

THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE 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. **Director-General's visits to the country:** None
5. **Former Director-General's visits to the country:** None
6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO**

Mr Desmond Edwards, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate designated
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
 - Secretary-General (since July 2019): 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:

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 31 August 2019):**

Assessment rate for 2019: 0.023 %; Last payment: 25 June 2019

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