Carrara
- 2006: The Transhumance: The Royal Shepherd's Track
- 2006: Volterra: Historical City and Cultural Landscape
- 2006: The Aniene valley and Villa Gregoriana in Tivoli
- 2006: The Murge of Altamura
- 2006: The Lower Palaeolithic Palaeosurfaces at Isernia-La Pineta and Notarchirico
- 2006: Lake Maggiore and Lake D'Orta lakelands
- 2006: Karstic caves in prehistoric Apulia
- 2006: Citadel of Alessandria
- 2006: Historic centre of Pavia and Chartreuse
- 2006: The city of Bergamo
- 2006: Hanbury botanical gardens
- 2006: Historic Centre of Lucca
- 2006: Orvieto
- 2006: Via Appia "Regina Viarum"
- 2006: Villas of the Papal Nobility
- 2006: Historic Centre of Parma
- 2006: Salento and the "Barocco Leccese"
- 2006: Cattolica Monastery in Stilo and Basilian-Byzantine complexes
- 2006: Ponds in the Bay of Oristano and the Sinis Peninsula island of Mal di Ventre
- 2006: Fortress Town of Palmanova
- 2006: Romanesque Cathedrals in Puglia
- 2006: Taormina and Isola Bella
- 2006: Archipelago of La Maddalena and Islands of Bocche di Bonifacio
- 2006: Mothia Island and Lilibeo: The Phoenician-Punic Civilization in Italy
- 2006: Bradyseism in the Flegrea Area
- 2006: Cascata delle Marmore and Valnerina: Monastic sites and ancient hydrogeological reclamation works

18. Intangible Heritage lists: 9 elements

- 2018: Art of dry stone walling, knowledge and techniques together with Croatia, Cyprus, France, Greece, Slovenia, Spain and Switzerland
- 2017: Art of Neapolitan 'Pizzaiuolo'
- 2016: Falconry, a living human heritage together with the United Arab Emirates, Austria, Belgium, Czechia, France, Germany, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Republic of Korea, Mongolia, Morocco, Pakistan, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Spain and Syrian Arab Republic
- 2014: Traditional agricultural practice of cultivating the "vite ad alberello" (head-trained bush vines) of the community of Pantelleria
- 2013: Celebration of big shoulder-borne processional structures
- 2013: The Mediterranean diet, jointly with Cyprus, Croatia, Greece, Morocco, Portugal and Spain
- 2012: Traditional violin craftsmanship in Cremona
- 2008: Opera dei Pupi, Sicilian Puppet Theatre
- 2008: Canto a tenore, Sardinian Pastoral Songs

19. Creative Cities Network: 9 cities

- 2017: Alba, City of Gastronomy
- 2017: Carrara, City of Crafts and Folk Art
- 2017: Milan, City of Literature
- 2017: Pesaro, City of Music
- 2015: Rome, City of Film
- 2015: Parma, City of Gastronomy
- 2014: Torino, City of Design

- 2013: Fabriano, City of Craft and Folk Art
- 2006: Bologna, City of Music

20. Memory of the World Register: 8 inscriptions

- 2017: Antonio Carlos Gomes, jointly with Brazil
- 2015: Collection of Barbanera Almanacs
- 2015: The work of Fray Bernardino de Sahagún (1499-1590), jointly with Mexico
- 2015 : Codex Purpureus Rossanensis
- 2013: Newsreels and photographs of Istituto Nazionale L.U.C.E.
- 2011: Lucca's Historical Diocesan Archives
- 2005 : The Malatesta Novello Library
- 2005: The Bibliotheca Corviniana Collection, jointly with Hungary, Austria, Belgium, France and Germany)

21. Legal instruments: 30 ratified

22. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in:

2018-2019: 1

- 500th anniversary of the death of Leonardo da Vinci (1452-1519). *N.B.:* The “550th anniversary of the birth of Leonardo da Vinci” was celebrated in 2002.

2020-2021: 1 (to be confirmed by the 40th session of the General Conference)

- 700th anniversary of the death of Dante Alighieri, poet (1265 - 1321) (with the support of San Marino and Switzerland)

23. Participation Programme: no requests submitted since 2000

24. Fellowships:

- 2 fellowships awarded since 2010 for a total amount of US\$ 23,146
- 10 fellowships awarded to Italian nationals since 2007, for a total amount of US\$137,983

25. NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO: 13

- Association of Private Committees for the Safeguarding of Venice
- Associazione Internazionale New Humanity
- Caritas Internationalis (CARITAS)
- Community of Mediterranean Universities (CMU)
- Fondazione Idis Citta Della Scienza (IDIS)
- International Institute of Humanitarian Law (IIHL)
- International Union of Notaries (IULN)
- Jacques Maritain International Institute
- Mediterranean Women's Forum (MWF)
- Society for International Development (SID)
- World Organization of Former Pupils of Catholic Education (OMAAEEC)
- World Underwater Federation (CMAS)
- World Union of Catholic Teachers (WUCT)

26. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2019: paid

- Assessment rate: 4.268%
- Contributions assessed: US\$ 10,809,395

27. Extrabudgetary contributions (in US\$):

Year	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Total	37,775,833	28,054,715	28,760,553	29,005,631	38,161,506	36,707,054	40,310,182

28. Representation within the Secretariat (min. 11, max. 18): over-represented, with 26 professional staff in geographical posts

- at Headquarters : 19
- in the Field : 7

29. Map of the country

