KEY FACTS AND FIGURES ON CYPRUS / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. **Membership in UNESCO** since 6 February 1961

2. **Membership on the Executive Board**: not currently (previous term: 1987-1991)

3. **Membership on Intergovernmental Committees, Commissions** (by year of end of term):
   - 2020: Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage
   - 2019: Committee for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict
   - Permanent membership in the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (since 1979)

4. **The Director-General’s visits to Cyprus**: none

5. **The former Director-General’s visits to Cyprus**: none

6. **Permanent Delegation**:
   - Permanent Delegate: H.E. Mr Pantelakis D. Eliades, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Cyprus to France (since February 2017)
   - Staff: Ms Photini Panayi, Deputy Permanent Delegate; Mr Iacovos Giragosian, First Counsellor; Mr Nikos Panayiotes, First Secretary
   - Previous Permanent Delegates: H.E. Mr Marios Lyssiotis (2012-2016), H.E. Mr Kornelios Korneliou (2010-2011), H.E. Mr Périclès Nearkou (2002-2009)

7. **UNESCO Office**: none

8. **National Commission**: established in February 1962
   - President: Ms Loukia Hadjigavriel (since March 2006)
   - Secretary-General: Mr Pavlos Paraskevas (since November 2009)

9. **Personalities linked to UNESCO’s activities**:
   - Mr Georges Christophides, President, World Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations

10. **UNESCO Chairs**: 3
    - 2018: UNESCO Chair on Cultural Heritage, Cyprus University of Technology
    - 2009: UNESCO Chair on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment, University of Cyprus
    - 2004: UNESCO Chair on Cultural Diversity and Intercultural Dialogue for a Culture of Peace, School of Education, Intercollege, Nicosia

11. **Associated Schools**: 15 institutions (5 primary, 9 secondary and 1 teacher training institution); Cyprus joined the ASP Network in 1968.

12. **UNESCO Clubs**: 4

13. **Biosphere Reserves**: none

14. **Category 2 Institutes and Centers**: none

15. **UNESCO Global Geoparks**: 1
    - 2015: Troodos Global Geopark
16. **World Heritage Sites**: 3 cultural sites

- 1980 : Paphos
- 1985 (extension in 2001) : Painted Churches in the Troodos Region
- 1998 : Choirokoitia

17. **Tentative List**: 11 properties

- 2016 : Hala Sulatan Tekke and the Larnaka Salt Lake Complex
- 2015 : Church of Panagia Aggeloktisti
- 2004 : Agioi Varvaras and Ilarion at Peristerona (Five-domed churches)
- 2002 : Church of Panayia Chrysokourtaliotissa, Kourdali (extension to “Painted Churches in the Troodos Region”)
- 2002 : The rural settlement of Fikardou
- 2002 : Mathiastis South
- 2002 : Konia
- 2002 : Khandria
- 2002 : Troodos, Mt. Olympus
- 2002 : Malounta Bridge
- 2002 : Klirou Bridge

18. **Intangible Heritage Lists**: 4 inscriptions on the Representative List of the ICH of Humanity

- 2018 : Art of dry stone walling, knowledge and techniques, jointly with Croatia, France, Greece, Italy, Slovenia, Spain and Switzerland
- 2013 : Mediterranean Diet, jointly with Croatia, Spain, Greece, Italy, Morocco, Portugal
- 2011 : Tsiattista poetic dueling
- 2009 : Lefkara laces or Lefkaritika

19. **Memory of the World Register**: no inscription

20. **Creative Cities Network**: no appointments

21. **Legal instruments**: 23 ratified and 17 non-ratified

- Convention against Doping in Sport : ratified (8 September 2009)

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

23. **Participation Programme**:

- No projects since 2012
- 2010-2011 : 4 projects approved for a total amount of US$ 87,000
- 2009-2009 : 7 projects approved for a total amount of US$ 110.000

24. **Fellowships**: 1 fellowship for US$ 15,000

25. **NGOs in Official Partnership with UNESCO**: none

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

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27. **Payment of assessed membership fees for 2019**: unpaid

- Assessment rate: 0.046%
- Contributions assessed: US$ 114,094

28. **Representation within the Secretariat**: normally represented (min. 2, max. 4), with 2 professional staff in geographical posts at HQ: