

UNESCO AND THE BOLIVARIAN REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA: KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** Since 25 November 1946
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** yes (term expires: 2021)
3. **Current Membership on Intergovernmental Committees and Commissions:** 3
 - 2019: Headquarters Committee
 - 2019: Legal Committee
 - Permanent membership: Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **DG's visit to Venezuela:** none to date
5. **Former Director General's visit to Venezuela:** January 2001, M. Koïchiro Matsuura
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO:**
 - H.E. Mr Hector Alejandro Constant Rosales, Ambassador and Permanent Delegate of Venezuela to UNESCO (since 10 January 2018)
 - Previous Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Luis Alberto Crespo (Sept 2013- Nov 2017)
7. **UNESCO Office:** Covered by the UNESCO Cluster Office in Quito, currently headed by Ms Saadia Sánchez Vegas (D-1, Venezuela).
8. **Venezuelan National Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO:**
 - Date of establishment : 17 August 1948
 - Secretary-General: Mr Carlos Luis Uztáris Pérez (since December 2018)
9. **Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:** 2
 - 2003: Ms Patricia Velásquez, Artist for Peace
 - 1998: Venezuela Children Symphonic Orchestra (founded by Mr José Antonio Abreu), Artists for Peace
10. **UNESCO Chairs:** 1
 - 2004: Chair on Computer Network, Universidad de Los Andes
11. **Associated Schools:** 205
 - 12 Pre-primary, 158 Primary, 23 Primary/Secondary, 9 Secondary, 1 Teacher Training Institution, 2 Vocational and Technical Institution
12. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none
13. **Biosphere Reserves:** 2
 - 2009: Delta del Orinoco
 - 1993: Alto Orinoco-Casiquiare
14. **UNESCO Global Geoparks:** none
15. **World Heritage Sites:** 3 (2 Cultural and 1 Natural)

- 2000: Ciudad Universitaria de Caracas (Cultural)
- 1994: Canaima National Park (Natural)
- 1993: Coro and its Port (Cultural)

16. Tentative List: 3

- 2003: Ciudad Bolivar in the narrowness of the Orinoco River
- 2002: Hacienda Chuao (Chuao Plantation)
- 1999: City of "La Guaira"

17. Intangible Cultural Heritage List: 6

- 2017: Colombian-Venezuelan llano work songs
- 2016: Carnival of El Callao, a festive representation of a memory and cultural identity
- 2015: Traditional knowledge and technologies relating to the growing and processing of the curagua
- 2014: Mapoyo oral tradition and its symbolic reference points within their ancestral territory
- 2013: La Parranda de San Pedro de Guarenas y Guatire
- 2012: Venezuela's Dancing Devils of Corpus Christi

18. Memory of the World Register: 3

- 2007: Colombeia: Generalissimo Francisco de Miranda's Archives
- 1997: General Archive of the Nation - Writings of The Liberator Simón Bolívar
- 1997: Collection of Latin American photographs of the 19th Century

19. Creative Cities Network: none

20. UNESCO's standard-setting instruments: 19 ratified and 21 non-ratified

Ratified conventions:

Convention	Date of deposit	Type of deposit
Universal Copyright Convention, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Geneva, 6 September 1952.	30/06/1966	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.	30/06/1966	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.	30/06/1966	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.	30/06/1966	Accession
Convention against Discrimination in Education. Paris, 14 December 1960.	16/12/1968	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.	07/09/1976	Ratification
Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorized Duplication of their Phonograms. Geneva, 29 October 1971.	30/07/1982	Accession
Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Ramsar, 2 February 1971.	23/11/1988	Accession
Protocol to amend the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Paris, 3 December 1982.	23/11/1988	Accession
Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972.	30/10/1990	Acceptance

Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials, with Annexes A to E and Protocol annexed. Florence, 17 June 1950.	01/05/1992	Accession
Protocol to the Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials, with Annexes A to H. Nairobi, 26 November 1976.	01/05/1992	Accession
International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations. Rome, 26 October 1961.	30/10/1995	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.	11/01/1996	Accession
Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970.	21/03/2005	Acceptance
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.	09/05/2005	Accession
Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. Paris, 17 October 2003.	12/04/2007	Acceptance
International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005	13/08/2009	Acceptance
Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005	28/05/2013	Acceptance

21. Anniversaries with which UNESCO was associated in 2020-2021: None

22. Participation Programme: none

23. Fellowships:

- 2 fellowships since 2010 for a total amount of US\$ 28,332

24. NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO: none

25. IGOs in official relations with UNESCO: 1

- Latin American Economic System (*Sistema Económico Latinoamericano y del Caribe-SELA*), Caracas

26. Payment of assessed membership fees:

- Assessment rate for 2019: 0.940 %

27. Staff members' geographical distribution status: under-represented (min. 4, max. 7) with 1 Professional staff on geographical posts: 1, Total number of staff members: 6