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### INVITATIONS TO THE 31st SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

#### I. STATES

##### A. Member States and Associate Members of UNESCO

1. In accordance with Rule 6.1 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Member States and Associate Members of the Organization are notified by the Director-General that the 31st session of the General Conference will open in Paris, at UNESCO Headquarters, on Monday, 15 October 2001. It is expected to end on Saturday, 3 November 2001.

##### (a) Member States invited

Afghanistan  
Albania  
Algeria  
Andorra  
Angola  
Antigua and Barbuda  
Argentina  
Armenia  
Australia  
Austria  
Azerbaijan  
Bahamas  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Barbados  
Belarus  
Belgium  
Belize  
Benin  
Bhutan

Bolivia  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Bulgaria  
Burkina Faso  
Burundi  
Cambodia  
Cameroon  
Canada  
Cape Verde  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Chile  
China  
Colombia  
Comoros  
Congo  
Cook Islands  
Costa Rica

Côte d'Ivoire	Kuwait
Croatia	Kyrgyzstan
Cuba	Lao People's Democratic Republic
Cyprus	Latvia
Czech Republic	Lebanon
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Lesotho
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Liberia
Denmark	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Djibouti	Lithuania
Dominica	Luxembourg
Dominican Republic	Madagascar
Ecuador	Malawi
Egypt	Malaysia
El Salvador	Maldives
Equatorial Guinea	Mali
Eritrea	Malta
Estonia	Marshall Islands
Ethiopia	Mauritania
Fiji	Mauritius
Finland	Mexico
France	Micronesia, Federated States of
Gabon	Monaco
Gambia	Mongolia
Georgia	Morocco
Germany	Mozambique
Ghana	Myanmar
Greece	Namibia
Grenada	Nauru
Guatemala	Nepal
Guinea	Netherlands
Guinea-Bissau	New Zealand
Guyana	Nicaragua
Haiti	Niger
Honduras	Nigeria
Hungary	Niue
Iceland	Norway
India	Oman
Indonesia	Pakistan
Iran, Islamic Republic of	Palau
Iraq	Panama
Ireland	Papua New Guinea
Israel	Paraguay
Italy	Peru
Jamaica	Philippines
Japan	Poland
Jordan	Portugal
Kazakhstan	Qatar
Kenya	Republic of Korea
Kiribati	Republic of Moldova
	Romania

Russian Federation	Thailand
Rwanda	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Togo
Saint Lucia	Tonga
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Trinidad and Tobago
Samoa	Tunisia
San Marino	Turkey
Sao Tome and Principe	Turkmenistan
Saudi Arabia	Tuvalu
Senegal	Uganda
Seychelles	Ukraine
Sierra Leone	United Arab Emirates
Slovakia	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Slovenia	United Republic of Tanzania
Solomon Islands	Uruguay
Somalia	Uzbekistan
South Africa	Vanuatu
Spain	Venezuela
Sri Lanka	Viet Nam
Sudan	Yemen
Suriname	Yugoslavia
Swaziland	Zambia
Sweden	Zimbabwe
Switzerland	
Syrian Arab Republic	
Tajikistan	

**(b) Associate Members invited**

Aruba	Macao
British Virgin Islands	Netherlands Antilles
Cayman Islands	

**B. Non-Member States invited**

2. In accordance with Rule 6.4 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, and taking account of the relevant resolutions adopted by the General Conference at its 24th session, the following States not members of UNESCO are invited to send observers in accordance with 161 EX/Decision 6.3:

Brunei Darussalam	Singapore
Holy See	United States of America
Liechtenstein	

**II. PALESTINE**

3. In accordance with Rule 6.6 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, and in pursuance of 161 EX/Decision 6.3, Palestine is invited to send observers to the 31st session of the General Conference.

### **III. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **A. United Nations, and bodies and programmes and specialized agencies of the United Nations system**

4. In accordance with Rule 6, paragraph 2, of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, the Director-General will notify the following organizations of the convening of the session and invite them to send representatives:

##### **(a) United Nations, bodies and programmes**

United Nations

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)  
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)  
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  
United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)  
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)  
United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)  
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)  
United Nations University (UNU)  
World Food Programme (WFP)  
Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)  
Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)  
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)  
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)  
Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)  
United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)  
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Office of the (UNHCR)  
Office of Drug Control and Crime Prevention (ODCCP)  
Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD)  
Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity

##### **(b) Specialized agencies of the United Nations system**

International Labour Organization (ILO)  
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)  
International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)  
World Health Organization (WHO)  
World Bank  
International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
Universal Postal Union (UPU)  
International Telecommunication Union (ITU)  
World Meteorological Organization (WMO)  
International Maritime Organization (IMO)  
World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)  
International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)  
United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)  
World Trade Organization (WTO)

## **B. Intergovernmental organizations**

5. In accordance with Rule 6, paragraph 3, of the Rules of Procedure, the Director-General will notify the following organizations and invite them to send observers:

**(a) Intergovernmental organizations with which UNESCO has concluded an agreement providing for mutual representation at meetings of governing bodies<sup>1</sup>**

African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP)  
African Development Bank (AfDB)  
African Centre for Applied Research and Training in Social Development (ACARTSOD)  
African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)  
Andean Parliament  
Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA)  
Arab Bureau of Education for the Gulf States (ABEGS)  
Arab Centre for the Studies of Arid Zones and Dry Lands (ACSAD)  
Arab Federation for Technical Education (AFTE)  
Arab Gulf Programme for United Nations Development Organizations (AGFUND)  
Arab Gulf States Folklore Centre  
Arab Gulf States Information Documentation Centre (AGSIDC)  
Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO)  
Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)  
Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU)  
Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)  
Caribbean Community Secretariat (CARICOM)  
Central African Customs and Economic Union (CACEU)  
Central American Educational and Cultural Coordination (CECC)  
Central American Integration System (SICA)  
Commission of the European Communities (CEC)  
Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries (CPLP)  
Commonwealth of Learning (COL)  
Commonwealth Secretariat  
Conference of Ministers of Education of French-Speaking Countries (CONFEMEN)  
Conference of Ministers of Youth and Sport of French-Speaking Countries (CONFEJES)  
Council of Europe (CE)  
Eastern African Centre for Research on Oral Traditions and African National Languages (EACROTANAL)  
Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries (CEPGL)  
Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)  
Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)  
European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)

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<sup>1</sup> The Director-General will also invite any intergovernmental organization with which he may be authorized to conclude an agreement by the Executive Board at its 162nd session.

Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils (FASRC)  
Gulf Organization for Industrial Consulting (GOIC)  
Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)  
International Bureau of Weights and Measures (BIPM)  
International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (ICAMAS)  
International Centre for Agriculture and Biosciences (CABI)  
International Centre for the Bantu Civilizations (CICIBA)  
International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE)  
International Centre for Public Enterprises (ICPE)  
International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)  
International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT)  
International Organization of the Francophonie (OIF)  
International Organization of Legal Metrology (OIML)  
Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)  
Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO)  
Islamic States Broadcasting Organization (ISBO)  
Italian-Latin American Institute (ILAI)  
Joint Administration of the Turkic Culture and Arts (TURKSOY)  
Latin American Centre for Physics (CLAF)  
Latin American Economic System (SELA)  
Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLACSO)  
Latin American Parliament  
Latin Union  
League of Arab States (LAS)  
Organization of African Unity (OAU)/The African Union (AU)  
Organization of American States (OAS)  
Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)  
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)  
Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture (OEI)  
Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)  
Pan-African Telecommunications Union (PATU)  
Permanent Executive Secretariat of the “Andrés Bello” Convention (SECAB)  
Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS)  
Regional Council for Adult Education and Literacy in Africa (CREAA)  
Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture (IRCICA)  
Southern African Development Community (SADC)  
South-East Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO)  
South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC)  
Supreme Council for Sport in Africa (SCSA)  
University for Peace  
World Customs Organization (WCO)  
World Tourism Organization (WTO)

**(b) Other intergovernmental organizations**

African Bureau of Educational Sciences (BASE)  
African Institute of Informatics (IAI)  
African Regional Centre for Engineering Design and Manufacturing (ARCEDEM)  
African Regional Organization for Standardization (ARSO)  
Afro-Asian Rural Reconstruction Organization (AARRO)  
Arab Administrative Development Organization (ARADO)

Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD)  
 Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO)  
 Arab Labour Organization (ALO)  
 Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)  
 Arab Postal Union (APU)  
 Arab Satellite Communications Organization (ARABSAT)  
 Arab Telecommunication Union (ATU)  
 Asian Development Bank (AsDB)  
 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)  
 Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST)  
 Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)  
 Cartagena Agreement Board (JUNAC)  
 Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)  
 Colombo Plan Bureau  
 Committee for Coordination of Joint Prospecting for Mineral Resources in Asian  
 Offshore Areas (CCOP)  
 Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)  
 Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC)  
 Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU)  
 Danube Commission  
 Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)  
 European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)  
 European Space Agency (ESA)  
 Forum Secretariat (South Pacific Bureau for Economic Cooperation (SPEC))  
 Inter-American Children's Institute (IIN)  
 Inter-American Commission of Women (IACW)  
 Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)  
 Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)  
 International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural  
 Property (ICCROM)  
 International Commission for the Scientific Exploration of the Mediterranean Sea  
 (ICSEM)  
 International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)  
 International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)  
 International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (International  
 IDEA)  
 International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)  
 International Mobile Satellite Organization (INMARSAT)  
 International Organization for Migration (IOM)  
 International Organization of Space Communications (INTERSPUTNIK)  
 International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (INTELSAT)  
 Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchange (ICCICE)  
 Lake Chad Basin Commission (LCBC)  
 Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE)  
 Latin American Institute for Educational Communication (ILCE)  
 Nordic Council  
 OPEC Fund for International Development (OPEC Fund)  
 Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)  
 Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)  
 Permanent Commission for the South Pacific (CPPS)

Permanent Secretariat of the General Treaty on Central American Economic Integration (SIECA)  
Regional Centre for Book Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (CERLALC)  
Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME)  
Sahara and Sahel Observatory (OSS) (under signature)  
Senegal River Development Organization (OMVS)  
South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)  
South Pacific Commission (SPC)  
South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)  
University of the South Pacific (USP)

**(c) Organizations having observer status**

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)  
The Sovereign Order of Malta

**C. International non-governmental organizations, foundations and similar institutions**

6. In accordance with Rule 6, paragraph 7, of the Rules of Procedure and Section I.8.1 of the “Directives concerning UNESCO’s relations with non-governmental organizations” the Director-General will notify organizations maintaining formal (consultative or associate) relations with UNESCO of the convening of the session and invite them to send observers.

7. In accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure, with Section II, paragraph 4.1(b), of the Directives concerning UNESCO’s relations with non-governmental organizations, and with Article IV, 2, of the Directives concerning UNESCO’s relations with foundations and similar institutions, the Director-General will notify the international non-governmental organizations maintaining operational relations with UNESCO and the foundations and similar institutions maintaining official relations with the Organization of the provisions concerning their participation as observers at the General Conference, and will request them to inform him at least one month before the opening of the session of the agenda items under which their representatives wish to participate in the debate.

**D. Other international organizations with which UNESCO has concluded an agreement providing for mutual representation**

Inter-Parliamentary Union

8. In the event that other international non-governmental or semi-governmental organizations should request admission, in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure, as observers at the 31st session of the General Conference, their request will be brought to the attention of the Executive Board at its 162nd session.

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Page 3: list of Associate Members invited.

“Macao” should read “Macao, China”.