UNESCO AND BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS: KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

I. COUNTRY PROFILE

Political system
• The country is parliamentary democracy (House of Assembly); self-governing overseas territory of the UK
• Chief of State: Queen ELIZABETH II (since 6 February 1952); represented by Governor Gus JASPERT (since 22 August 2017)
• Head of Government: Premier Andrew FAHIE (since 26 February 2019)
• Cabinet: Executive Council appointed by the Governor from members of the House of Assembly

• Total population (millions): N/A
• Human Development Index: N/A
• Life expectancy at birth (years): N/A
• Gross national income (GNI) per capita (2011 PPP$): N/A
• Internet users (% of population): N/A
• Carbon dioxide emissions per capita (tonnes): N/A

Education (source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics)
• Expected years of schooling (years): 12.6
• Compulsory education (years): 12, from age of 5 to 16
• Net enrolment ratio in primary education (%): 76.53 (2016)

II. BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS/UNESCO COOPERATION

1. Membership in UNESCO: Associated membership since 24 November 1983

2. Membership on the Executive Board: no

3. Current Membership on Intergovernmental Committees and Commissions: None

4. DG´s visit British Virgin Islands: none to date

5. Former Director General’s visit to British Virgin Island: none


7. UNESCO Office: none, British Virgin Islands is covered by the UNESCO Cluster Office in Kingston.

8. British Virgin Islands National Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO: Not yet established

9. Personalities linked to UNESCO’s activities: none

10. UNESCO Chairs: none
11. Associated Schools: none

12. Category 2 Institutes and Centres: none

13. Biosphere Reserves: none

14. UNESCO Global Geoparks: none

15. World Heritage Sites: none

16. Tentative List: none

17. Intangible Cultural Heritage List: none

18. Memory of the World Register: none

19. Creative Cities Network: none

20. UNESCO’s standard-setting instruments: none

21. Anniversaries with which UNESCO was associated: none

22. Participation Programme:
   - During the 2016-2017, four requests were approved by the DG for British Virgin Islands under the Participation Programme for a total amount of US$76,000.
   - For the 2018-2019 biennium, three requests were approved by the DG for a total amount of US$68,000.

23. Fellowships:
   - No Fellowship was awarded since 2010 to British Virgin Islands

24. NGOs in official partnership with UNESCO: none

25. IGOs and Foundations in official relations with UNESCO: none

26. Payment of assessed membership fees for 2019:
   - Assessment rate for 2019: 0.0006%, 1.520 USD

27. Staff members’ status: British Virgin Islands is a part of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and is considered of British nationality.

28. Map of British Virgin Islands: