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INVITATIONS TO THE 35th 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 35th session of the General Conference will open in Paris, at UNESCO Headquarters, on Tuesday, 6 October 2009. It is expected to end on Friday, 23 October 2009. The Director-General will also notify any State that becomes a member of UNESCO by depositing an instrument of acceptance of the Constitution and signing it before the 35th session.

(a) Member States invited

Afghanistan	Belize
Albania	Benin
Algeria	Bhutan
Andorra	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
Angola	Bosnia and Herzegovina
Antigua and Barbuda	Botswana
Argentina	Brazil
Armenia	Brunei Darussalam
Australia	Bulgaria
Austria	Burkina Faso
Azerbaijan	Burundi
Bahamas	Cambodia
Bahrain	Cameroon
Bangladesh	Canada
Barbados	Cape Verde
Belarus	Central African Republic
Belgium	Chad

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

Samoa	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
San Marino	Timor-Leste
Sao Tome and Principe	Togo
Saudi Arabia	Tonga
Senegal	Trinidad and Tobago
Serbia	Tunisia
Seychelles	Turkey
Sierra Leone	Turkmenistan
Singapore	Tuvalu
Slovakia	Uganda
Slovenia	Ukraine
Solomon Islands	United Arab Emirates
Somalia	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
South Africa	United Republic of Tanzania
Spain	United States of America
Sri Lanka	Uruguay
Sudan	Uzbekistan
Suriname	Vanuatu
Swaziland	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Sweden	Viet Nam
Switzerland	Yemen
Syrian Arab Republic	Zambia
Tajikistan	Zimbabwe
Thailand	

(b) Associate Members invited

Aruba
British Virgin Islands
Cayman Islands
Macao, China
Netherlands Antilles
Tokelau

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 181 EX/Decision 32, adopted by the Executive Board at its 181st session:

Holy See
Liechtenstein

II. PALESTINE

3. In accordance with Rule 6.6 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Conference, and in pursuance of 181 EX/32, adopted by the Executive Board at its 181st session, Palestine is invited to send observers to the 35th session of the General Conference.

III. INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

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

4. In accordance with Rule 6.2 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

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN-ESCWA)
Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity
Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD)
United Nations
United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (UN-Habitat)
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 Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR)
United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR)
United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI)
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)
United Nations University (UNU)
World Food Programme (WFP)

(b) Specialized Agencies of the United Nations system

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

B. Intergovernmental organizations

5. In accordance with Rule 6.3 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 bodies¹

African Centre for Applied Research and Training in Social Development (ACARTSOD)
 African Development Bank (ADB)
 African Union (AU)
 African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP Group)
 Amazonian Parliament
 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 League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO)
 Arab Maghreb Union (AMU)
 Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD)
 Arab States Broadcasting Union (ASBU)
 Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN)
 Caribbean Community Secretariat (CARICOM)
 Central African Economic and Monetary Community (CEMAC)
 Central American Educational and Cultural Coordination (CECC)
 Central American Integration System (SICA)
 Central American Parliament (PARLACEN)
 Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)
 Commonwealth of Learning (COL)
 Commonwealth Secretariat
 Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries (CPLP)
 Community of Sahel-Saharan States (CEN-SAD)
 Conference of Ministers of Education of French-Speaking Countries (CONFEMEN)
 Conference of Ministers of Youth and Sport of French-Speaking Countries (CONFESJES)
 Council of Europe (CoE)
 East African Community (EAC)
 Eastern African Centre for Research on Oral Traditions and African National Languages (EACROTANAL)
 Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)
 Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries (CEPGL)
 Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)
 Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO)
 European Commission
 European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)
 Executive Secretariat of the Andrés Bello Convention (SECAB)
 Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils (FASRC)
 Gulf Organization for Industrial Consulting (GOIC)
 Gulf States Information Documentation Centre (GSIDC)
 Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)
 Intergovernmental Television and Radio Corporation (ITRC MIR)

¹ 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 182nd session.

International Bureau of Weights and Measures (BIPM)
International Centre for Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (ICAMAS)
International Centre for Agriculture and Biosciences (CAB International)
International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB)
International Centre for Promotion of Enterprises (ICET)
International Centre for the Bantu Civilizations (CICIBA)
International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE)
International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL)
International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT)
International Organization of Legal Metrology (OIML)
International Organization of the Francophonie
Islamic Development Bank (IDB)
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)
Joint Institute for Nuclear Research (JINR)
Latin American Centre of Physics (CLAF)
Latin American Economic System (SELA)
Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLACSO)
Latin American Parliament (PARLATINO)
Latin Union (UL)
League of Arab States (LAS)
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
Organization of American States (OAS)
Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)
Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture (OEI)
Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC)
Pacific Islands Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC)
Pan-African Telecommunications Union (PATU)
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)
Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC)
South-East Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO)
Southern African Development Community (SADC)
Supreme Council for Sport in Africa (SCSA)
University for Peace (UPEACE)
West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)
World Customs Organization (WCO)

(b) Other intergovernmental organizations

African Academy of Languages (ACALAN)
African Institute of Informatics (IAI)
African Regional Centre for Engineering Design and Manufacturing (ARCEDEM)
African Regional Organization for Standardization (ARSO)
Afro-Asian Rural Development Organization (AARDO)
Andean Community (CAN)
Arab Administrative Development Organization (ARADO)
Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD)
Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO)
Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union (AIPU)
Arab Labour Organization (ALO)
Arab Postal Union (APU)
Arab Satellite Communications Organization (ARABSAT)

Arab Telecommunication Union (ATU)
 ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Organization (AIPO)
 Asian Development Bank (ADB)
 Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO)
 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)
 Association of Caribbean States (ACS)
 Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST)
 Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)
 Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI)
 Colombo Plan for Cooperative Economic and Social Development in Asia and the Pacific
 Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
 Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)
 Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC)
 Coordinating Committee for Coastal and Offshore Geoscience Programmes in East
 and South-East Asia (CCOP)
 Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU)
 Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS)
 Danube Commission (DC)
 Eurasian Economic Community (EURASEC)
 European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
 European Parliament (EP)
 European Space Agency (ESA)
 Forum Secretariat
 Ibero-American General Secretariat (SEGIB)
 Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)
 Inter-American Children's Institute (IIN)
 Inter-American Commission of Women (IACW)
 Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)
 Intergovernmental Foundation for Educational, Scientific and Cultural
 Cooperation (IFESCCO)
 International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural
 Property (ICCROM)
 International Commission for the Scientific Exploration of the Mediterranean Sea (CIESM)
 International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES)
 International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
 International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA)
 International Institute of Refrigeration (IIR)
 International Organization for Migration (IOM)
 International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
 International Organization of Space Communications (INTERSPUTNIK)
 International Telecommunications Satellite Organization (ITSO)
 Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI)
 Lake Chad Basin Commission (LCBC)
 Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE)
 Latin American Institute for Educational Communication (ILCE)
 Nordic Council (NC)
 OPEC Fund for International Development (OPEC Fund)
 Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)
 Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC)
 Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)
 Pan-African Institute of Education for Development (PIED)
 Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO)
 Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
 Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation
 in Europe (OSCE PA)
 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)
Secretariat of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS)
Secretariat of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)
Senegal River Development Organization (OMVS)
South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)
University of the South Pacific (USP)

(c) Organizations having observer status

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

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

6. In accordance with the provisions of Article IV, paragraph 14, of the Constitution, Rule 6.7 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 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, Section II, paragraph 4.1(b), of the Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with non-governmental organizations and Article IV, paragraph 2, of the Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with foundations and similar institutions, the Director-General will notify the 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
Parliamentary Assembly of the Francophonie (APF)
United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)

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 35th session of the General Conference, their request will be brought to the attention of the Executive Board at its 182nd session.