

## KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON THE NETHERLANDS

1. **Membership** since 1 January 1947
2. **Membership on the Executive Board:** not currently; last term: 2013-2017
3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions** (by year of end of term):
  - 2019: Presidency of the Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication
  - 2019: Intergovernmental Council for the Information for All Programme
  - 2021: Headquarters Committee
  - 2021: Intergovernmental Council of the International Hydrological programme
  - 2022: Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage
  - Permanent membership in Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
4. **Director-General's visits:** none
5. **Former Director-General's visits:** 3 (2016, 2013, 2012)
6. **Permanent Delegation:**
  - H.E. Mr Hans Carel Wesseling, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (since 12 September 2018)
  - Ms Eunice den Hoedt, Deputy Permanent Delegate (since 1 September 2018)
  - Mr Stein Van Oosteren, Attaché
  - Previous Permanent Delegate: Mr Lionel Strengart Veer, Ambassador, Permanent Delegate (2014-2018)
7. **National Commission:**
  - Creation: May 1947
  - Chairperson: Ms Andrée van Es (since October 2014)
  - Secretary-General: Ms Marielies Schelhass (since August 2015)
8. **Personalities linked to UNESCO's activities:**
  - H.R.H. Princess Laurentien, UNESCO Special Envoy on Literacy for Development
  - Ms Albana Shala, President of the Intergovernmental Council of the International Programme for the Development of Communication
9. **UNESCO Chairs:** 7
  - 2019: Chair on Futures Literacy, Hanze University of Applied Sciences, Groningen
  - 2019: Chair on Human Rights in Higher Education, Utrecht University
  - 2016: Chair on Open Education, Open University of the Netherlands
  - 2016: Chair on Open Educational Resources and their Adoption by Teachers, Learners and Institutions, Fontys University of Applied Sciences, Eindhoven
  - 2010: Chair in Social Learning and Sustainable Development, University of Wageningen
  - 2009: Chair in Knowledge Transfer for Sustainable Development Supported by ICTs, Open University of the Netherlands
  - 2007: Chair in Human Rights and Peace, University of Maastricht

**10. Associated Schools:** 35 institutions

- 1 primary, 19 secondary, 2 teacher training institutions, 10 vocational and technical institutions and 3 others
- Joined the ASP Network in 1993

**11. Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** 2

- 2017 : Institute for Water Education in Delft (agreement signed on 15 December 2017)
- 2007 : International Groundwater Resources Assessment Centre in Delft (agreement signed on 6 December 2016)

**12. UNESCO Clubs:** 1

**13. Biosphere Reserves:** 1 (Maasheggen – since 2018)

**14. Global Geoparks:** 1 (De Hondsrug – since 2015)

**15. World Heritage Sites:** 10 (9 cultural and 1 natural)

*Cultural:*

- 2014: Van Nellefabriek
- 2010: Seventeenth-century canal ring area of Amsterdam inside the Singelgracht
- 2000: Rietveld Schröderhuis (Rietveld Schröder House)
- 1998: Ir.D.F. Woudagemaal (D.F. Wouda Steam Pumping Station)
- 1999: Droogmakerij de Beemster (Beemster Polder)
- 1997: Historic Area of Willemstad, Inner City and Harbour, Curaçao
- 1997: Mill Network at Kinderdijk-Elshout
- 1996: Defence Line of Amsterdam
- 1995: Schokland and Surroundings

*Natural:*

- 2009: The Wadden Sea, jointly with Denmark and Germany

**16. World Heritage Tentative List:** 6 properties

- 2018: Frontiers of the Roman Empire – The Lower German Limes
- 2015: Koloniën van Weldadigheid (Colonies of Benevolence), jointly with Belgium
- 2011: Bonaire Marine Park
- 2011: Eise Eisinga Planetarium
- 2011: Nieuwe Hollandse Waterlinie
- 2011: Plantations in West Curaçao

**17. Intangible Heritage Representative List:** 1 element

- 2017: Craft of the miller operating windmills and watermills

**18. Memory of the World Register:** 16 inscriptions

- 2017: Philosophical Nachlass of Ludwig Wittgenstein, jointly with Austria, Canada and the United Kingdom
- 2017: Panji Tales Manuscripts, jointly with Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, and the United Kingdom
- 2017: Aletta H. Jacobs Papers, jointly with the United States of America
- 2017: The Archive of the Amsterdam Notaries 1578-1915
- 2017: Westerbork films
- 2015: Utrecht Psalter

- 2015: Selected data collections of the world's language diversity at the Language Archive
- 2013: Manifest der Kommunistischen Partei, draft manuscript page and Das Kapital. Erster Band, Karl Marx's personal annotated copy, jointly with Germany
- 2013: Babad Diponegoro or Autobiographical Chronicle of Prince Diponegoro (1785-1855). A Javanese nobleman, Indonesian national hero and pan-Islamist, jointly with Indonesia
- 2011: Archive Middelburgsche Commercie Compagnie, jointly with Curaçao and Suriname
- 2011: Desmet Collection
- 2011: Dutch West India Company (Westindische Compagnie) Archives, jointly with Brazil, Ghana, Guyana, Netherlands Antilles, Suriname, United Kingdom and United States of America
- 2011: La Galigo, jointly with Indonesia
- 2009: Diaries of Anne Frank
- 2003: Archives of the Dutch East India Company, jointly with India, Indonesia, South Africa and Sri Lanka
- 2003: Library Ets Haim - Livraria Montezinos

**19. Creative Cities:** 1 (Utrecht, City of Literature – since 2017)

**20. Legal instruments:** 29 ratified and 11 non-ratified

- Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: ratified on 15 May 2012
- Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions: ratified on 9 October 2009
- International Convention against Doping in Sport: ratified on 17 November 2006
- Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage: non-ratified

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

**22. NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO,** hosted in the country : 17

*Associate status:* 1

- International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions

*Consultative status:* 16

- Europa Nostra
- European Association of History Educators
- Global Alliance for LGBT Education
- International Association for Political Science Students
- International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement
- International Association of Students in Economics and Management
- International Fellowship of Reconciliation
- International Montessori Association
- International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation
- International School Psychology Association
- International Society of City and Regional Planners
- International Statistical Institute
- International Student Identity Card Association
- Stichting Eifl.Net
- Universal Esperanto Association
- World Youth Student and Educational Travel Confederation

*Foundations and similar institutions:* 1

- Centre for International Heritage Activities

**23. Participation Programme:** no requests submitted since 2010

**24. Fellowships:** 1 awarded for a total amount of US\$ 20,710 since 2010

**25. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2019:** paid

- Assessment rate : 1.750%
- Contributions assessed : US\$ 4,432,156

**26. Voluntary contributions (US\$):**

Year	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
<b>Total</b>	3,616,572	1,591,765	1,959,415	18,564,149	21,904,547	18,671,158	16,157,654	24,332,657

**27. Geographical distribution :** normally-represented (min. 6, max. 9), with 6 international professional staff in geographical posts (4 at Headquarters and 2 in the field).