

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON AUSTRIA / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** since 13 August 1948.
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** no (previous term of membership: 2011-2015).
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions, etc.:**
  - 2023: Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions
  - 2023: International Co-ordinating Council (ICC) of the Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme
  - 2023: Committee for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict
  - 2023: Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological Programme
  - 2023: Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee
  - 2023: Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport
  - 2023: International Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication
  - 2020: Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage
  - Permanent member: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **The Director-General's visits to Austria:** none
5. **The former Director-General's visits to Austria:** 5 (2017, 2016, 2013, twice in 2012)
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
  - H.E. Mr Michael Linhart, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since 17 January 2019)
  - H.E. Ms Claudia Reinprecht, Ambassador, Alternate Permanent Delegate (since July 2017)
  - Previous Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Walter Grammer (2017-2018)
7. **Austrian Commission for UNESCO:**
  - Date of establishment: 30 June 1949
  - President: Dr Sabine Haag
  - Vice-Presidents : Prof Manfred Nowak and Dr. Barbara Stelzl-Marx
  - Secretary-General: Ms Patrizia Jankovic (since August 2019)
8. **Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:**
  - Mr Dietrich Schüller, Member of the International Consultative Committee of the "Memory of the World" Programme (term expires in 2022)
9. **UNESCO institutions in the country:** none
10. **UNESCO Chairs:** 7
  - 2019: UNESCO Chair on Conversation and Preservation of Tangible Cultural Heritage, University of Applied Arts Vienna
  - 2016: UNESCO Chair on Bioethics, Medical University of Vienna
  - 2016: UNESCO Chair in Human Rights and Human Security, The University of Graz
  - 2014: UNESCO Chair on Integrated River Research and Management, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences
  - 2011: UNESCO Chair in Cultural Heritage and Tourism, established at the University of Salzburg

- 2008: UNESCO Chair in Peace Studies, established at the University of Innsbruck
- 2007: UNESCO Chair in Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue for South-East Europe, established at the Karl-Franzens University, Graz

**11. Associated Schools:** 96 institutions

- 6 primary, 5 primary/secondary, 56 secondary schools, 25 vocational and technical institutions, 4 others institutions
- Austria joined the ASP Network in 1954

**12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** 1

- International Centre for the Promotion of Human Rights at the Local and Regional Levels (Graz) (2017)

**13. UNESCO Clubs:** 2 Clubs

**14. Biosphere Reserves:** 3

- 2012: Salzburger Lungau & Kärntner Nockberge
- 2005: Wienerwald
- 2000: Grosses Walsertal

**15. UNESCO Global Geopark Network:** 4

- 2015: Styrian Eisenwurz Global Geopark
- 2015: Ore of the Alps Geopark
- 2015: Karawanken/Karavanke Transnational Global Geopark (transboundary with Slovenia)

**16. World Heritage Sites:** 10 (9 cultural and 1 natural)

*Cultural:*

- 2011: Prehistoric Pile dwellings around the Alps (jointly with France, Germany, Italy, Slovenia and Switzerland)
- 1999: City of Graz – Historic Centre and Schloss Eggenberg (expanded in 2010)
- 2001: Historic Centre of Vienna – on the List in Danger since 2017
- 2001: Fertő/Neusiedlersee Cultural Landscape (jointly with Hungary)
- 2000: Wachau Cultural Landscape
- 1998: Semmering Railway
- 1997: Hallstatt-Dachstein / Salzkammergut Cultural Landscape
- 1996: Historic Centre of the City of Salzburg
- 1996: Palace and Gardens of Schönbrunn

*Natural:*

- 2007: Ancient and Primeval Beech Forests of the Carpathians and Other Regions of Europe, jointly with Albania, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Italy, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Ukraine (expanded in 2011 and 2017)

**17. Tentative List:** 12 properties

- 2016: Großglockner High Alpine Road / Großglockner Hochalpenstraße
- 2015: Frontiers of the Roman Empire
- 2014: Great Spas of Europe
- 2013: Hall in Tyrol – The Mint
- 2003: National Park "Hohe Tauern"
- 2002: Cultural Landscape of "Innsbruck-Nordkette/Karwendel"
- 2002: Iron Trail with Erzberg and the old town of Steyr

- 1994: Bregenzerwald (Bregenz Forest)
- 1994: Abbey of Kremsmünster
- 1994: Heiligenkreuz Abbey
- 1994: Hochosterwitz Castle
- 1994: Cathedral of Gurk

**18. Intangible Heritage Lists: 4**

*3 elements on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity*

- Falconry, a living human heritage, jointly with United Arab Emirates, Belgium, Czech Republic, France, Hungary, Republic of Korea, Mongolia, Morocco, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Spain, and Syrian Arab Republic (2016)
- Classical horsemanship and the High School of the Spanish Riding School Vienna (2015)
- Schemenlaufen, the Carnival of Imst (2012)

*1 element on the Register of Good Safeguarding Practices*

- Regional Centres for Craftsmanship: a strategy for safeguarding the cultural heritage of traditional handicraft (2016)

**19. Creative Cities Network: 2 cities**

- 2014: Linz, UNESCO City of Media Arts
- 2011: Graz, UNESCO City of Design

**20. Memory of the World Register: 15 inscriptions**

- 2017: The Documents on the Semmering Railway from the Imperial & Royal Historical Museum of Austrian Railways
- 2017: Philosophical Nachlass of Ludwig Wittgenstein, jointly with the United Kingdom, The Netherlands and Canada.
- 2013: The Golden Bull (All seven originals and the “King Wenceslaus’ luxury manuscript copy” of the Österreichische Nationalbibliothek) – jointly with Germany
- 2011: Mainz Psalter at the Austrian National Library
- 2011: Arnold Schönberg Estate
- 2007: Tabula Peutingeriana
- 2005: Collection of Gothic Architectural Drawings
- 2005: Brahms Collection
- 2005: Bibliotheca Corviniana-jointly with Belgium, France, Germany, Hungary, and Italy
- 2003: The Atlas Blaeu-Van der Hem of the Austrian National Library
- 2001: Papyrus Erzherzog Rainer
- 2001: The Vienna City Library’s Schubert Collection
- 1999: The Historical Collections (1899-1950) of the Vienna Phonogrammarchiv
- 1997: Vienna Dioscurides
- 1997: Final Document of the Congress of Vienna

**21. Legal instruments: 25 ratified and 15 non-ratified**

- Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property: ratified (15 July 2015)
- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: ratified (9 April 2009)
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified (18 December 2006)
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratified (19 July 2007)
- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified

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

**23. Participation Programme: No requests submitted since 2014**

**24. Fellowships: 3 fellowships awarded since 2006, for a total amount of US\$ 40,673**

**25. NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO: 7**

*NGOs with Associate status: 1*

- 1996: International Press Institute (IPI)

*NGOs with Consultative status: 6*

- 2010: International Information Centre for Terminology (INFOTERM)
- 2009: European Dyslexia Association (EDA)
- 1991: European Peace University (EPU)
- 1984: Consejo Europeo de Investigaciones Sociales de America Latina (CEISA)
- 1983: International Organization of Folk Art (IOV)
- 1958: Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de Langues Vivantes (FIPLV)

**26. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2019: paid**

- Assessment rate: 0.874%
- Contributions assessed: US\$ 2.213.545

**27. Voluntary contributions** (expressed in US\$):

Jun 2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
25,892	23,229	28,247	23,508	102,978	-	52,110	55,570	60,532

**28. Representation within the Secretariat:** normally represented (min. 4, max. 6) with 4 professional staff in geographical posts