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UNESCO

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WHAT IS UNESCO?

- The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization is a specialized agency of the United Nations aimed at promoting world peace and security through international cooperation in education, the sciences, and culture.



CREATION OF UNESCO

- UNESCO has its origins in a series of efforts, made since the beginning of the 20th century, especially after the First World War, to establish international cooperation in order to ensure peace. UNESCO was established on November 4th, 1946 as a specialized agency of the UN. Its 1st General Conference was held on November 19th, 1946 in Paris.
- Following the signing of the Atlantic Charter and the United Nations Declaration, the Allies' Conference of Ministers for Education began meetings in London from November 16, 1942 to December 5, 1945. As historical factors shaped the activities of the organization.



UNESCO MISSION

- Today, the main tasks that UNESCO sets itself and the institutions under its auspices including: activities for the development of science, care for the development of culture and protection of cultural heritage. Supporting activities aimed at the development and dissemination of education, considering the care of its high level, and finally promoting freedom of speech in the world as one of the pillars of political, psychological and socio-civic freedom of man.



UNESCO LIST

- The list includes objects under special protection of the international UNESCO organization due to their unique cultural or natural value for humanity.
- In June 2009, the list included 890 sites in 148 countries, including 689 sites of cultural heritage, 176 natural heritage sites and 25 mixed heritage sites.



UNESCO – SOME OF THE WONDERS OF THE WORLD

- Göreme National Park in Turkish Cappadocia
- Plitvice Lakes National Park in Croatia
- Canaima National Park in Venezuela
- Phong Nha-Kẻ Bàng National Park in the northern part of Vietnam
- Hạ Long Bay in the northern part of Vietnam



UNESCO - POLAND

- Poland has been a member of UNESCO almost from the beginning of the organization's existence, since November 6, 1946. For many years, the Polish name of UNESCO functioned as the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Organizacji Narodów Zjednoczonych ds. Oświaty, Nauki i Kultury), although for some time the Polish UNESCO Committee has recommended the use of the formula: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Organizacja Narodów Zjednoczonych dla Wychowania, Nauki i Kultury) as the Polish name. This formula appears in the current UNESCO Polska graphic logo.

POLISH OBJECTS INCLUDED ON THE UNESCO LIST

- Historic center of Krakow
- The historic salt mine in Wieliczka
- Auschwitz-Birkenau. German nazi concentration and extermination camp
- Białowieża Primeval Forest
- Historic center of Warsaw
- The Old Town in Zamość - an example of Renaissance urban development
- Medieval town complex of Toruń
- Teutonic Castle in Malbork
- Kalwaria Zebrzydowska: a mannerist architectural and landscape complex and a pilgrimage park from the 17th century.
- Churches of Peace in Jawor and Świdnica
- Wooden churches of southern Lesser Poland - Binarowa, Blizne, Dębno Podhalańskie, Haczów, Lipnica Dolna, Sękowa
- Muskauer Park on the Nysa River
- Hala Stulecia (Hala Ludowa) in Wrocław



DICTIONARY

- international cooperation - Współpraca międzynarodowa
- cultural heritage - dziedzictwo kulturowe
- dissemination - rozpowszechnianie
- socio-civic freedom - wolność społeczno-obywatelska
- Auspices - patronaty





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