

## I. COUNTRY PROFILE

### Political system

- The country is a Presidential Republic; the President is both Head of State and of Government. The Cabinet is appointed by the President.
- President ad interim: Ms Jeanine Añez (since 12 November 2019)
- Vice-President: None
- Minister of Foreign Relations: Ms Karen Longaric (since 1 July 2019)

### Statistical figures (source: UNDP Human Development Report 2019)

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| • Total population (millions):                         | 11.4             |
| • Human Development Index:                             | 0.703 / Rank 114 |
| • Life expectancy at birth (years) :                   | 71.2             |
| • Gross national income (GNI) per capita (2011 PPP\$): | 6.849            |
| • Internet users (% of population):                    | 43.8             |
| • Carbon dioxide emissions per capita (tonnes):        | 1.8              |

*(Map of Bolivia at the last page)*

### Education (source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics)

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| • Expected years of schooling (years):            | 14                    |
| • Compulsory education (years):                   | 14 (from age 4 to 17) |
| • Net enrolment ratio in primary education (%):   | 90.88                 |
| • Government expenditure on education (% of GDP): | 7.29                  |

## II. BOLIVIA/UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** Since 13 November 1946
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** not currently (last mandate from 1994 to 1999)
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees and Commissions:** None
4. **Director-General's visits to Bolivia:** none to date
5. **Former Director General's visits to Bolivia:**
  - June 2014 (G77+China Summit) (Irina Bokova)
  - March 2007 (Koichiro Matsuura)
  - July 1999, December 1996, February 1992 (Federico Mayor)
  - 1987 (Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow)
  - 1954 (Luther H. Evans)
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
  - Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Carlos Antonio Carrasco, Ambassador (since 20 February 2020)
  - Deputy Permanent Delegate: Ms Pamela Inés Mamani Espejo
  - Previous Permanent Delegates: Mr Sergio Cáceres García (2013-2017); Mr Pablo César Groux Canedo (July 2010-Oct 2012)
7. **UNESCO Office:** none

- Bolivia is covered by the UNESCO Office in Quito (Ecuador). Since February 2014 Ms Saadia Sanchez (Venezuela, D-1) is the Director of the Cluster Office in Quito

**8. Bolivia National Commission for cooperation with UNESCO:**

- Date of establishment: 1955
- President (since 28 January 2020): Mr Víctor Hugo Cárdenas, Minister of Education
- Secretary General (since May 2019 ): Ms Rosemery Mamani Ortiz

**9. Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:** None

**10. UNESCO Chairs:** none

**11. Associated Schools:** 12

- 5 primary, 1 primary/secondary, 5 secondary, 1 teacher training institution

**12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none

**13. Biosphere Reserves:** 3

- 1977: Pílon-Lajas
- 1977: Ulla Ulla
- 1986: Beni

**14. UNESCO Global Geoparks:** none

**15. World Heritage Sites:** 5 (6 Cultural, including 1 in danger, 1 Natural)

*Cultural*

- 1990: Jesuit Missions of the Chiquitos
- 1991: Historic City of Sucre
- 1998: Fuerte de Samaipata
- 2000: Tiwanaku: Spiritual and Political Centre of the Tiwanaku Culture

*Natural site*

- 2000: Noel Kempff Mercado National Park

*List of World Heritage in danger*

- 1987: City of Potosi (Cultural)

**16. Tentative List:** 5 (inscribed on 1 July 2003)

- Cal Orck'o: Footprints of time
- Incallajta, the largest Inca site in the Kollasuyo
- Pulacayo, Industrial Heritage Site
- Sacred Titicaca Lake
- Sajama National Park

**17. Intangible Cultural Heritage List:** 6

- 2017: Ritual journeys in La Paz during Alasita
- 2014: Pujllay and Ayarichi, music and dances of the Yampara culture
- 2012: Ichapekene Piesta, the biggest festival of San Ignacio de Moxos

- 2009: Safeguarding intangible cultural heritage of Aymara communities in Bolivia, Chile and Peru
- 2008: Andean cosmovision of the Kallawayas
- 2008: Carnival of Oruro

#### 18. Memory of the World Register: 4

- 2013: Documentary Collection “Life and Works of Ernesto Che Guevara: from the originals manuscripts of its adolescence and youth to the campaign Diary in Bolivia”
- 2013: Cathedral of La Plata Church Music Manuscript Collection
- 2011: Documentary Fonds of Royal Audiencia Court of La Plata (RALP)
- 2007: American Colonial Music: a sample of its documentary richness

#### 19. Creative Cities Network: 1

- 2017: Cochabamba (Creative City of Gastronomy)

#### 20. UNESCO's standard-setting instruments: 9 Ratified

##### Ratified conventions:

Convention	Date of deposit	Type of deposit
Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials, with Annexes A to E and Protocol annexed. Florence, 17 June 1950.	29/09/1970	Ratification
Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970.	04/10/1976	Ratification
Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972.	04/10/1976	Ratification
Universal Copyright Convention, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	22/12/1989 <sup>1</sup>	Accession
Protocol 1 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention concerning the application of that Convention to the works of stateless persons and refugees. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	22/12/1989 <sup>2</sup>	Accession
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.	22/12/1989	Accession
Protocol 3 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention concerning the effective date of instruments of ratification or acceptance of or accession to that Convention. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	22/12/1989	Accession
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.	22/12/1989	Accession
Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Ramsar, 2 February 1971.	27/06/1990	Accession
International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations. Rome, 26 October 1961.	24/08/1993	Accession
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.	17/11/2004	Accession

Regional Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Diplomas and Degrees in Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean. Mexico City, 19 July 1974.	17/06/2005	Ratification
Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. Paris, 17 October 2003.	28/02/2006	Ratification
Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005	04/08/2006	Ratification
International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005	15/11/2006	Ratification
Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage. Paris, 2 November 2001.	24/02/2017	Ratification
Convention against Discrimination in Education. Paris, 14 December 1960.	17/08/2017	Ratification

**21. Anniversaries with which UNESCO was associated in 2018-2019:** none

**22. Participation Programme:**

- During the 2018-2019 biennium, the Director-General approved three requests submitted by Bolivia under the Participation Programme for a total amount of US \$66,000.

**23. Fellowships:**

- Since 2010, 4 fellowships have been awarded to Bolivia for a total amount of US\$ 42 987.

**24. NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO:** none

**25. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2020:**

- Assessment rate for 2020: 0.021 %

**26. Staff members' status:** Normally-represented (min. 2, max. 4)

Total number of staff members: 3

- International Professional Staff at Headquarters : 2
- General Service Staff at Headquarters : 1