



Excellencies, dear colleagues,

I am thrilled to embark on this journey of transparency and information with you. My intention with this publication is to provide you with insightful updates on my activities, while also serving as a vital accountability tool. I believe in the strength of open communication and in the commitment to keeping Member States informed every step of the way.

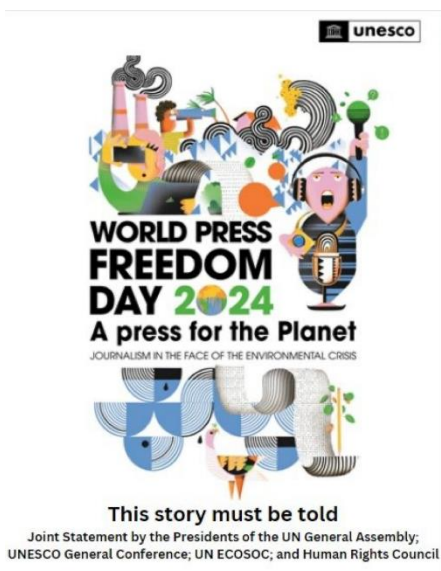
Thank you for joining me in this important endeavor.

Amb. Simona-Mirela Miculescu

President of the 42nd session of the General Conference

Advocacy Spotlight

Positioning UNESCO's mandate at the centre of the UN



At the initiative of the President of the General Conference of UNESCO, H.E. Amb. Francis Dennis, President of the UN General Assembly, H.E. Amb. Paula Narváez, President of Economic and Social Council and H.E. Amb. Omar Zniber, President of UN Human Rights Council, co-signed the [Joint Statement A Press for the Planet: Journalism in the face of the Environmental Crisis](#), on the occasion of the 2024 World Press Freedom Day.

Watch the event in:

- [Santiago de Chile \(Chile\)](#)
- [United Nations, Geneva \(Switzerland\)](#)



The first contact the President of the General Conference had at the beginning of her mandate was with H.E. Francis Dennis, President of the General Assembly. They discussed opportunities for joining forces to advance progress towards reaching the SDGs of the 2030 Agenda, and the importance of highlighting the key role of Education and Culture in the outcome document of the Summit of the Future.

Preserving UNESCO's intellectual heritage for future generations



The President of the General Conference initiated and has been advocating for Member States' mobilization and partnership to preserve UNESCO's Archives for future generations, especially the collections that need urgent restoration.

The President invites you to a guided tour of the [UNESCO Archives](#):

- June 4, 2024 from 10.30am to 12pm, in English
- June 6, 2024 from 2.30pm to 4pm, in French

Meetings and Events

Highlights from the President's speeches



Sixth African Science, Technology and Innovation Forum, Ethiopia | [Read](#)

Executive Board's 219th session, UNESCO HQ | [Watch](#)

World Conference on Culture and Arts Education, United Arab Emirates | [Read](#)

Global Forum on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence 2024, Slovenia | [Read](#)

International Day of Women in Multilateralism, UNESCO HQ | [Watch](#)

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Forthcoming Engagements

of the President of the General Conference

25-27 June 2024: Participation in the International Maqom Art Forum, Shakhrisabz, Uzbekistan

July 2024: Signature of the UNESCO Recommendation on Education for Peace, Human Rights and Sustainable Development, approved by General Conference at its 42nd session

13 September 2024: Celebration of the Centenary of the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation (IIC)

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