

## BAHAMAS AND UNESCO KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** 23 April 1981
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** No (Last mandate 2001-2009)
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions:** 1
  - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **DG's visits to the country:** None
5. **Former Director-General's visits to the country:** None
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO**  
Ambassador Mr. Desmond Edwards, Permanent Delegate (since 15 November 2020)
7. **UNESCO Office:** No  
The country is covered by UNESCO Cluster Office in Kingston (Jamaica), headed by Ms Katherine Grigsby (D-1, Nicaragua) since August 2015.
8. **Bahamas National Commission for UNESCO**
  - Establishment: January 1991
  - President/Chairperson: -----
  - Secretary-General (since July 2019): Ms Deidre L. Bevans
9. **Personalities linked to the UNESCO activities** (*Goodwill Ambassadors, Special Envoys, Chairpersons of Committees, etc*): None
10. **UNESCO Chairs and UNITWIN Networks**  
**UNESCO Chairs:** None  
**UNITWIN Networks:** None
11. **Associated Schools Project Network (ASPnet) :** None
12. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** None
13. **Biosphere Reserves:** None
14. **UNESCO Global Geopark Network:** None
15. **World Heritage**  
**Sites inscribed on the World Heritage List:** None  
**Tentative List:** 2
  - Historic Lighthouses of The Bahamas (09/11/2015)
  - The Inagua National Park (09/11/2015)
16. **Intangible Heritage Lists:** None
17. **Memory of the World Register:** 2
  - 2009: Farquharson's Journal;
  - 2009: Registry of Slaves of the British Caribbean 1817-1834 (submitted by Bahamas, Belize, Dominica, Jamaica, St Kitts, Trinidad and Tobago and the United Kingdom)**Memory of the World Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (MOWLAC):** None
18. **Creative Cities Network:** 1
  - Nassau, Crafts and Folk Art
19. **UNESCO's standard-setting instruments**

Ratified conventions:

|  |            |                            |
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| Universal Copyright Convention, with Appendix Declaration relating to Article XVII and Resolution concerning Article XI. Geneva, 6 September 1952.                       | 13/07/1976 | Notification of succession |
| 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. | 27/09/1976 | Accession                  |
| Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Waterfowl Habitat. Ramsar, 2 February 1971.*  | 07/02/1997 | Ratification               |
| Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970.                | 09/10/1997 | Ratification               |
| International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005   | 12/10/2006 | Ratification               |
| Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972.  | 15/05/2014 | Ratification               |
| Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. Paris, 17 October 2003.   | 15/05/2014 | Ratification               |
| Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005  | 29/12/2014 | Ratification               |

**20. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2018-2019:** None

**21. Participation Programme**

No request submitted.

**22. UNESCO Fellowships Programme**

No fellowships awarded since 2010.

**23. Non-governmental organizations in official partnership with UNESCO:** None

**24. Payment of assessed membership fees (as at 11 April 2019):**

Assessment rate for 2019: 0.023 %

**25. Representation within the Secretariat (as at 16/04/2019):** Non-represented (Max. 4; Min. 2):

Professional staff in geographical posts: 0

Total number of staff members: 1