I. COUNTRY PROFILE

Political system
- Barbados is a parliamentary democracy (House of Assembly) under a constitutional monarchy; a Commonwealth realm.
- Chief of State: Queen ELIZABETH II (since 30 November 1966); represented by Governor-General Sandra Mason (since 8 January 2018);
- Prime Minister: H.E. Mia Mottley (since 25 May 2018);
- Cabinet: Ministers chosen by the Prime Minister and appointed by the Governor-General agreement.

Statistical figures (source: UNDP Human Development Report 2020)
- Total population (million): 0.3
- Human Development Index: 0.814 / Rang 58
- Life expectancy at birth (years): 79.2
- Gross national income (GNI) per capita (2017 PPP$): 14,936
- Internet users (% of population): 81.8
- Carbon dioxide emissions per capita (tonnes): 4.5

Education (source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics)
- Compulsory education (years): 11 (from age 5 to 15)
- Net enrolment ratio in primary education (%): 96.7

II. BARBADOS / UNESCO COOPERATION

1. Membership in UNESCO: Since 4 November 1946


3. Current Membership on Intergovernmental Councils/Committees and Commissions:
   - Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, IOC

4. DG´s visit to Barbados: none to date

5. Former Director Generals’ visit to Barbados: 1 (Irina Bokova, in June 2012)

6. Permanent Delegation to UNESCO: located in Brussel (Belgium)
   - Mr Nicholas Cox, First Secretary, Chargé d'Affaires a.i
   - Previous First Secretary: Ms Joyce Grazette, First Secretary, Chargé d’Affaires

7. UNESCO Office: none, Barbados is covered by the UNESCO Cluster Office in Kingston. Ms Saadia Sanchez.
   - Chairperson Ms Allisandra Cummins
   - Secretary-General Ms Joycelyn Sealy
8. **Personalities linked to UNESCO’s activities:** none

9. **UNESCO Chairs:** none

10. **Associated Schools:** 10
    - 7 Primary and 3 Secondary

11. **Category 2 Institutes and Centres:** none

12. **UNESCO Clubs:** none

13. **Biosphere Reserves:** 1

14. **UNESCO Global Geoparks:** none

15. **World Heritage Sites:** 1
    Historic Bridgetown and its Garrison (2011)

16. **Tentative List:** 2
    - The Scotland District of Barbados (2005)
    - The Industrial Heritage of Barbados: The Story of Sugar and Rum (2014)

17. **Intangible Cultural Heritage List:** none

18. **Memory of the World Register:** 6
    - 2017: An African Song or Chant from Barbados (with the United Kingdom)
    - 2015: The West Indian Commission Papers
    - 2011: Silver Men: West Indian Labourers at the Panama Canal
    - 2009: Nita Barrow Collection
    - 2009: Federal Archives Fonds
    - 2003: Documentary Heritage of Enslaved Peoples of the Caribbean

19. **Creative Cities Network:** none

20. **UNESCO’s standard-setting instruments:**

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21. **Anniversaries with which UNESCO was associated:** none

22. **NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO:** none

23. **IGOs in official relations with UNESCO:** 1
   - Caribbean Development Bank (a regional organization)

24. **Representation** within the Secretariat (as at 19/01/2021):
   - Total number of staff members: 2