

## PERU AND UNESCO: KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

### I. COUNTRY PROFILE

#### Political system

- The country is a Presidential Republic. The President is both Head of State and Head of Government; Cabinet is appointed by the President.
- President of the Republic: Mr José Pedro CASTILLO (since 28 July 2021) elected President in second round. He won the elections with 50.12% of the votes, with a narrow margin of only 44 263 votes cast on June 6 over Ms. Keiko Fujimori (Popular Force).
- Minister of Foreign Affairs: Mr Héctor Béjar Rivera (since 29 July 2021)
- Elections: President directly elected by absolute majority popular vote in 2 rounds if needed for a 5-year term (eligible for nonconsecutive terms); election last held on 11 April 2021 with a runoff on 6 June 2021. Next election to be held in April 2026.

#### Statistical data (source: UNDP Human Development Report)

- Total population (million): 36
- Human Development Index: 0.777 / 79<sup>e</sup> rank
- Life expectancy at birth (years): 76.7
- Gross national income (GNI) per capita (2011 PPP\$): 12,252
- Internet users (% of population): 52,5%
- Carbon dioxide emissions per capita (tones): 1.7

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

- Expected years of schooling (years): 15
- Compulsory education (years): 14 (from age 3 to 16)
- Net enrolment ratio in primary education (%): 96.5%
- Government expenditure on education (% of GDP): 15.1%

### II. COOPERATION WITH UNESCO

1. **Membership in UNESCO:** 21 November 1946

2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** No (last mandate 2009 – 2013)

3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions:** 3

- 2023: International Coordinating Council of the Programme on Man and the Biosphere
- 2021: Legal Committee
- 2021: Subsidiary Committee of the Meeting of States Parties to the 1970 Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property

4. **DG's visits to the country:** None

5. **Former Director-General's visits to the country:** 1 in 2011

6. **Permanent Delegation to UNESCO**

- Ambassador Silvia ALFARO ESPINOSA, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO (since October 2021)

7. **UNESCO Office:** Yes

- Established in 1995

- National Office headed by Mr Ernesto Fernandez Polcuch (P-5, Argentina) (since 1 November 2019)

## **8. Peruvian National Commission for UNESCO (Comisión Nacional Peruana de Cooperación con la UNESCO)**

- Establishment: October 1947
- President/Chairperson: Mr Carlos Martín Benavides Abanto, Minister of Education
- Secretary-General: Ms María Amelia Trigos Barentzen
- Technical Coordinator: Ms Silvia Martínez

## **9. Personalities linked to the UNESCO activities: 1**

- Ms Tania Libertad, Artists for Peace

## **10. UNESCO Chairs and UNITWIN Networks: 7 Chairs**

- 2020: UNESCO Chair on City, Landscape and Heritage, Universidad de Lima
- 2019: UNESCO Chair on Educational Policies and the 2030 Agenda, Universidad Antonio Ruiz de Montoya, Lima
- 2018: UNESCO Chair on Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Tourism, University of San Martín de Porres, Lima
- 2017: UNESCO Chair on Improving the Teaching of Reading and Writing in the early grades of primary education, Cayetano Heredia Peruvian University
- 2016: UNESCO Chair on Gender Equality in Higher Education Institutions, The Pontifical Catholic University of Peru
- 2014: UNESCO Chair on “Cultural Diversity and Dialogue”, University Ricardo Palma
- 2003: UNESCO Chair in Communication and Culture of Peace, University of Lima, Lima

## **11. Associated Schools Project Network (ASPnet): 71**

- Pre-primary (2), Pre-primary to Secondary (2), Primary (23), Primary/Secondary (25), Secondary (6), Teacher Training Institution (4), Vocational and Technical Institution (8), and Higher Technological Institutes (1)

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

- The Regional Centre for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Heritage of Latin America (CRESPIAL) in Cusco, Peru, was established further to 33 C/Resolution 46 (2005); a first agreement signed with UNESCO in February 2006, and a second agreement was signed in July 2014 and entered into force for a period of six years on 22 January 2015. Further to the results of an evaluation undertaken in 2020, the 212 EXB accepted the renewal of CRESPIAL as a Centre under the auspices of UNESCO.

## **13. Biosphere Reserves: 7**

- 2021: Avireri-Vraem
- 2020: Bosques de Neblina – Selva Central
- 2016: Gran Pajatén
- 2010: Oxapampa-Ashaninka-Yanesha
- 1977: Noroeste Amotapes-Manglares (extended in 2017; part of Transboundary Bosques de Paz with Ecuador)
- 1977: Huascarán
- 1977: Manu (extended in 2017)

#### 14. UNESCO Global Geopark Network: 1

- 2019: Colca y Volcanes de Andagua

#### 15. World Heritage

*Sites inscribed on the World Heritage List:* 13 (9 Cultural, 2 Natural and 2 Mixed)

- 2021: Chankillo Archaeoastronomical Complex (Cultural)
- 2014: Qhapaq Ñan, Andean Road System (Transboundary property: Argentina, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru) (Cultural)
- 2009: Sacred City of Caral-Supe (Cultural)
- 2000: Historical Centre of the City of Arequipa (Cultural)
- 1994: Lines and Geoglyphs of Nasca and Palpa (Cultural)
- 1990: Río Abiseo National Park (Mixed)
- 1988: Historic Centre of Lima (Cultural)
- 1987: Manú National Park (Natural)
- 1986: **Chan Chan Archaeological Zone (Cultural)** (List of World Heritage in Danger since 1986)
- 1985: Huascarán National Park (Natural)
- 1985: Chavin (Archaeological Site) (Cultural)
- 1983: City of Cuzco (Cultural)
- 1983: Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu (Mixed)

*Tentative List:* 23

- 2019: The Coastal Lomas System of Peru
- 2019: Landscape Reserve Sub Cuenca del Cotahuasi
- 2019: Guano Islands, Islets, and Capes National Reserve System form Peru (RNSIIPG)
- 2019: Huayllay National Sanctuary
- 2019: Sierra del Divisor National Park
- 2019: Ceremonial Centers and Forests in the La Leche Valley
- 2019: Paleontological Sites of Pisco and Camana Basins
- 2019: Cultural Landscape of the Sondondo Valley
- 2019: Peruvian Central Railway
- 2019: Las Huarinas Lagoons
- 2019: Wineries and Vineyards for traditional Pisco Production
- 2019: Battlefield of Ayacucho
- 2019: Salt Mines of Maras
- 2019: Chachapoyas sites of the Utcubamba Valley
- 2019: Baroque Temples of Collao
- 2019: Archaeological complex of Marcahuamachuco
- 2019: Archaeological Complex of Toro Muerto
- 2019: Nasca Aqueducts
- 2019: Rural Temples of Cusco
- 2017: Santa Bárbara mining complex
- 2005: Lake Titicaca
- 2002: The Historic Centre of Cajamarca
- 1996: Historic Center of the City of Trujillo

## 16. Intangible Heritage Lists: 12 elements in 3 Lists

### *Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity: 10*

- 2019: 'Hatajo de Negritos' and 'Hatajo de Pallitas' from the Peruvian south-central coastline
- 2017: Traditional system of Corongo's water judges
- 2015: Wititi dance of the Colca Valley
- 2014: Festivity of Virgen de la Candelaria of Puno
- 2013: Knowledge, skills and rituals related to the annual renewal of the Q'eshwachaka bridge
- 2011: Pilgrimage to the sanctuary of the Lord of Qoyllurit'i
- 2010: Huaconada, ritual dance of Mito
- 2010: Scissors dance
- 2008: Oral heritage and cultural manifestations of the Zápara people (Ecuador and Peru)
- 2008: Taquile and its textile art

### *List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding: 1*

- 2011: Eshuva, Harákmbut sung prayers of Peru's Huachipaire people

### *Register of Good Safeguarding Practices: 1*

- 2009: Safeguarding intangible cultural heritage of Aymara communities in Bolivia, Chile and Peru (Chile, Peru and Plurinational State of Bolivia)

## 17. Memory of the World Register: 3

- 2013: Peruvian and South American First Editions (1584-1619)
- 2013: Travelling Registry of the Conquistadors or "Becerro Book"
- 2007: American Colonial Music: a sample of its documentary richness (Bolivia, Colombia, Mexico and Peru)

### **Memory of the World Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean (MOWLAC): 7 (As for February 2020)**

- 2018: 8 manuscritos de la obra intelectual de Ricardo Palma Soriano (1870-1904)
- 2017: Acta Fundación de Lima, 18 enero de 1853
- 2016: Gazofilacio Real del Perú, Gazophilatij Regis Perubici. Madrid, 1647 (Perú y Bolivia)
- 2016: Archivo del Registro Único de Víctimas de la violencia Política en el Perú (1980-2000) del Consejo de Reparaciones
- 2016: Archivos de la comisión de la verdad y reconciliación que testimonia la violencia política ocurrida en el Perú en los años 1980 y 2000
- 2015: Padrón de los Indios que se hallaron en la Ciudad de los Reyes del Perú (1613-1614) hecho por comisión de don Juan de Mendoza y Luna, tercer Marqués de Montesclaros y XI Virrey del Perú (1607-1615) (Perú y España)
- 2002: Memoria científica de América Andina: las expediciones e investigaciones científicas en Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador y Perú. Siglos XVIII-XIX (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Perú y España)

## 18. Creative Cities Network: 2

- 2019: Arequipa – City of Gastronomy
- 2019: Ayacucho – City of 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.	16/07/1963	Ratification
Convention against Discrimination in Education. Paris, 14 December 1960.	19/12/1966	Ratification

Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. Paris, 14 November 1970.	24/10/1979	Acceptance
Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage. Paris, 16 November 1972.	24/02/1982	Ratification
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.	22/04/1985	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.	22/04/1985	Accession
Protocol 1 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention as revised on 24 July 1971 concerning the application of that Convention to work of stateless persons and refugees. Paris, 24 July 1971.	22/04/1985	Accession
Protocol 2 annexed to the Universal Copyright Convention as revised on 24 July 1971 concerning the application of that Convention to works of certain international organizations. Paris, 24 July 1971.	22/04/1985	Accession
International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations. Rome, 26 October 1961.	07/05/1985	Accession
Convention relating to the Distribution of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite. Brussels, 21 May 1974.	07/05/1985	Accession
Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms against Unauthorized Duplication of their Phonograms. Geneva, 29 October 1971.	07/05/1985	Accession
Multilateral Convention for the Avoidance of Double Taxation of Copyright Royalties, with model bilateral agreement and additional Protocol. Madrid, 13 December 1979.	15/04/1988	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.	21/07/1989	Accession
Protocol to the Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 14 May 1954.	21/07/1989	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.	17/02/1994	Ratification
Second Protocol to the Hague Convention of 1954 for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. The Hague, 26 March 1999.	24/05/2005	Ratification
Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. Paris, 17 October 2003.	23/09/2005	Ratification
International Convention against Doping in Sport. Paris, 19 October 2005	16/10/2006	Ratification
Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions. Paris, 20 October 2005	16/10/2006	Accession
Global Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education. Paris, 25 November 2019	.../11/2020	Ratification

**20. Anniversaries with which UNESCO is associated in 2020-2021: None**

**21. Participation Programme:**

- Peru submitted a request under the Participation Programme for an amount of US\$ 26,000. This request is being implemented by the Lima Office.
- 2018-2019: 3 projects approved for a total amount of US\$ 70,000 and one emergency assistance for US\$ 40,000.
- 2016-2017: in May 2017, the Director-General approved an emergency assistance for US\$49,975, following mudslides and floods induced by the "El Niño Costero" phenomenon, which caused serious damage to educational infrastructure within the country. The Lima Office implemented this emergency assistance.

**22. UNESCO Fellowships Programme**

- Since 2010, 13 fellowships have been awarded to Peru for a total amount of US\$ 335,691.

**23. NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO:**

- Latin American and the Caribbean Committee for the Defense of Women's Rights (CLADEM)
- Latin American Federation of Associations of Communication Schools (FELAFACS)

**24. IGOs in official relations with UNESCO: 14**

- Andean Community (CAN), based in Lima
- Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), based in Singapore

- Executive Secretariat of the Andrés Bello Convention (SECAB), based in Bogotá
- Ibero-American Secretariat (SEGIB), based in Madrid
- Inter-american Development Bank (IADB), based in Washington DC
- International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), based in Lyon
- International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA), based in Stockholm
- Italian-Latin American Institute (ILAI), based in Roma
- Latin American Economic System (SELA), based in Caracas
- Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE), based in Quito
- Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLACSO), based in San José
- Latin American Physics Centre (CLAF), based in Rio de Janeiro
- Latin Union (LU), based in Paris
- Permanent Commission for the South Pacific (CPPS), based in Guayaquil

**25. Payment of assessed membership fees (as at 17 September 2021):**

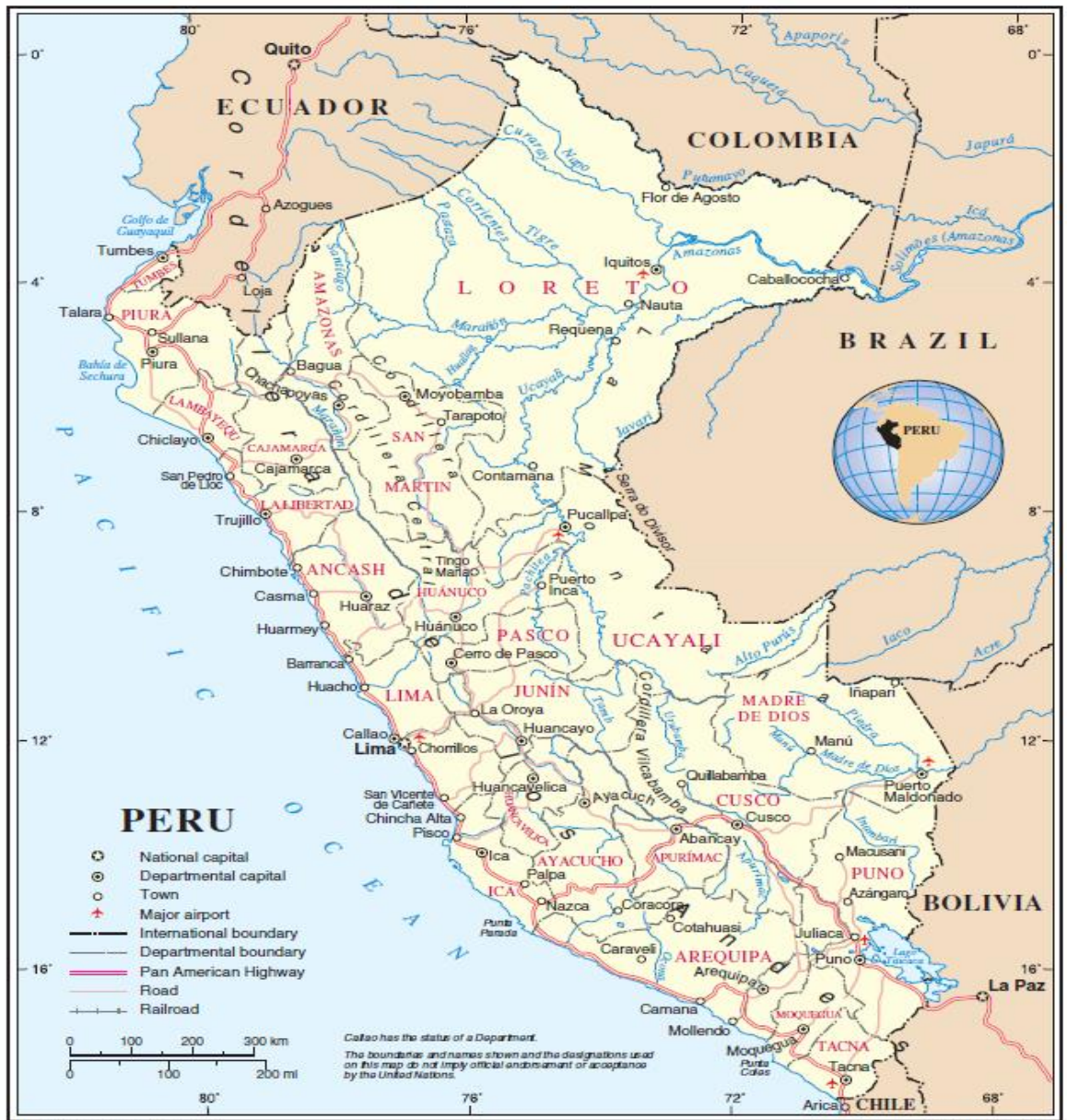
- Assessment rate for 2021: 0.196 %

**26. Representation within the Secretariat (as at 29/09/2021):** Under-represented (Max. 4; Min. 3) with 1 Professional staff in geographical posts:

- 1 International Professional Staff at Headquarters (Geographical Post)

**Young Professional Programme:** Peru, being under-represented, has been invited to submit applications for the YPP 2021, launched on 12 May 2021. The deadline for the submission of applications was 15 August 2021.

## 27. Map of Peru:



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