

The Country Action Plan of Turkmenistan for 2021-2023 on cooperation with UNESCO

No.	Event	Mechanism	Terms of implementation
2021			
1.	Organizing of the visit of the Director of the UNESCO Cluster office in Tehran in order to discuss the next steps on developing cooperation between Turkmenistan and UNESCO, particularly scheduled actions for 2021		2021
2.	Participation in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network	<p>1. UNESCO's Secretariat will provide technical support and guidance to the authorities of Turkmenistan in the preparation of applications for the designation of Turkmen cities as UNESCO Creative Cities</p> <p>2. Collaboration between the two parties in different fields at the nexus of culture, creativity and cities will be explored, particularly through the organization of conference, workshops or awareness-raising activity</p>	March-December 2021
3.	Implementation of the UNESCO 2005 Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions	UNESCO's Secretariat will support Turkmenistan's authorities and civil society organizations in the design and implementation of cultural policies that promote the diversity of cultural expressions and the development of a dynamic local creative sector	2021
4.	Implementation of the UNESCO	1. UNESCO's Secretariat will support the organization	2021

	1972 World Heritage Convention	<p>of a national capacity-building workshop targeting relevant stakeholders from the heritage properties in Turkmenistan inscribed on the World Heritage List and its Tentative List</p> <p>2. UNESCO's Secretariat will support Turkmenistan in the context of the Periodic Reporting process for the Asia and the Pacific region</p> <p>3. UNESCO's Secretariat, in the framework of the UNESCO World Heritage Earthen Architecture Programme, will support the organization of a Regional capacity building workshop on the conservation and management of earthen heritage structures</p> <p>4. UNESCO's Secretariat, in the framework of the UNESCO World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism Programme, will support the organization of a national capacity-building workshop on sustainable tourism management and heritage conservation</p> <p>5. UNESCO's Secretariat, through the Silk Roads World Heritage nomination project, will provide upstream support for the harmonization of its Tentative List and potential heritage corridor nomination(s), in collaboration with other State Parties in Central Asia</p>	
5.	Implementation of the UNESCO 1970 Convention on the fight against the illicit trafficking of cultural property	1. UNESCO's Secretariat will organize a national workshop (online or in presential depending on the global health situation) aimed at explaining to national authorities the existing tools/mechanisms and	2021

		<p>preventive measures in fighting the illicit trafficking of cultural property in cooperation with UNESCO's key technical partners INTERPOL, UNODC, WCO, ICOM and UNIDROIT</p> <p>2. With a view to promote the ratification of the 1970 Convention, UNESCO's Secretariat will liaise with Turkmen authorities and provide continuous technical and legal assistance in this regard</p> <p>3. UNESCO's Secretariat will participate at a regional conference aimed at examining regional priorities regarding illicit trafficking of cultural property in the framework of the celebration of 50th anniversary of the 1970 Convention.</p>	
6.	Implementation of the UNESCO 2015 Recommendation concerning the Protection and Promotion of Museums and Collections	UNESCO's Secretariat will support the organization of a national capacity building workshop on disaster risk management at museums	2021
7.	Organization of the presentation and training on project "Microscience Kits" as well as its management for teachers and pupils of secondary schools of Ashgabat and other regions of Turkmenistan	<p>1. Working out the dates of the visit based on the schedule of the Representatives of Division of Science Policy and Capacity building</p> <p>2. Preparing the programme and agenda of the visit</p> <p>3. Organization of the visit, presentation and training</p>	September-October 2021
8.	Organize a visit of the Assistant Director-General for Social and		2021

	Human Sciences of UNESCO to Turkmenistan to discuss overall cooperation on SHS related agendas.		
9.	Further development of the cooperation between Turkmenistan and UNESCO on Sport	<p>Active participation in conducting UNESCO capacity building initiatives focusing on the field of sport, physical education, promotion of healthy lifestyle and anti-doping policy.</p> <p>Participation of Turkmenistan in the work of CIGEPS as «observer Member States».</p> <p>Organizing the visit of the Director of the Sport and Youth Unit, Secretary of CIGEPS of UNESCO to Turkmenistan.</p> <p>Participation of the High-Level Delegation of Turkmenistan to the MINEPS VII Conference, in June 2021, hosted by Kenya</p>	2021
10.	Conduct UNESCO capacity building initiatives focusing on the respect for cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue, namely the intercultural competencies multi-stakeholder training and the Master Class against Racism and Discriminations	<p>Organization of a three-day workshop on intercultural dialogue and culture of peace to foster mutual understanding as a means of overcoming conflict, sustaining peace, and contributing to inclusive development for teachers and representatives of government and local communities including</p> <p>1. Training on the development of intercultural competencies based on the UNESCO tools “Story Circles” and “Writing Peace”</p>	2021

11.	Participation of the High-Level Delegation of Turkmenistan in the 41st Session of the UNESCO General Conference in Paris		November, 2021
12.	Participation of the Delegation of Turkmenistan in the Interregional Meeting of National Commissions for UNESCO		December 2021
13.	Opening of UNESCO Chairs at the high education institutes of Turkmenistan	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify a topic of strategic priority, in close consultation with UNESCO and Teheran office 2. Preparation of relevant documentation 3. Submission of an application to the Secretariat of UNESCO Chairs 	2021
14.	Undertaking of necessary work on inclusion of the secondary schools of Ashgabat, Anev, Balkanabat, Dashoguz, Mary and Turkmenabat cities of Turkmenistan into the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Preparation of relevant documentation for the nomination through the National Commission and the ASPnet National Coordinator 2. Submission of an application to the Secretariat of the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO 	2021
15.	Implementation of the UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage	1. UNESCO's Secretariat will provide technical support and guidance to reinforce the country's implementation of the 2003 Convention on activities such as capacity-building workshops on community-based inventorying,	December 2021

		<p>the development of intangible cultural heritage safeguarding plans and the preparation of nomination files, as well as strategic actions on cross-cutting themes related to intangible cultural heritage and education and intangible cultural heritage and sustainable development</p> <p>2.UNESCO's Secretariat will provide technical support and the guidance to the organization of a national capacity-building workshop on community-based inventorying in cooperation with the UNESCO Cluster Office in Teheran</p>	
16.	Implementation and monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals in Turkmenistan, particularly the Goal 4 - to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all - jointly with UNESCO	Under the UN Partnership Development Framework Programme for Turkmenistan, identify thematic area to strengthen the implementation of SDG 4	2021
2022			
1.	Organizing of the visit of the Director of the UNESCO Cluster office in Tehran in order to discuss the next steps on developing		January 2022

	cooperation between Turkmenistan and UNESCO, particularly implemented points for 2021 and 2022		
2.	In order to establish and develop cooperation in field of water management and to discuss possible projects between Turkmenistan and UNESCO, organization of the visit of Director of Division of Water Sciences, Secretary of the Intergovernmental Hydrological Programme (IHP). These may include water cooperation.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Working out the dates of the visit based on the schedule of the Director of Division of Water Sciences 2. Formation of a visit program and agenda for negotiations 3. Organization of the visit 	March-April 2022
3.	Cooperation on an establishment of a potential Transboundary Biosphere Reserve in the Lower Amu Darya basin		2022
4.	Implementation of the UNESCO 2005 Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions	UNESCO's Secretariat will support Turkmenistan's authorities and civil society organizations in the design and implementation of cultural policies that promote the diversity of cultural expressions and the development of a dynamic local creative sector	2022
5.	Exhibition of paintings and	1. Joint determination of the dates of the event	2022

	<p>archeological heritage of the Great Silk Road countries in Turkmenistan</p> <p>Exhibition of the Best photos submitted to the 2nd and 3rd editions of the “Youth Eyes on the Silk Roads Photo Contest”</p>	<p>2. Formation of the Exhibition program and list of participants</p> <p>3. Distribution of invitations</p> <p>4. Holding of the Exhibition</p>	
6.	<p>Implementation and monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals in Turkmenistan, particularly the Goal 4 - to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all jointly with UNESCO</p>	<p>Under the UN Partnership Development Framework Programme for Turkmenistan, continue cooperation in the thematic area to strengthen the implementation of SDG 4</p>	2022
7.	<p>Organization of the visit of the Director of UNESCO Institute for Information Technologies in Education (IITE) to Turkmenistan</p>	<p>1. Working out the dates of the visit based on the schedule of the Director of UNESCO IITE</p> <p>2. Formation of the program of the visit and agenda for negotiations</p> <p>3. Organization of the visit</p>	2022
8.	<p>Organization of the visit of the Director and representatives of the Division of Science Policy and Capacity building of UNESCO to</p>	<p>1. Working out the dates of the visit based on the schedule of the Director of Division of Science Policy and Capacity building of UNESCO</p> <p>2. Formation of the program of the visit and agenda for</p>	2022

	Turkmenistan	negotiations 3. Organization of the visit	
9.	Organization of the Exhibition of Turkmen Carpets and Craft Arts at UNESCO Headquarters	1. Joint determination of the dates of the event 2. Preparing of the programme of the Opening ceremony of the Exhibition and list of participants 3. Achieving of participation of High-Level representatives from UNESCO and Turkmenistan at the opening ceremony 4. Distribution of invitations 5. Holding of the Exhibition	2022
10.	Undertaking of necessary work on inclusion of secondary schools of Ashgabat, Gokdepe, Turkmenbashi, Koneurgench, Kerki and Shatlyk cities of Turkmenistan into the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO	1. Preparation of relevant documentation for the nomination 2. Submission of an application to the Secretariat of the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO	2022
11.	Implementation of the UNESCO 1972 World Heritage Convention	1. UNESCO's Secretariat will support the establishment of a consultative mechanism to enhance the management and conservation of World Heritage	2022

		<p>properties in Turkmenistan</p> <p>2. In the context of the UNESCO World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism Programme, UNESCO's Secretariat will support the Ministry of Culture of Turkmenistan in the organization of capacity-building initiatives targeting specialized Silk Roads tour guides</p>	
12.	<p>Organization of the "UNESCO week" at the secondary schools of Turkmenistan joined to the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO, in order to familiarize teachers and pupils with functions and objectives of UNESCO</p>	<p>1. Joint determination of the dates of events</p> <p>2. Developing of concept and programme of events</p> <p>Holding of events</p>	2022
2023			
1.	<p>Organizing of the visit of the Director of the UNESCO Cluster office in Tehran in order to discuss the next steps on developing cooperation between Turkmenistan and UNESCO, particularly implemented points 2022 and 2023</p>		2023
2.	<p>Implementation of the UNESCO 1972 World Heritage Convention</p>	<p>1. UNESCO's Secretariat will support, in the context of the UNESCO World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism</p>	2nd and 3rd quarter 2023

		<p>Programme, the organization of a Tourism Forum with the participation of tourist companies from the Great Silk Road countries</p> <p>2. UNESCO's Secretariat will support the organization of a Meeting of the Coordinating Committee of the Silk Roads Serial World Heritage Nomination</p>	
3.	Implementation of the UNESCO 2005 Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions	UNESCO's Secretariat will support Turkmenistan's authorities and civil society organizations in the design and implementation of cultural policies that promote the diversity of cultural expressions and the development of a dynamic local creative sector	2023
4.	Lecture of the Assistant Director-General of UNESCO for Priority Africa and External Relations for students of the Institute of International relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan, International University of Humanity and Development	<p>1. Working out the dates of the visit based on the schedule of the ADG</p> <p>2. Formation of a program and agenda</p> <p>3. Organization of the Lecture</p>	February-March 2023
5.	Organizing of the Concert of Turkmen national and modern singers at the UNESCO Headquarters	<p>1. Joint determination of the dates of the event</p> <p>2. Formation of a list of participants</p> <p>3. Distribution of invitations</p> <p>4. Holding of the Concert</p>	2023
6.	Undertaking of necessary work on	1. Preparation of relevant documentation for the	2nd quarter

	inclusion of secondary schools of Ashgabat, Kaka, Serdar, Gorogly, Bairamaly and Turkmenabat cities of Turkmenistan into the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO	nomination 2. Submission of an application to the Secretariat of the International Network of Associated Schools of UNESCO	2023
7.	Participation in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network	1. UNESCO's Secretariat will provide technical support and guidance to the authorities of Turkmenistan in the preparation of applications for the designation of Turkmen cities as UNESCO Creative Cities 2. Collaboration between the two parties in different fields at the nexus of culture, creativity and cities will be explored, particularly through the organization of conference, workshops or awareness-raising activities	March-December 2023
8.	Master class on «Culinary specialties of the Turkmen National Dishes» at the UNESCO Headquarters	1. Joint determination of the dates of the event 2. Distribution of invitations 3. Holding of the event	2023
9.	Holding the International Conference in Turkmenistan, dedicated 30th Anniversary of establishing bilateral relations between Turkmenistan and UNESCO	1. Joint determination of the dates of the event 2. Development of a conference concept 3. Formation of the list of participants 4. Distribution of invitations	January 2023 March 2023 April 2023 3th quarter of 2023

		5. Holding of the event	
10.	Participation of the High-Level Delegation of Turkmenistan in the 42nd Session of the UNESCO General Conference		November 2023
11.	Statement of the Head of the Delegation of Turkmenistan on the achievements of our country during the 30 Years of cooperation with UNESCO at the 42nd Session of the UNESCO General Conference		November 2023
12.	Organization a reception on the occasion of the 30th Anniversary of establishing bilateral relations between Turkmenistan and UNESCO		November 2023
13.	Implementation of the UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage	UNESCO's Secretariat will provide technical support and guidance to reinforce the country's implementation of the 2003 Convention on activities such as capacity-building workshops on community-based inventorying, the development of intangible cultural heritage safeguarding plans and the preparation of periodic reports in view of the regional reporting cycle of 2024	December 2023

		for the Asia and the Pacific region, as well as strategic actions on cross-cutting themes related to intangible cultural heritage and education and intangible cultural heritage and sustainable development	
14.	Participation of the Delegation of Turkmenistan in the Interregional Meeting of National Commissions for UNESCO		December 2023