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MEMBER STATES

1. Andorra

Andorran National Commission for UNESCO:

- Art camp 2010 (18 – 29 July 2010)

2. Armenia

Armenian National Center of the International Union of Puppeteers (UNIMA-Armenia):

- Annual International Festival “Puppets for Peace and Friendship” (1-8 June 2010)

World Independent Youth Union NGO (Armenia):

- Youth exchange: "Culture and Arts for Peace, Understanding and Friendship in Europe" (first semester of 2010)

3. Austria

Austrian National Commission for UNESCO in partnership with TermNet, the European Integration Fund (EIF), and the Austrian Ministry of Interior:

- Awareness Raising Campaign “Go4Diversity” - A Project about Migration, Diversity and Integration in Austria (1 February 2010 – 31 December 2010)

4. Belgium

General Service for Youth and Continuing Education – Culture Department – French Community of Belgium:

- Development of African women’s groups (2009-2010)
- Ideas and development of intercultural dialogue at the local and voluntary group level (2008-2014)

Flemish Commission for UNESCO:

- Organization of a series of encounters entitled ‘Who believes in indifference? Reflecting from and on practice’ based on the intrinsic value of dialogue. These activities will take place in 2010 and 2011 and are linked to UNESCO’s five domains. (the first encounter will take place on the 26 May 2010 Group T – Leuven Education College, ASPnet)

5. Brazil

Hosting of the 3rd Forum of the Alliance of Civilisations in May 2010 (information given during the 182nd session of the UNESCO Executive Board on 18 September 2009).

6. Burundi

Ministry of Youth, Sport and Culture of Burundi, in conjunction with the UNESCO Office in Bujumbura:

- Campaign for peace-building and national reconciliation in Burundi (February-October 2010)

7. Canada

- Hosting of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Culture and Heritage Institute and the School of Hospitality, Tourism & Culture of Centennial College:
- 2010 Symposium: "Intercultural Dialogue in Tourism: 2020 Vision" on tourism as an important means of promoting cultural relations, international co-operation, heritage preservation and economic and environmental sustainability. (4 – 6 October 2010)

8. Chile

Chilean National Commission for UNESCO, in cooperation with the Associated Schools Network, UNESCO Chairs in Chile, particular cultural institutions of the State and civil society and the municipality of Valparaiso, in cooperation with the UNESCO Office in Santiago:

- Universal Forum of Cultures 2010 (22 October 2010- 7 January 2011)
- Official Ceremony of the "1,000 cranes for peace" project (6 August 2010)
- Fifth International Congress of the Spanish Language (Chile is the host country)

9. China

The Center for China Shanghai International Arts Festival

- The annual China Shanghai International Arts Festival (CSIAF) in 2010 (18 October – 18 november 2010)
- The International Festival "Meet in Beijing Arts Festival" (April-May 2010)
- The Grand Temple Fair (one of the four famous temple fair in China)

10. Congo

Heritage and Cultural Development Department (D.P.D.C, Congo, Brazzaville):

- Fair "Gastronomy and civilizations" (10 February 2010)

11. Costa Rica

Costa Rican National Commission for UNESCO and the UNESCO Associated Schools Network and UNESCO Clubs:

- Training workshop for UNESCO Associated Schools and Clubs on the rapprochement of cultures (January 2010)
- Exchange of teachers and pupils of UNESCO Associated Schools and Clubs between Costa Rica and Panama, and Costa Rica and Nicaragua

12. Cyprus

Hope for Children Office of Children's Rights (HFC):

- Project “The Children of Cyprus and Human Rights” (April 2009–April 2010)
- NGO Support Centre, Nicosia:
- “ENGAGE! Civic Engagement for Reconciliation” (April 2009–September 2011)

13. Czech Republic

Klatovy Gallery

- Exhibition “Start Point – Presentation of the best end-of-study works of selected arts colleges” (August-September 2010)
- Twentieth Prague Writers’ Festival (Writers’ Festival Foundation, October 2009-June 2010)

Art Institute – Theatre Institute:

- Prague Quadrennial of Performance Design and Space (June 2009-May 2012)

Silesian Museum:

- Exhibition “City of Opava, culture and history” (March-November 2010)

Book World SARL, Society of the Union of Booksellers and Publishers:

- International Book Fair and Literary Festival – Book World, Prague, 2010 (13-16 May 2010)

Lidice Memorial:

- 38th International Children’s Exhibition of Fine Art, Lidice, 2010 (May-October 2010)

National information and advice centre for culture:

- 80th Jiráskův Hronov Festival (Festival of Amateur Theatre of different types with international participation) (July-August 2010)

National Folk Culture Institute:

- Strážnice International Folklore Festival 2010 (24-27 July 2010)

Union of Visual Artists of the Plzen area:

- Seventh Plzen International Biennale of Drawing (6 October-November 2010)

The Moravian Gallery in Brno (co-organizer: Ministry of Culture of the Czech Republic)

- 24th International Biennale of Graphic Design – Poster, Corporate Identity, Informational and Advertising Design (June-October 2010)

14. Democratic Republic of the Congo

Ministry of Culture and the Arts:

- National awareness-raising campaign on promoting and respecting cultural diversity

15. Egypt

Egyptian National Commission for UNESCO, in cooperation with Cairo University:

- “Media Education” project (extend the already existing project consisting of two workshops to the regional scale)

Egyptian National Commission for UNESCO, in cooperation with other partners:

- Lifelink-Mondialogo-PECE/MED (cooperation between the countries in North and South of the Mediterranean sea)
- Euro-Mediterranean Programme of Educational Cooperation with other neighbouring Mediterranean countries (PECE/MED)
- Climate changes project
- Children’s Illustrated Bilingual Cultural Dictionary
- Project “Cultures and civilisations mixed”

Egyptian National Commission for UNESCO :

- The Role of Media in Disseminating Intercultural Dialogue among Arab Youth : a three day sub-regional workshop aiming to promote the democracy of communication amongst Arab youth, the concept of democratic practices and the importance of media practices in promotion of the culture of dialogue. (11 -14 December 2010)
- Project on youth and women in the framework of "promoting reciprocal knowledge of cultural, ethnic, linguistic and religious diversity" and based on true demand to connect the links between the youth and women in Egypt with those of other countries

Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Moscow

- Project “UNESCO World Heritage in Fine and Decorative Arts”

16. France

France is highly committed to cultural diversity, intercultural dialogue and the rapprochement of cultures, which it promotes through various initiatives. The following assorted examples warrant inclusion: the work of the French cultural network throughout the world, the Union for the Mediterranean, the National City of the History of Immigration, the promotion of foreign cultures in France in cultural seasons giving pride of place to the culture of a guest country, and the *Festival de l’Imaginaire* of the World Cultures Institute. The UNESCO Chair in Memories, Culture and Interculturalities, established at the Catholic University of Lyon, works according to the same logic. Furthermore, France deems it important that all initiatives under the auspices of UNESCO in connection with the Year should respond strictly to respect for human rights, a prerequisite for all intercultural dialogue.

17. Germany

National Commission of Germany for UNESCO and the International Federation of the Coalition for Cultural Diversity (IFCCD):

- Second U40-World Forum "Cultural Diversity 2030" (autumn 2010, Istanbul/Turkey, European Capital of Culture 2010)

Jacobs University Bremen:

- 2010 "Globale° – Festival für grenzüberschreitende Literatur" (Festival for trans-border Literature) : connecting people from diverse generations, cultural and religious backgrounds (25 – 31 October 2010)

West Östlicher Diwan Festival, Weimar:

- Hafiz Memorial Day : commemorative event and recital of poems by Hafiz and Goethe to be performed by a German-speaking singer and by the internationally known Iranian singer Salar Aghili (12 October 2010, Weimar)

18. Greece

Greece and the Mediterranean Information Office for Environment Culture and Sustainable Development (MIO-ECSDE), with the support of UNESCO Venise Office:

- Establishment of a Euro-Mediterranean Network for Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) in Biosphere Reserves (MAB BRs) and other specially designated areas
- Development of the Network of Mediterranean Universities for the promotion of Sustainable Development focusing on Education for Sustainable Development
- Promotion of the HYDRIA educational programme "Collection, storage & distribution of water in antiquity- linking ancient wisdom to modern needs"

UNESCO Center for Women and Peace in the Balkan Countries, Hellenic National Commission for UNESCO, Hellenic Ministry of National Education & Parliament of Greece:

- Annual International Youth creative summer camp (22-31 August 2010)
- The Fourth Festival "Woman Creators of the Two Seas, the Mediterranean and the Black Sea" on the theme "Connecting cultures: women and intercultural dialogue" (Thessaloniki, September 2010)

National Commission of Greece for UNESCO:

- Activities related to the educational approach to the promotion of intercultural dialogue

19. Hungary

Hungarian Museum of Trade and Tourism:

- Common Routes of Euro-Mediterranean Music (November 2008– October 2010)

Salvatore Quasimodo Foundation in cooperation with the Italian Cultural Institute, Budapest, Hungary, the Italian Cultural Institute in Vienna, Austria, and the Ministry of Education and Culture of Hungary:

- “Salvatore Quasimodo poetry competition” in Balatonfüred, Hungary. The event is jointly organized with Arpino, the Italian twin-town of Balatonfüred (5 February 2010 – 30 September 2010)

Hungarian Theater Museum and Institute in cooperation with the Hungarian Theatre Dramaturges' Guild, and the Hungarian Theater Critics' Guild:

- International Contemporary Drama Festival Budapest (26 November 2010 – 4 December 2010)

Institute for Social and European Studies Foundation in partnership with Corvinus University of Budapest:

- International Summer University on "Diversity Management in Culture, Politics and Society" (21 June 2010 – 3 July 2010)

20. Italy

Italian National Commission for UNESCO proposes to organize:

- Annual conferences of all Member States of UNESCO as a mechanism for coordination and forum for constant interfaith dialogue (on that occasion, drafting of a “charter of understanding” on interfaith dialogue) and regular national conferences/events to promote dialogue among cultures and religions

21. Islamic Republic of Iran

- Round Table and Cultural Evening on “The Role of Nowrouz in the Rapprochement of Cultures”. Iranian Symphonic Orchestra composed of more than 50 artists and a renowned singer will perform poems of Ferdousi. The millenary of the end of the composition of his masterpiece Shahnameh (The Book of Kings) is celebrated in 2010 in association with UNESCO. (31 March 2010, Permanent Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Iran)

22. Jordan

Ministry of Culture of Jordan:

- An Azerbaijani Cultural Week in Jordan (October 2010)
- Musical Performances by China Disabled people performing art troupe at Al-Husseini Cultural Center (7 – 11 March 2010)
- An Exhibition about Hijaz Railway (11 – 14 April 2010)
- A Cultural Event About Kosovo: its history , it's people and it's Culture (1 – 3 June 2010)
- Jordan National Day at Shanghai Expo 2010 : folkloric performances held by the National group of folkloric Arts along

with many exhibitions that reflects Jordan and its famous industries (1 May – 31 October 2010)

- Summer Cultural Events (June – August 2010)
- Jordan International Theater Festival on the theme «Rapprochement of Cultures » (1 – 14 November 2010)
- Fund Raising Musical Concert : A musical concert which aim to raise funds for UNRWA office in Amman (16 May 2010)

23. Kazakhstan

- Third theatre festival of the countries of Central Asia (with the participation of theatres in Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Tatarstan and Azerbaijan)
- “Shanyrak” creative ethno-journalism competition (with the participation of journalists, the Kazakh media, representatives of ethno-cultural associations, NGOs and so on)
- National Festival of Languages (11) of the people of Kazakhstan (September 2010)
- Day of Slavic Writing (with the participation of intellectuals of Kazakhstan and the Russian Federation, parliamentarians of Kazakhstan and specialists in the fields of Slavism, Turko-Slavism and cultural studies at Kazakh and Russian universities, May 2010)
- International Dance Festival “Folk dances of the world” with the participation of dance troupes from many foreign countries
- “Shaken’s Stars” International Film Festival (in tribute to the Kazakh film director Shaken Aïmanov) aimed at supporting young directors (23-27 May 2010)
- Bozetorgaï international competition of children’s creativity (Kyrgyzstan, Russian Federation, Lithuania, China, Bulgaria, Estonia, Georgia, 29 May-1 June 2010)
- International Traditional Music Festival “An eternal call” to contribute to the renaissance of traditional musical culture and the study of the folk music heritage (7-9 October 2010)
- Friendship Festival “The Urals welcome their friends”, with the participation of representatives of the border regions of the Russian Federation (May 2010)
- Youth festival “We are living together in the twenty-first century”
- Third International Music Festival “The Great Silk Road” (second half of 2010)
- Folklore and music festival of the Turkic-speaking peoples “Korkyt and the melodies of the Great Steppe”
- International scientific conference at the L. N. Gumilev National Eurasian University “The current state of cultural studies: challenges and innovations” (April 2010)
- Conference “The twenty-first century and the dialogue among cultures” (April of 2010)

- International conference “Music as a factor in the rapprochement of cultures” (April 2010).

24. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

- Organization of a public forum for culture dialogue and civilization
- Round – Table : “The Role of Civil Society in the Rapprochement of Culture” (15 March, UNESCO HQ in Paris)
- Safer (Ambassador) “program for civilization dialogue. “interactive workshops among Saudi youth and youth from other cultures”
- The ceremony of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz International Award For Translation, on 11 may 2010 UNESCO Paris
- Issuing a number of booklets “in different languages” highlighting the importance of the dialogue of civilizations and the rapprochement of cultures
- Josoor (Bridges) program of communication between cultures “range of indexes and comics targeting children and young people and educators” to promote the concepts of respect of cultures and religions in the context of the initiative of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques for dialogue between religions
- The annual Jenadriyah Heritage and Cultural Festival, March 2010
- Exhibition at Louvre Museum Paris, concerning the heritage in Saudi Arabia, July 2010
- Competition “research and phrases” in the concept of dialogue and rapprochement
- International Competition in art “Plastic Art as a human International language”
- Organization of a forum on the outcome of the conferences on dialogue between civilizations that were held in Makkah. Madrid, Vienna, Geneva, Japan along with the culture event that the ministry of culture and information will organize in June 2010
- Inauguration of the International electronic information base for the centers and local institutions and regional and international concerned in dialogue of civilizations and dialogue between the followers of religions

25. Kyrgyzstan

National Commission of the Kyrgyz Republic for UNESCO:

- Round Table on “Process of cultural and social adaptation of migrants in Central Asian countries and Russia” (September – October 2010)

Resource Center of the Central Asian Craft Support Association (CACSA):

- Vth International Handicraft Festival on Dialogue of Cultures “Oimo” (July-August 2010)

26. Lebanon

Lebanese National Commission for UNESCO

- “Cultural Reconciliation among Lebanese University Students “Youth Empowerment for Cultural Rights” project (March 2010 – March 2012) in cooperation with UNESCO Office in Beirut.
- Project “Euro-Arab Dialogue: a step forward towards cultural rapprochement” (April - July 2010)

27. Macedonia (Former Yugoslav Republic)

Ministry of Culture and National Commission for UNESCO Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia:

- Second World Conference on Inter-Religious and Inter-Civilization Dialogue on “Religion and Culture – Substantial Relation among Nations” (6 – 9 May 2010)

28. Mali

Ministry of Culture

- Organization of activities within the framework of 2010, International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures.

29. Mexico

National Council for Culture and Arts of Mexico:

- Exhibitions and Biennals:
 - “Moctezuma: el Hombre, la Historia y el Mito”, British Museum, London (UK).
 - “Arte y Esplendor de Teotihuacan, Primera Ciudad del México Antiguo”, at Quai Branly Museum, Paris (France), at the Rietber Museum, Zurich(Switzerland) at the Martin-GropiusBau Museum, Berlin(Germany)at the National Museum of Copenhagen(Denmark);
 - “Esplendor de las Culturas Antiguas de México: Los Olmecas”, in cities of Japan;
 - “The Aztec Pantheon and the Art of Empire”, at the Getty Villa in Los Angeles(USA);
 - “Ancient Mexican Masterpieces from the Museo Nacional de Antropología”, at the Art Institute of Chicago(USA);
 - “Olmec: Colossal Masterworks of Ancient Mexico”, at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art; Young Museum of San Francisco, and at the Cleveland Museum(USA);
 - “Retrospectiva de Frida Kahlo”, at the Kunstforum, Vienna, Austria, and the Martin-Gropius Bau, Museum Berlin(Germany);
 - “El Arte de Dar Gracias, la Historia no Oficial a través de los Exvotos Pictóricos”, at the Mexican Institute, Paris(France)
- Multidisciplinary Festivals:

- Smithsonian Folklife Festival, National Mall, Washington, D.C., United States of America. Mexico, Country of Honour;
- Prelude Festival, at the J.F Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, at Washington, D.C., USA. Mexico, Country of Honour;
- Mexico Festival at the Fine Arts of Brussels (BOZAR), Belgium)
- International Book Fairs:
 - Mexico, country of honour at the Beijing International Book Fair, China
 - The XIIIth Dominican Republic International Book Fair, Santo Domingo, and the Calcuta International Book Fair, India). Mexico, Country of Honour.
- “SON RAÍZ: Diálogo Musical entre regiones” projet

30. Morocco

Essaouira Mogador Foundation, in cooperation with the University of the Middle East Project/The Centre for Higher Education in the Middle East:

- Project “Making Multiculturalism and Religious Diversity work for Young People” (February-June 2010).

31. New Zealand

Manukau Arts, Manukau City Council:

- Curating Pacific Arts Forum: platform for dialogue in the world of Pacific visual arts, taking place on the United Nations World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. (21 May 2010)

32. Nigeria

National Institute for Cultural Organisation (NICO), in cooperation with the UNESCO Office in Abuja:

- Living Human Treasures: A vehicle for peace, stability and development in Nigeria, 2010-2011

33. Oman

National Commission of Oman for UNESCO:

- Connecting Cultures, trips for Students from Arab and European Countries
- Muscat Annual Youth Forum for Omani and international students
- Art Competition for Omani Schools Students and Artists
- Activities, Competitions, Lectures, Exhibitions for Omani ASP Students
- Sub-regional Workshop on Intangible Heritage with some cultural evening events and sports competition

34. Pakistan

Department of Archaeology and Museums, Government of Pakistan:

- National Seminar on “Integrating the community into the safeguarding of Pakistan’s Interreligious Cultural Heritage” to be held at the Pakistan Institute of Archaeological Training and Research, Lahore (September 2010)

35. Philippines

National Commission of the Philippines for UNESCO:

- Project “Promotion of Peace through Interfaith Dialogue and Education” at the Centre for Interfaith Dialogue and Peace Education at the Ateneo de Zamboanga University (March-July 2010)
- Promotion of Culture of Peace through Art and Music Education of a Marginalized Community in a Philippine Urban Setting
- A Cultural Festival on Traditions and Crafts with the participation of women and youth
- Intercultural Dialogue activities with the Indigenous Communities in the Northern Philippines

Government of Philippines:

- Special Ministerial Meeting of the Non-Aligned Movement on Interfaith Dialogue and Cooperation for Peace and Development (SNAMMM) (16 – 18 March, Manila, Philippines)

36. Poland

Villa Decius Association (Krakow):

- 7th edition of the Sergio Vieira de Mello Prize (April–October 2010)

International Cultural Centre (ICC) in Krakow:

- Seminar “The Common Heritage of the Eastern Borderlands”, Part II (August 2010)
- “In Search of the Lost Commonwealth. Uni- or Multi-cultural Poland ?» (September 2009-April 2010)
- Training programme “Interpretation and management of heritage sites” - for young heritage professionals (September 2010)

MKI - Interschool Club of Internauts in Wroclaw, in partnership with the Asia Europe Classroom Network:

- Young Diplomats project: "The cultural wonders" (October 2009- September 2010)

Warsaw University:

- Project “Faces of Orient: educational toolkit” (July 2009 – January 2010)

Museum Sztuk:

- Project “ms4” (April-June 2010)

The Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute:

- Ethnic Impressions 2010 - Festival of the national minorities in Poland (January – December 2010)

The Castle Museum in Malbork, Poland:

- The 20th General Assembly of the Association of Castles and Museums around the Baltic Sea (26 – 31 May 2010)
- “Grunwald-Tannenberg-Zalgriris 1410-2010: History - tradition – politics” (20-24 September 2010)

Państwowe Museum Auschwitz-Birkenau:

- Preservation of the SS-Hygiene Institut Archival Collections

National Museum in Krakow:

- Exhibition: “Judaism – to know means to understand” (January – December 2010);
- Exhibition: “Okimono – between the East and the West” (June-September 2010)

Polish Maritime Museum:

- "Historic Ships of the Baltic Sea" protecting European floating heritage (October 2009- October 2010);
- "Four countries, four stories, four angles" exhibition within the SeaSide project ;
- Virtual exhibition “Following Medieval wrecks” Maritime Archeology in Norway and Poland;
- “The Flounder, which taught the citizens of Gdansk about tolerance”

National Museum in Szczecin:

- Exhibition “Modern and Contemporary Painting from the Collection of Dr. Erich Marx”. (September – November 2010);
- Exhibition “Inventing Reality: Contemporary Art from Estonia” (December 2010 - February 2011);
- Exhibition “Adapting Modernity. Classics of Estonian modernist art in the 1st half of the 20th century” (December 2010 – February 2011).

37. Republic of Korea

Korean National Commission for UNESCO, in cooperation with the Academy of Korean Studies:

- The 2010 Global Forum on Civilization and Peace (June 2010)

38. Romania

Covasna County Council:

- “Knowledge Route” Project (March –December 2010)

Maison de la Culture – Sulina :

- Le Festival des Minorites Nationales "Delta Fetes" (avril – octobre 2010)

Association Romanes:

- National Festival “Song fiddler Targoviste” (May– December 2010)

39. Russian Federation

Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation, in cooperation with different partners:

- Folk Art Festivals (Vth Moscow International Folklore Festival; Xth International Folk art Festival «Fellowship», Rostov region; International Festival of art works «Hillmen», Republic of Dagestan, Mahachkala city; International Festival of folk art and craft «Sadko» (3 – 7 June 2010), Veliky Novgorod)
- Theatre festivals (VIIIth International Festival of theatrical art of Finno-Ugric nations «Mayatool»; International theatrical Festival «The Baltic home», St.Petersburg; Festival “Meetings in Russia”, St. Petersburg (31 March – 9 April 2010)
- International Festival of Russian Theaters in the CIS and Baltic States (1 – 10 October 2010)
- Vth International Festival of symphony orchestras of the world
- International creative summer school for gifted children from Russia, CIS and Baltic States (Suzdal, July – August 2010)
- Exhibition “The Marvel of Russia’ of the Moscow State Integrated Museum-Reserve at (UNESCO Paris, January 2010)
- International Conference to celebrate the International Year of the Rapprochement of Cultures by the Moscow International Regional Museum. (November 2010)
- Various activities of the International Public Fund – “Russian Peace Foundation” will be organised within the year 2010
- Exhibition-presentation of the project «Islam in Russia» and other activities by the Council of Muftis of Russia devoted to 2010.
- Expositions and other activities organized within the Year 2010 by the Russian Jewish Museum of Tolerance.
- The Seventh Youth Delphic Games of CIS (the Commonwealth of Independent States) (26 June – 2 July 2010, Yerevan, Armenia)
- The IX Youth Delphic Games of Russia dedicated to the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures (2-7 May 2010)
- Organization of the contest and the exhibition with the support of the UNESCO Moscow Office and the release of the album “The Children of the World are Painting: the World I Live in”, dedicated to 2010 (October 2010)

Moscow Institute of Foreign Languages:

- International conference “The native language in modern society: young peoples' attitude” (22 – 23 February 2010)

- V Inter-school conference "The English speaking world: history and present day" (April 2010)
- International scientific conference "Language, Culture, Society" (summer 2010)

Russian Academy of Choral Art with the support of Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation:

- Second International Children's Choral Art Festival : children's choirs from Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Estonia, Moldova, Russia and Ukraine (Moscow, 4 – 10 May 2010)

Russian Academy of Arts:

- Exhibition "Dialogue of cultures in the Space of the Academic School" : the works of contemporary art of various academic Schools and styles of Russia, the CIS and other countries (UNESCO HQ, 21 June – 3 July 2010)

40. Senegal

Senegalese National Commission for UNESCO:

- Project "Voluntary movements for young people and the promotion of intercultural dialogue in Africa" (March-April 2010)

41. Serbia

Ministry of Culture:

- Various activities on intercultural and interreligious dialogue, understanding and cooperation for peace devoted to 2010.
- Project Mapping and Promotion of Intercultural Dialogue Projects and Processes (ongoing)

42. Sudan

- Sudan Cultural Forum at UNESCO HQs and Khartoum (2010)

43. Syrian Arab Republic

Ministry of Education and Syrian National Commission for UNESCO:

- Organisation of a World Day for Intercultural Dialogue and Communication (Aleppo or Damascus)

44. Switzerland

Swiss Commission for UNESCO:

- Lugano IV "National Commissions for UNESCO : Strengthening Our Relations Considering the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures" (3 - 5 March, Lugano, Switzerland)
- 12th Edition of the Festival « Filmar en America Latina » : around a hundred fictional movies, documentaries and short films aimed at discovering the cultural wealth of the cinematographic creation of

this continent, and apprehending the social, economic and political situations (5 – 21 November 2010)

Swiss Commission for UNESCO and Chaman Edition:

- « TRACES - Mémoires musulmanes en coeur de France », a book by Georges A. Bertrand (December 2009)

Swiss Commission for UNESCO in partnership with OIF, UNESCO, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, UNESCO Chair of Bergamo:

- In the framework of the XIIth Interdisciplinary Colloquia on Human Rights, « L'enfant témoin et sujet : Les droits culturels de l'enfant » : analysis of the diversity and universality of children's culture and profound examination of children's cultural rights. (28 April – 1 May 2010)

45. Tajikistan

Tajikistan National Commission for UNESCO, in cooperation with the Z. Shahidi International Cultural Foundation

- International conference on "Interculturality: theory and practice. New perspectives of the globalizing world"

46. Tunisia

Minister of Culture and Heritage Preservation:

- Organization of an exhibit of musical instruments from different cultures.
- Organization of conferences regarding the promotion of cultural diversity.
- The 23rd edition of the Carthage Film Festival, October/November 2010
- The 5th edition of the International Documentary Film Festival, to be held in Tunis in April 2010
- The International Environmental Film Festival organized in Kairouan in June 2010 for the World Environment Day.
- The International Short Film Festival in Tunis in April 2010
- The Film Festival of Hergla, in August 2010. The organization of a round table on the reality and new horizons of cinema in the light of new technology.

The programme of the Chair Ben Ali for the Dialogue of Civilizations and Religion also proposes, among other projects:

- The organization of diverse conferences around the contribution of the Mediterranean peoples to the development of a civilization that is at once diverse and universal.
- The organization of regional and international conferences on themes that emphasize the solid link between peoples and cultures, such as : "Music and Culturally Diverse Identities: The creation of universal citizenship for a global vision" organized in

collaboration with the Toda Institute of Japan, and “*Mediterraneanity*,” a general debate between peoples belonging both geographically and culturally to the Mediterranean.

- Invitation to chairs, consultants and the national organization of young school children, cultural committees, and other national and local organizations to jointly organize cultural events.

Permanent Delegation of Tunisia to UNESCO in partnership with the Centre Universitaire Méditerranéen:

- Day-long conference on the theme “Tolerance, dialogue and cultural diversity : the Tunisian experience” (7 May 2010)

47. Turkey

Turkish National Commission for UNESCO jointly with the Bulgarian National Commission for UNESCO:

- Traditional Cultures and Living Musical Forms of the Local People Located Alongside the Border Between Bulgaria and Turkey (2009-2010)

Turkish National Commission for UNESCO in cooperation with UNESCO Venice Office and UNESCO Moscow Cluster Office

- Developing the Biosphere Reserves Network in SEE and Caucasus Regions (February 2010)

The Ministry of Culture and Tourism in cooperation with the Turkish National Commission for UNESCO

- Intangible Cultural Heritage in SEE countries and developing Joint Dossier for “Hıdırellez” to the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity (May 2010)

Turkish National Commission for UNESCO jointly with the Macedonian National Commission for UNESCO

- Sharing the Same Taste: The Common Traditional Cuisine of Turkey and Macedonia (2009)

Ministry of Culture and Tourism in cooperation with the Turkish National Commission for UNESCO and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

- The Istanbul Summit of the Heads of States of South East Europe of Cultural Corridors (June 2010)

48. Ukraine

Ministry of Culture and Tourism of Ukraine and UNESCO World Heritage Centre:

- International Seminar “Role of Religious Communities in the Management of World Heritage Properties” at the World Heritage site: “Kiev: St. Sophia Cathedral and Related Monastic Buildings, Kiev-Pechersk Lavra” (November 2010)

National Academy for Managers in Culture and Art, Development Centre
« Democract through Culture »:

- International Scientific and Practical Conference Project “Interculturalism as main strand of modern society-building” (May – 31 December 2010)
- Media encounters “From multiculturalism to intercultural dialogue – Speak out against discrimination” (15 April – 31 May 2010)

Center for contemporary Art “DAH”:

- International Festival of Contemporary Art “Gogolfest” (3 – 19 September 2010)

NGO Youth foundation:

- Kyiv International Festival “Youth” (23 – 31 October 2010)

Association of New Music:

- International Festival of Modern Art “Two Days and Two Nights of New Music” (23 – 25 April 2010)

Ministry of Culture and Tourism of Ukraine

- Ukrainian Festival Artistic Family Ethnic Groups of Ukraine (25 – 31 October 2010)
- Ukrainian Forum of National Cultures “Ukraine : Artistic Diversity and Dialogue of Cultures” (29 November – 5 December 2010)

49. Uruguay

- Exhibition « Symphonja project » : 12 pieces, 12 cities, by the Uruguayan master tapestry-maker David Salamanovich (end of 2010, UNESCO Headquarters in Paris)

Consultative Committee of the “ARABIA PLAN”

- Conferences: Global information and the Rapprochement of cultures; “Global cities and their role in the Rapprochement of cultures”; “The role of the Muslim and Arab architecture in promotion intercultural dialogue”
- Exhibitions: Oral heritage and cultural productions in the Arab world; Virtual arts of Arab women and children to promote their cultural rights; exhibition on the theme of Rapprochement of cultures, with the participation of all regional groups; “Ancient civilization arts and its role in the Rapprochement of cultures”; photography (drawing the cultural development of Arab countries)
- Other activities: Arabic Fashion shows (mixture between tradition and modernity); presentation of the different traditional and popular handicraft Arab professions; organization of an Arabia Plan Prize in the cultural and artistic field (writing, painting, photography...); Cultural trips to

promote different countries; Itinerant Library “rapprochement and tolerance”; establishing educational methodologies for schools that promote the principles of rapprochement of cultures and tolerance for peace

Euro-Arab Dialogue Project: a joint initiative of National Commissions from the Arab and European Regions

- Meeting of the Euro-Arab Dialogue Task Force (27-28 January 2010, UNESCO Headquarters)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (IGO)

Alliance of Civilizations (AoC)

- Third Forum of the AoC (Rio de Janeiro, 28-29 May 2010). In the framework of the Forum, the AoC proposes to:
 - invite UNESCO to organize an activity to be included in the programme of the Forum showcasing its “acquis” in the field of promotion of intercultural dialogue;
 - support the organization of a side event, i.e. an encounter with participants in musical groups/experiences/orchestras based on mixing diversity to reflect on the power of music to bridge divides and musical performance;
 - organize the Rapprochement of cultures special award for civil society projects aimed at promoting a rapprochement of cultures.
- National Plans for Intercultural Dialogue – when experts meet practitioners :
 - “Education about Religions and Beliefs Clearinghouse” - an online network;
 - UNESCO UNITWIN AoC Chair on Media Literacy and Intercultural Dialogue – a network of universities from around the world;
- Youth:
 - Youth as the Future of Rapprochement ;media event focusing on “How Children and Young People view the Role of Education in Rapprochement”;
 - Video on the Rapprochement of Cultures on the occasion of the International Youth Day; On-line discussion on Rapprochement of Cultures on the UNAoC Youth Website;
 - Encourage youth partners to implement initiatives under the Year 2010 and promote their work through *the Global Youth Movement for the Alliance of Civilizations*;
- Migration and Integration (MI) Clearinghouse;
- Media:
 - Plural +

- Rapid Response Media Mechanism in the Euro-Mediterranean region (media projects);
- Cross cutting projects:
 - “Restore Trust, Rebuild Bridges” (Media-oriented rapid response mechanism to intercultural crises in the Euro-Mediterranean region);
 - Dialogue Café

Council of Europe

- Intercultural education and exchanges (January 2010–2014);
- University on Youth and Development (11th meeting in 2010);
- Africa Europe Youth Cooperation Programme (on-going, 2009 - 2011, Council of Europe)
Regular monitoring meetings will be held twice a year to organize the Programme activities throughout 2010;
- Intercultural cities: governance and policies for diverse communities (on-going, January 2008–December 2010);
- A History of Interactions within the Mediterranean and between the Mediterranean and Other Cultures and Religions of the World (on-going, April 2009 – March 2012)

Conference of Ministers of Youth and Sport of French-Speaking Countries (CONFESJES, Senegal)

- Meeting of young people (18 to 30 years old) from different geographical areas (North Africa, West Africa, Central Africa, Indian Ocean) to celebrate the Year

International Organization of the Francophonie (OIF)

- Activity to map cultural industries in the French-speaking countries, in particular in the States of the South

OIF in conjunction with ISESCO and UNESCO

- Establishment of a group to consider and make proposals regarding the revision of the intellectual and political concept of international cooperation taking account of requirements arising from the need for dialogue among civilizations and recognition of cultural diversity

OIF in conjunction with the Organization of Ibero-American States for Education, Science and Culture, Community of Portuguese-Speaking Countries, Ibero-American General Secretariat, Latin Union and Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO):

- Dissemination of a method for mutual understanding of Latin languages
- Constitution of a multilingual terminology bank; adoption of multilingual signs on tourist

Association francophonie-Ecole Normale Supérieure in collaboration with the Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) and other partners

- Semaine de la Francophonie at the Ecole Normale Supérieure (15 – 21 March 2010)

Commonwealth Secretariat

- Various activities within the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures.

Cultural Council of the Union pour la Méditerranée

- Forum of Cairo : forum-exhibition on cultural heritage and economic development : towards a sustainable model of crafts promotion (« Patrimoine culturel et développement économique : Vers un modèle durable de promotion de l'artisanat », 2 – 4 June 2010, Cairo, Egypt)

Intergovernmental Foundation for Educational, Scientific and Cultural Cooperation (IFESCCO, Members: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan)

- IVth Forum of Interpreters, Writers and Publishers of the CIS and Baltic countries "Translation: Language and Culture";
- Vth Forum of Creative and Scientific Intellectuals of the CIS Member States

International Delphic Council

- The Celebration of Delphic Games - the Grand Finale of the ITB Berlin 2010 (10 – 14 March 2010)

Interreligious Council of the Commonwealth of Independent States

- Forum of Religious Leaders (26 – 27 April 2010, Baku, Azerbaijan)

Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture of the Organisation of the Islamic Conference

- Multi-media exhibition including a 3D presentation, and multi-disciplinary panel, on the theme: "Cultural Coexistence, Common Heritage" (June 2010 – December 2011, in Istanbul, Turkey)

The Institute for Cultural Diplomacy in collaboration with NATO and the Atlantic Club of Bulgaria

- The International Symposium on Cultural Diplomacy 2010 : annual event bringing together renowned figures from international politics and academia to speak on the relationship between culture, international relations, and globalization through a program of lectures, panel discussions, debates, and cultural activities (Berlin, 23 – 30 May 2010, Berlin, Germany)

TURKSOY (International Organisation of Turkish Culture) with UNESCO patronage

- International Novruz Day (Central Asian New Year): Gala concert on the occasion of the Day with participation of folkloric groups from Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Russia, and Ukraine (29 March 2010, UNESCO HQ in Paris)

UNICEF

- Project « Chittagong Hill Tracks – A community based approach to integrated basic services in Bangladesh »
- Publications “Accelerated Child Survival and Development” used for Dialogue with Traditional Authorities in Central and Northern regions of Botswana
- Promotion of the use of the booklet published by UNICEF and Al-Azhar University “Children in Islam : Their care, Protection and Development”
- In the framework of the programme “Faith for Life” initiated by the Kenya Office with the Interreligious Council of Kenya, a large conference for Kenya’s religious leadership is planned for 2010.
- Implementation of the Communication Programme to raise awareness of water and sanitation and nutrition in the native languages of the Miskit and Mayangna indigenous people, and in spanish and creole (UNICEF Office in Nicaragua)
- In the framework of the Peace and Tolerance initiative, a Peace and Tolerance Cinema Forum, Art/Photo exhibition, young artists contest and International Tolerance Day Forum are planned for 2010.
- J8 initiative : annual Youth Event alongside the G8 meeting to debate issues discussed by the G8
- “Connecting Classrooms” Initiative : collaboration around topics of globally shared concern
- “Child-Friendly Cities” Global Initiative
- TeachUNICEF Educational Materials, designed to help educators bring a global understanding of the needs of children and families around the world into the classroom.
- “Bag of Tricks” on Climate Change : creative animation materials to engage young people as actors of change in the United Nations Framework on the Climate Change Convention

UN Office in Ukraine, Department of Public Information Associate

- Nationwide Children Drawing Contest “Children of the world, join your hands!” (20 January – 1 June 2010)

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGO)

China Folklore Photographic Association

- Travelling Photo exhibition : « China and its neighbouring countries : the value of cultural and ethnic diversity and dialogue through lenses of international photographers ». The exhibition will tour Asian countries. (21 May 2010 – 30 December 2010)

International Council of Organizations for Folklore Festivals and Folk Art

- Confolens International Festival “Arts et traditions populaires du monde” : 400 artists from around the world promoting cultural diversity through performances and folkloric art. (9 – 15 August 2010)

Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS)

- Project “Asia Europe Young Volunteers Exchange” (AEYVE) (15 August–15 September 2010)
- Project “Communication, Voluntarism and equal opportunity” (2010)
- Project “EVS in the Middle East - Solidarity in Action” (March 2010 – February 2011)
- Project “Gender sensitivity at voluntary work”, (April 2010– March 2011)
- Project “Managing and Implementing Euro-Latin American exchanges – M.I.E.L.” (November 2009 – November 2010)

International Council for Film, Television and Audiovisual Communication (IFTCA)

- Project “Infopoverty: bridging the digital divide between the countries of the North and the South”

International Council for Multicultural Youth (COJEP)

- East/West meetings: young people, pioneers of intercultural dialogue – meeting to be held in Cordoba, Spain, in 2010

International Dance Council CID UNESCO

Istanbul Section of the International Dance Council CID-UNESCO:

- 25th World Congress on Dance Research on the theme “Dance as a means for the Rapprochement of Cultures” (Istanbul, Turkey, 7 April 2010 – 11 April 2010)

San Lu s S ction of the International Dance Council CID UNESCO – Argentina:

- Celebration of the International Day of Dance in Argentina (14 – 16 May 2010)

International Music Trust Fund (IMTF)

- “Music and Peace Ambassadors” : interactive study program consisting of seminars, workshops and concerts exploring cultural values and practices (specifically, the role of music in the context of peace and human rights) and preparing participants for their one-year tenure as Music and Peace Ambassadors (7 – 13 August 2010, at the newly established Dag Hammarskjöld Center in Oslo, Norway)

Fédération Internationale des Traducteurs

- Centenary of Jean Genet on the theme “World Literature-francophonie - Jean Genet and censorship in literary translation”. Focus on the role of languages, linguistic diversity, multilingualism and translation as an important component in the advancement of intercultural dialogue (19 November 2010 – 26 November 2010)

German Centre of the International Theatre Institute

- International Festival “Theater der Welt 2010” Theatre of the World : presentation of the work of artists from every corner of the earth – from Europe, Africa, Asia, America and Oceania (30 June 2010 – 17 July 2010, Essen and Mülheim, Germany)

World Conference of Religions for Peace

- Strengthening of the interfaith council for peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Morsmal Organization

- Project “Inclusion via multicultural and multilingual education” (30 January 2010 – 31 December 2010)

NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee ‘Dialogue among cultures for peace’

- Symposium “Culture of dialogue and dialogue of cultures”

Pax Romana ICMICA/MIIC

- Pax Romana’s Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue for Youth in 2010

Universal Esperanto Association

- The “East meets West” project (January 2010-December 2014)
- International meeting “Convention in the Middle East” (2nd meeting) Ankara, Turkey (spring 2010);
- Project “Language Rights for All”;
- Forum on Dialogue between Civilizations (during the World Esperanto Congress in Havana in 2010)

OTHER INITIATIVES

Associations and Foundations

Atelier Tutti Frutti

- Edition of a collection of bilingual books for European children originally from Arab countries (January – December 2010, France)

Association des anciens élèves et diplômés de l'Ecole polytechnique

- 119th Edition of the Annual « Bal de l'X » at Opéra Garnier, Paris, France (9 April 2010)

Association “Carrefour des Arts” in collaboration with the Center for UNESCO in Troyes

- Exhibition « Artistes du monde, vecteurs de paix » (20 March 2010 – 18 April 2010)

Association « Chercheurs d'Autres »

- Project « Le Triangle des Cultures » : strengthening of ancient cultural ties between the populations of St Louis-du-Sénégal, French Guiana and Midi-Pyrénées (South-West France) through the creation of a virtual exchange platform (June 2010 – July 2011)

Association “Micmaac” in cooperation with Université Toulouse 1 Capitole

- In the framework of the Exhibition « Bolivie, espoirs et quotidien », a debate (Bolivia : Understanding Contemporary Thought on Indianity), the projection of a documentary and reading of Bolivian poetry on the occasion of the International Day of Poetry (8 mars 2010 – 3 July 2010, Toulouse, France)

Association « Osmose, Development and Cultures »

- Pluridisciplinary SUN ART Festival : contemporary African creation in Provence (Lourmarin, France, 14 – 18 July 2010)

Association « Partageons nos Cultures et Connaissances »

- Franco-Togolese Cultural Exchange « Les beaux jours de la solidarité franco-togolaise » (25 May 2010 – 25 June 2010, Bretagne Region, France)

Association SAABU

- « Nuit des contes sonrhaï » (1 January 2010 – 31 December 2011, SAABU Association, France)

Auroville Child Development Unit of Auroville Foundation

- Concert Orchestra Amadeus/Petit Chanteurs of New Creation India (15 May – 2 June 2010)

Bustan Al'Shalom

- Green Community Center project (May 2009- January 2010, Negev desert, Israel)

Centre d'information, de recherche et développement pour les originaires d'Outre-Mer (CIFORDOM)

- In the framework of the 2010 edition of the literary award « FETKANN! Mémoire des pays du Sud, Mémoire de l'Humanité », organization of a colloquia on the theme of dialogue of memories « Dialogue des mémoires » (date to be fixed)

Centro Bartolomé de Las Casas

- Project “Acercando miradas/Exchanging glances” : an art and photography book on The Andean Culture in the World (June 2010 – December 2010, Peru)

Christian Cultural Centre

- Conference on the theme “Christian and Islamic Cultural Heritage in the Balkans” (10 June 2010 – 20 December 2010, Belgrade, Serbia)

Coordination group of Brussels cultural centres

- Easter music Festival (festival for a young audience) (2 April 2010)

Cultural and Civic Association Lukum Taka

- African Opera "Barrana" (30 June 2010, Barcelona, Spain)

Culturelink - Network of Networks for Research and Cooperation in Cultural Development

- Networks as Impetus for the Rapprochement of Cultures : joint project Seven networks from Europe, Africa, Latin America and Asia (15 May 2010 – 15 May 2011)

DeDeus Group, Inc.

- 1st Global Conference of Black Nationalities : promoting a dialogue on the African Diaspora (Osogbo, Osun State, Nigeria, 23 – 27 August 2010)

European-Russian Association of International Cooperation

- International cultural and educative project “Children are the mission of the world” (4 – 9 May 2010 in Austria, Russia, Slovakia, in partnership with the Children charitable fund "ART Festival - Rosa Vetrov")
- Musical culture in the intercultural dialogue - The project “Young musical laureates” : participants from 25 Nations (throughout 2010, with financial support of the Viennese City Council)

Fermata Arts Foundation

- “Let’s Build a Roof over the World” project (September 2008 – March 2011)

Fondation pour l'Interculturel et la Paix (FIP) in collaboration with the Mauritius Institute of Education (MIE)

- Intercultural Education Project « Tous parents, tous différents » : organization of a travelling exhibition of 10 giant boards in primary schools and a workshop (Mauritius, April 2010 – April 2012)

Fundación Sophia, Spain

- Conference “The East and the West” (5 March 2010)

Indigenous Peoples Project

- Project about Languages –part of the International Esperanto Movement

New Humanity (Rome, Italie)

- Cityfest project

Nova Acropolis Cultural Association, Barcelona, Spain

- Project « Cultura activa por los valores universales » (“Active Culture for Universal Values”, 15 January 2010 – 29 December 2010)

UNESCO Initiatives Centre in Wroclaw, Poland

- « Kulturowe Eksploracje » Cultural Explorations: photo reportage contest for amateurs and the exhibition of the best photo reportages (Poland, 15 March 2010 – 30 June 2010)

Performance Arts, Festivals, Exhibitions and Media

Arts Agenda

- Choral “Perpetual Light: Requiem for an Unscorched Earth” performed at and in decommissioned nuclear sites. (September 2010 - 2012)

Border Crossings

- Piece of theatre “The Orientations Trilogy”, exploring gender issues in both Western and Asian cultures through a wide range of artistic forms, both traditional and contemporary (6 September – 28 November 2010, United Kingdom)

Cinquième Etage Productions

- Distribution in September 2010 by Canal+ of the film “Le film des terres imaginées”, adapted from a book published by Seuil in 2009 (*Le livre des terres imaginées* by Guillaume Duprat) showing how different cultures at different times have imagined the Earth

Cultural Enterprise Mithogenia Unipessoal, Ida

- Exhibition “The voyage” at the World Expo Shanghai 2010 (1 May 2010- 31 October 2010)

CULTURE&CULTURES

- CULTURE&CULTURES intercultural international film festival (1 – 10 October 2010)

Demofest Ltd.

- « Demofest » Music Festival focused on promoting young demo bands from Ex-Yugoslavian countries (Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, FRY Macedonia) and performances of renowned musical groups and individuals from the whole world (21 – 24 July 2010, Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Drum Café in collaboration with National Museums of Kenya

- The Drum Café 2010 Peace Festival/Conference (18 – 25 September 2010)

El Ojo Cojo in partnership with the Municipality of Madrid and the Spanish Ministry of Culture

- El Ojo Cojo International Film Festival : dedicated to Cultural Integration (8 – 17 October 2010, Madrid, Spain)

Europe Future Fashion in collaboration with Alliance Française de Split and Institut Français de Zagreb

- “Europe Future Fashion Split 2010”: fashion event in South East Europe (4 June 2010 – 6 June 2010, Split, Croatia)

Fountainhead® Tanz Theatre

- 24th Edition of the Black International Cinema Berlin on the theme “A COMPLEXION CHANGE – International & Intercultural Diplomacy” (May 7-10 2010)

« Four Winds » in collaboration with the city of Ornans and other partners

- Amerindian Festival «Danse avec la Loue » 2nd Edition Pow Wow 2010 (25 June 2010 – 27 June 2010, Ornans, France)

La Finca Del Arte, Tenerife, Spain

- Musical Project « Fusion » : a better understanding of the cultures of East and West

Movimiento Theatre in cooperation with the Nord-Pas de Calais Region, the Commune of Artois et the Town of Béthune (France)

- Collective Project “L’art, le paysage, les hommes” (1 June 2010- 31 December 2011)

Music Theatre International (MTI Italia)

- Traffic.Art+Dance Project “De Rerum Natura”

Orchestra de l'Association Symphonique de Paris, together with the Choirs of Lux Perpetua and the American Church in Paris

- Performance of Karl Jenkins' "The Armed Man - A Mass for Peace" at the American Church in Paris, involving traditional elements of the Christian mass (Kyrie, Sanctus, Agnus Dei and Benedictus), the Muslim call to prayer (the Adhan) and the Jewish prayer 'Save me from Bloody Men' (26 March 2010)

Santa Fe International Folk Art Market, Inc. in cooperation with the Division of Cultural Expressions and Creative Industries of UNESCO, New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs, and the Museum of International Folk Art

- Santa Fe International Folk Art Market : 175 different participating artists from 53 countries, and over 20 000 visitors (4 – 12 July 2010)

Respect Magazine – NoGhetto

- “Respect Manifesto for a Multicultural World” project

Society for the Performing Arts in Nigeria (SPAN)

- Corridor To Power Dance Tour: dance as a tool of reorientation and education, choreography by Offiong Edet Anthony, former UNESCO DanceWEB scholar 2005 based in Lagos Nigeria (April/May 2010 – August/September 2010, Nigeria and West Africa)

The Prairie Art Gallery, Canada

- Exhibition “HERS”: portraits of culturally diverse women who had significant impacts on Canadian culture (1 April – 17 May 2010)
- Exhibition “Wisdom of the Ages”: portraits of senior citizens (2 April – 17 May 2010)

Vues d'Afrique

- PanAfrica International Cinematographic Festival – Youth and cinema : projection of films and documentaries adapted to a young audience (8-18 years old) followed by debates with the producers of the films invited for the occasion (in collaboration with the City of Montréal, 16 – 23 April 2010)
- Haitian Cultural Evening in the framework of the 26th PanAfrica International Cinematographic Festival in collaboration with numerous Haitian artists (25 February 2010)

Winsoft Productions company

- Winsoft Arabic Typography Contest on 2010

World Harmony Run

- Launching of the global event “World Harmony Run” : global relay organized entirely by volunteers which aims to encourage and promote goodwill among peoples of all nations (12 April 2010, New York)

Universities, Research Centres and Institutes

Cité internationale universitaire de Paris

- Exhibition « Photosynthèse - La vie à la Cité internationale » (8 April 2010 – 6 June 2010, Paris, France)
- Round table « Présent et futur du modèle de la Cité internationale » (20 May 2010, Paris, France)

Davit Guramishvili Georgian-Ukrainian International University 'Iberia'

- Project « For Cross-cultural Relationship » : many activities organized by the university focusing on Georgian culture and

history in the light of rapprochement of cultures (4 April 2010 – 16 October 2010)

International Free University of Moldova

- Publication of a collective work on the theme « Parcours interculturels. Etre et devenir » (October 2009 – October 2010)

Institut des Stratégies de Développement Culturel in collaboration with the French Senate and the « Groupe interparlementaire d'amitié France-Arabie Saoudite-Pays du Golfe »

- Colloquia « Regards sur la société saoudienne » (11 March 2010, Palais du Luxembourg, Paris)

French Institute of Madrid, in partnership with the Aquitaine Region

- Project of the launching of the website “Vivre en Aquitaine”: destined to learners of French as a foreign language (April 2010)

GRIHEE : Groupe de Recherches Interuniversitaires en Harmonisation Européenne de l'Éducation

- Project for Development of Intercultural Competences “Art et interculturelité” (8 January 2010 – 8 January 2011, Republic of Moldavia)

Polytechnic University of Valencia, Spain

- Project “Structural Art in New York” : studies (11 January 2010 – 10 April 2010)

Sherbrooke University Research Chair on Educative Intervention (Canada)

- « International Study Days on Teaching Practices Facing the Demand of Success : an International Crossing of Sociological and Anthropological viewpoints » (21 – 23 April 2010)

Sokhumi State University of Georgia in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia , Multinational Learners (NGO) and International Black Sea University

- Project « Intercultural Dialogue - the way to Peace » : various activities on Georgian cultural relations on particular with Abkhazia and Turkey (15 April 2010 – 15 December 2010)

University of Granada, Spain

- Azarquiel School of Astronomy: a bridge between East and West for university students from Arab and Middle East countries and from the EU. It will be devoted to the promotion of cultural exchange, and the promotion of advanced-level teaching in Astronomy, motivating future research activities (4 July 2010 – 11 July 2010)

University Perspectiva, Moldova

- Day of Inter-university studies with international participation (25 March 2010, Department of International Relations)
- Project « Pays et cultures: connaître et se faire connaître » (1 March 2010 – 20 December 2010, Department of Tourism)

Tyumen State Academy of Culture, Arts, and Social Technologies (Russia)

- Scientific conference on “Intercultural Communications and Ideology of Peace-Building” (21 May 2010)

Warsaw School of Economics

- Project « Many Cultures, One Passion » : participation of a group of students from Folk Dance and Song Ensemble of Warsaw School of Economics in an international Folk Festival of Azores and workshops in Angra do Heroismo in Azores (7 – 14 August 2010, Folk Dance and Song Ensemble)

Towns, Municipalities and Communes

City of Valence (France) in collaboration with the Institut du Monde Arabe

- Exhibition "Qantara : Patrimoine méditerranéen : Traversées d'Orient et d'Occident" (1 September 2010 – 30 October 2010, in the city of Valence, in the Rhône-Alpes region of France, and the twin cities of Valence : Batroun in Lebanon and Hammamet in Tunisia)

City of Verviers, France

- In the framework of the project « Aux Arts » in Verviers : establishment of an interactive sculpture promoting peace between israelis and palestinians, and other diverse activities (round-tables, workshops, etc.) (22 April 2010 – 18 December 2010)

Coexistence Award Foundation – Autonomous City of Ceuta

- 12th Edition of the Autonomous City of Ceuta Coexistence Award

Commune de la Terrasse

- Project “Diversité, diverse cité” : creating platforms for exchange and local events oriented towards the discovery of local cultural and intercultural diversity (January – December 2010)

Cultural Service of Champigny sur Marne in cooperation with local Associations

- Project Local Fashion Show « Troquons pour être heureux : un défilé de haute culture » : a fashion show of costumes created, made and presented by the inhabitants of Champigny sur Marne, originating from different cultures (autumn 2010)

The Haut-Jura Music Festival in collaboration with the General Council of the Jura and the City of Salins-Les-Bains (France)

- In the framework of the 25th Edition of the Haut Jura Music Festival, « Ludi Musici » concert by Jordi Savall and Montserrat Figueras on the theme of european music in the 16th and 17th centuries (19 June 2010)

San Juan Municipality in collaboration with Puerto Rico Government

- Ferinart San Juan 2010 : promotion of handicraft products, workshops, and conferences (30 April 2010 – 9 May 2010)

UNESCO CHAIRS AND CATEGORY 2 INSTITUTES

- UNITWIN Network on Interreligious Dialogue for Intercultural Understanding: Development of Spiritual Traditions and Contemporary Culture in the framework of the UNITWIN Network on Interreligious Dialogue for Intercultural Understanding (Summer 2010–Autumn 2011)
- UNESCO Chair in Transcultural Studies, Interreligious Dialogue, and Peace (Oregon, USA) Assessment of Grass-Roots Interfaith/Multifaith Activities around the World (10 January- December 2010)
- UNESCO Chair for Comparative Studies of Spiritual Traditions, their Specific Cultures and Interreligious Dialogue at the St.Petersburg Branch of the Russian Institute for Cultural Research:
 - International conference on the studies on Christianity and Islam in the Context of the Contemporary Culture (St. Petersburg, 23-24 October 2010)
 - Project “Christianity and Islam: New Prospects for Dialogue and Understanding” (1 March 2010 – 15 December 2010) in collaboration with UNESCO Chair of

Comparative Study of Religions, Mediation and Dialogue at St. Joseph University in Beirut, Lebanon)

- UNESCO Chair in Cultural Diversity and Intercultural Dialogue for a Culture of Peace (Nicosia, Cyprus): Intercultural and Interfaith Dialogue Week; musical performances–intercommunity choir; television programmes; discussions and round tables (cultures-religions of the world); events staged by foreign students on their different cultures and traditions; painting exhibitions and intercommunity cultural evenings.

- UNESCO Chair “Memory, Cultures and Interculturality.” (Lyon, France)
 - “Translation and Intercultural Dialogue” (November 2009- November 2010, Catholic University of Lyon)
 - Project « Linguistic and ethnic diversity, translation and intercultural dialogue » (4 February 2010 – 24 November 2010, Catholic University of Lyon)

- UNESCO Transdisciplinary Chair in Human Development and Culture of Peace (Florence, Italy): Community of practice on interfaith and intercultural dialogue for international understanding (results of the community of practices in international meetings at UNESCO and other locations made available by the participants)

- International Institute for the Study of Nomadic Civilizations (IISNC), Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia (<http://www.nomadic.mn/>):
 - Organization of an expedition on national minority problems of the reindeer people of Mongolia, Russia and China (Spring 2010);
 - International conference on “Cultural Heritage/Diversity of the Nomads”(July 2010);
 - International Youth Summer School “Let’s develop intercultural dialogue!” (June-July 2010)

- International Institute for Central Asian Studies (IICAS), Samarkand, Uzbekistan (<http://www.iicas-unesco.org>) project “Cross-reading of the History of Civilizations of Central Asia through the prism of intercultural dialogue” (March 2010–December 2011).

UNESCO

(It should be noted most of the projects submitted by UNESCO (Headquarters and Field Offices as well as category 2 Institutes and UNESCO Chairs) require extrabudgetary funds/budgetary allocation)

- **Official launching of the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures (18 February 2010, Paris)**
 - **First meeting of the UNESCO High Level Panel on Peace and Dialogue among Cultures**
 - **Gala Evening**
- Tri-partite meeting (UNESCO, OIF, ISESCO) to define common strategies and projects for the launching of the International Year 2010 in January 2010 (as a follow-up of the Kairouan conference, 2-4 June 2009 organized by OIF/ISESCO)

Culture Sector

- Eighth Regional Summit of Heads of State of South East Europe (Turkey): “ Music as a Metaphor of Cultural Dialogue” (23 June 2010)
- Sharjah Award Prize Ceremony for Arab culture and Forum on dialogues between Arab culture and other cultures, with the participation of eminent members of the international jury and the 2009 laureates (February 2010)
- On the occasion of the International Mother Language Day (21-22 February), International symposium on Translation and Intercultural Mediation (22 – 23 February 2010, themes: “Bridging global and local languages”, “Translation, mutual understanding and stereotypes”, “Translation and cultural mediation”)
- World Book and Copyright Day (23 April 2010)
Round Table of the Nobel Prize in Literature around the theme of the Rapprochement of Cultures
- In the framework of UNESCO’s sponsorship of the “Night of Museums”, UNESCO will propose a programme concerning the theme of “rapprochement of cultures” and museums wishing to associate themselves are welcome to do so. Additionally, UNESCO (Fontenoy) will be open to the public from 8pm and

guided visits of the art inside the building will be available (15 May 2010)

- In the framework of the Festival of Cultural Diversity (21-28 May 2010):
 - Gala evening to celebrate the Rapprochement of Cultures through the performing arts
 - Presentation of an African-American/American dance performance dealing with issues of memory, history and contemporary African and diasporic African identity (HQ)
 - Poster exhibition on 2010 – 30 graphic designs from around the world (CLT)
 - As part of the Celebration of the International Day for Cultural Diversity (21 May, UNESCO HQ), An exhibition of mosaics created by artists from Caucasus, Baltic countries and France during the workshop "Signs of identity, Signs of Diversity", Riga, November 2009, within the framework of the Project Caucasus on the theme of creativity as a vector of intercultural dialogue.
- In the framework of the World Conference on Arts Education in Seoul: a plenary session consecrated to the Rapprochement of Cultures (25-28 May 2010)
- In the framework of the third AoC Forum (28 – 29 May 2010, Brazil), the organization of:
 - A seminar on intercultural citizenship
 - A UNESCO seminar for youth of Latin America on interreligious dialogue: their experiences and needs (CLT/CPD)
 - Presentation of the Intercultural "Vademecum" program financed by the Spanish authorities
 - Other projects to be identified and further developed
- UNESCO-Aschberg Bursaries for Artists (Artists contributing to the rapprochement of cultures).
- International Fund for the Promotion of Culture (IFPC) (Project directly linked to the rapprochement of cultures).
- South East Europe World Heritage Youth Forum: World Heritage education as a factor for rebuilding trust and reconciliation (UNESCO World Heritage Center in cooperation with Slovenian and Croatian National Commissions, Autumn 2010)
- Project "Enlightening interrelations and promoting dialogues: museums as civic spaces for developing intercultural skills"

- In the framework of the General Assembly of the States Parties to the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: exhibition on the theme of the Rapprochement of cultures (June 2010)
- On the occasion of the International Day of Indigenous People: Side event at the 9th session of the UN permanent forum on Indigenous Issues (19-30 April) devoted to the theme “Development with Culture and Identity” in light of article 3 and 23 of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (to be confirmed)
- International seminar « The Role of the Religious Communities in the Management of the World Heritage properties” (November 2010, World Heritage Center, Ukraine)
- Forum of Civil society preceding the 5th session of the Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage on the theme “The Role of Civil Society in the Rapprochement of Cultures (Kenya, CLT/ITH)
- Report to the UN General Assembly and key event at the UN Headquarters in New York (to be confirmed, December 2010)
- Children’s Performing Arts Festival of East Asia (CPAF): special emphasis on the rapprochement of cultures for the 2010 edition of the Festival
- Itinerant Photography Exhibit
 - “The Rapprochement of Cultures as seen by famous photographers “Culture to Culture
 - The World Heritage Sites as seen by photographers from diverse cultures
- 2nd edition of the UNESCO World Forum on Culture and Cultural Industries on “The book, Translation, and Digital Culture as bridges between Cultures”
- Production of Arabic and Spanish versions and dissemination of an audiovisual product on “Intercultural borrowings and impact in the Mediterranean world” (February 2010)
- Launching of the Database of good practices for the promotion of intercultural dialogue (March 2010)
- Launching of a competition on a series of posters devoted to 2010 in partnership with SDN21 (Jan-March 2010) Poster

exhibit during the International Festival of Cultural Diversity highlighting 30 graphic designs from around the world created for the International Year of the Rapprochement of Cultures (May 2010)

- Within the Framework of the Arabia Plan, organisation of a series of events (conference, expo and concerts) on Music as a vector of intercultural dialogue, the case of Arab music (HQ, April 2010)
- Dissemination of studies on intercultural competencies undertaken during 2009 (July 2010)
- Creation of an interactive website and a virtual forum of exchange, dialogue, and experiences in partnership with the Alliance of Civilizations (September 2010)
- Translation (English, French, Arabic, Spanish) and dissemination of the Intercultural Vademecum (scientific, philosophical, literary and artistic anthology of the Arab-Muslim civilization and its contribution to the renewal of Western thought and culture) (November 2010)
- Photo exhibition “Recognizing Our Cultural Heritage: An American and Flemish Dialogue” (UNESCO HQ, Paris, 7 April 2010 – 26 April 2010, Intangible Heritage Section of UNESCO)
- Third Global Seminar on Linguistic Diversity, Globalization and Development : this seminar represents the continuation of a series of seminars initiated by the United Nations in New York to bring the International Year of Languages 2008 to an end and as a contribution to the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures (Linguamón-House of Languages in partnership with UNESCO and the Bibliotheca Alexandrina, 28 November – 1 December 2010, Alexandria, Egypt)
- World Poetry Day “The Words of Nature, the Nature of Words” (22 March 2010, UNESCO HQ in Paris)

Interfaith Dialogue:

- Launch of the UNESCO Chair of Interreligious Understanding and Relations at Victoria University, Wellington, and preparatory work toward a workshop on interfaith in the Pacific Region (26 – 29 February 2010, Wellington, New Zealand)

- In the framework of the Third Forum the Alliance of Civilisations, organization of a UNESCO seminar for youth of Latin America on interreligious dialogue: (Rio de Janeiro, May 2010)
- Meeting of the Network of UNESCO Chairs of Interreligious Dialogue for Intercultural Understanding devoted to 2010 (November 2010)
- Organisation of a Seminar on “Religious Roots of Phobias” (HQ, November 2010)
- Photographic exhibition entitled “Reporters of Peace” on the holy sites embodying interfaith dialogue (December 2010)

UNESCO General and regional Histories:

- Launching of the restructured website on the General History of Africa, including the new phase on its pedagogic use (June 2010)
- Production and Dissemination of a film on the UNESCO Histories in English, French and Spanish entitled “*The UNESCO General and Regional Histories: a significant contribution to the dialogue between cultures*” (March 2010)
- Production and Dissemination of the electronic version on DVD of the volumes of the History of Civilizations of Central Asia in English (March 2010)
- Production and Dissemination of the electronic version on DVD on the volumes of the General History of Africa in English and French (September 2010)
- Organization of an event around the crucial moments of dialogue (including inventions such as writing, paper, and printing) (HQ, October 2010)
- Organisation of an International Conference on the Interactions Between Africa and Asia (in particular China, India) (November 2010)

Slave Route Project:

- Presentation and distribution of the documentary film “*Slave Routes: A Global Vision*” translated into French, English, and Spanish (February 2010)
- Organisation of an International Conference on “History, Memory, and The Rapprochement of Cultures” (HQ, April 2010)

- Presentation of an African-American/American dance performance dealing with issues of memory, history, and contemporary African and diasporic African identity (HQ, May 2010)
- Organisation of an international seminar on the psychological consequences of slavery (Montreal, Canada , June 2010)
- Presentation of the first results of the Atlas of interactions and of the African Diaspora at the occasion of the International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition (23 August 2010)
- International Conference on “The Slave Route Project: 15 years Later” to mark its launching in Ouidah, Benin (August 2010)

Natural Sciences Sector

- International Conference on Biological and Cultural Diversity to be held in Montréal 9-11 June 2010 in the framework of IYB, as a contribution to 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures, and organization of an evening public lecture and social event on the second day of the conference on the theme 2010 IYB and IYRC
- The IHP project on water and cultural diversity: cooperation with the Culture Sector on the theme "Water and cultural heritage, source of inspiration and dialogue in Europe and Circum-Mediterranean region" (on-going)
- Meeting on Water and Culture expected to be held late 2010 in Chile

Education Sector

- Development of policy dialogue on human rights education
- Coordination of the collection and dissemination of evidence-based research, guidelines and good practices on Quality Education for All and pilot-testing of innovative educational materials
- Inclusion: Reaching the marginalized and integrating gender in education

- Human rights, cultural diversity and gender quality dimensions in education for sustainable development
- Reinforcing South-South and North-South-South inter-university cooperation in support of Education for All and the Millenium Development Goals, notably through the creation of sub-regional poles of excellence and innovation

Communication and Information Sector

- Further development of the World Digital Library
- “Power of Peace Initiative. Cross-Cultural dialogue and mutual understanding project” (comprises The Power of Peace Network (PPN), an interactive platform that seeks to harness innovative mechanisms to promote peace through media and ICTs; The 2nd Global Forum for the Power of Peace was held in 2009)
- Promoting the role of dialogue among media professionals in areas of open and post-conflict situations and promotion of networking and exchange activities
- The “International Programme for Development of Communication”
- In the framework of The Power of Peace Network the sector organizes:
 - “PEACE-it-Together” initiative: activities for youth aiming to identify the state of peace in their respective country, identify the main reasons peace is being jeopardized in their countries, and the possible solutions to restore or to improve peace in their country.
 - “UNESCO Peace Workshop for Youth” : 2-day peace workshop forming a working group for the studies and curriculum building focusing on youth and peace (Rhodes University, South Africa; University for Peace, San Jose, Costa Rica; Waterloo University, Canada)
 - Project “Partnering with Youth and Peace Organizations and Augmenting PPN website” : finding partnerships and focusing on interactivity
 - Creation of a UNESCO lecture series on themes related essentially on “Peace” but through the perspective of Education, Science, Culture and Communication.

- Support of networks such as the www.aycn.net which is a global network of students of journalism and communication and get them to organize an international essay competition on the perception of youth on each other's cultures. Eventually, UNESCO could also organize a video competition on people's perception of other cultures and broadcast these videos through the web or even through the mainstream media. This project too could be sponsored by a media or television company.

Social and Human Sciences Sector

- Arab-Muslim civilization from a philosophical perspective: stories of itineraries, meetings, bridges and dialogues. The project is implemented jointly by SHS and ED sectors in the framework of the intersectoral platform on contributing to the dialogue among civilizations and cultures and a culture of peace.
- New Interregional Philosophical Dialogues (to be organized between Africa and the America on the theme "Africa and its Diaspora". This activity will be carried out in cooperation with Purdue University (USA). The idea with this particular dialogue is to create a network of philosophers from the two regions and to foster academic and research exchanges between universities and philosophy institutions on themes of joint interest, such as: migrations, philosophical heritage, human dignity, etc. This activity is being prepared closely with Purdue University and is planned for 2011.
- Award Ceremony of the 2010 UNESCO/Bilbao Prize for the Promotion of a Culture of Human Rights (scheduled to be held on 10 December 2010 in Bilbao, Spain)
- International launching of the International Centre for the Advancement of Human Rights in Buenos Aires under the auspices of UNESCO (May/June 2010, Buenos Aires, Argentina)
- 2010 World Forum on Human Rights (28 June – 1 July 2010 Nantes, France). The Forum will focus on the global crisis and its impact on human rights.
- Support evidence-based research on the link between cultural diversity, intercultural and interfaith dialogue initiatives and social cohesion and integration, particularly with regards to their relevant impact and implications for youth development and civic engagement

- Review and evaluate policies affecting youth through the “Cultural diversity lens” - a tool developed by the Culture Sector in order to mainstream cultural diversity into sectoral policies - and other relevant tools
- Support youth initiatives addressing the link between cultural diversity, intercultural and interfaith dialogue initiatives and social cohesion and integration
- Planning meeting for UN Agencies to discuss the inter-agency work including the approach to the International Year of Youth: Dialogue and Mutual Understanding commencing on 12 August 2010
- The programme «Dialogue in Civil Societies: Israël/Palestine »
- High-level Forum for the Horn of Africa : The Greater Horn Horizon Forum : Dialogue in Civil Societies in the Horn of Africa
- Forum of Arab-African Dialogue on Democracy and Human Rights, Cairo, Egypt, December 2010
- Research work on democracy and culture conducted by the International Center of Human Sciences (Category 2 Institute) of Byblos (Lebanon)
- Colloquia in the framework of the World Conference for Youth (Mexico, 24 – 27 August 2010)
- Travelling Exhibition on Traditional Games and Sports
The exhibition would tour all regions, notably Africa, and will end in Durban, South Africa, during the World Forum on Sports, Education and Culture, organized by the COI, in December 2010
- Conference with high level personalities on the theme “The link between the Right to Participate in Cultural Life and the Rapprochement of Cultures »
- Asia-Arab Interregional Philosophical Dialogues on the Theme “Culture of Peace and Human Dignity” (1 January 2010 – 31 December 2011)
- Coalition of Cities Against Discrimination in Asia and the Pacific - Cities for Peace under the theme "Rapprochement of Culture" (1 January 2010 – 31 December 2011)

- United for Peace in Asia and the Pacific: Strengthening & Expanding Regional Peace and Security (1 January 2010 – 31 December 2011). Regional Dialogue on Peace and Security in Asia and the Pacific is being convened within the framework of the International Culture of Peace Decade and the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures. The conference will be held on 21-22 September 2010.

Africa Department

- Directory and teaching (popularization) of African and Afro-American religions for the dialogue of civilizations (June-December 2010)
- Regional and sub-regional integration as a tool for the Rapprochement of Cultures
- The teaching of history as pacific coexistence of peoples

UNESCO Mediterranean Programme, UNESCO Office in Cairo, in partnership with the League of Arab States, ISESCO, ALECSO, The Swedish Institute in Alexandria and the Anna Lindh Foundation, and also in cooperation with the Georg Eckert Institute

- Production of a Guidebook "On a Common Path", in five languages for European and Arab History Textbook Authors. Expected launching time in November 2010.

Bureau of Strategic Planning

Division for Gender Equality

- Organization of a series of events, in collaboration with a diverse range of partners, that will take place at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris from **8 to 19 March 2010** to celebrate International Women's Day:
 - High Level Round Table on "Beijing + 15" (8 March 2010)
 - Round Table on "Women and Science": Challenges Ahead" (8 March 2010)
 - Musical evening: concert with international artists Melissa Laveaux, Ghaliya Benali and Fatoumata Diawara (8 March 2010)

- Exhibition : Women's lives – Recto-verso, Ingrid Leddet, France (8-19 March 2010)
- Exhibition : “Real Beauty”, Claudia DeMonte, USA (8-19 March 2010)
- Exhibition and exchange : « Living Ancestors », Ms. Gabrielle Leroux, Dominica (8-19 March 2010)
- Exhibition : « Art Kassena : femmes artistes de Tiébélé », Ms. Kaïdin-Monique le Houelleur, Côte d'Ivoire (8-19 March 2010)
- Exhibition : « Colors and light », Ms. Watana Noonpackdee Butori, Thailand (8-19 March 2010)
- Exhibition : “Woman: Sustainability and Peace”, Ms. Savitri Suwansathit, Thailand (8-19 March 2010)
- Round Table “Freedom of Expression and Women’s Rights in Africa” (16 March 2010)

UNESCO FIELD OFFICES

Africa

UNESCO Office in Kinshasa – Ministries of the Environment, Justice and Culture

- National conference for the integration of indigenous Pygmy peoples

UNESCO Office in Bujumbura:

- Regional meeting for exchange and dialogue among religious leaders (Rwanda, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Congo Brazzaville and Burundi), with the participation of intellectuals and humanists from civil society of the five countries (March-August 2010)
- Strengthening and extension of local peace structures

UNESCO Office in Libreville in collaboration with several UNESCO partners:

- UNESCO contest « Independences and culture of peace » open to young artists of the Academies and Schools of Arts of

Brazzaville, Kinshasa, Libreville, Malabo et Sao Tomé et Príncipe
(October 2010)

UNESCO Office in Yaoundé:

- Improvement of accessibility and quality of education (Education Sector)

UNESCO Office in Windhoek:

- Event by the Windhoek field office during the World Cup (soccer) in South Africa (summer 2010)

Arab States

UNESCO Office in Beirut: (in cooperation with the Lebanese National Commission for UNESCO)

- Project of Cultural Reconciliation among Lebanese University Students “Youth Empowerment for Cultural Rights” (March 2010 – March 2012)

Asia and the Pacific

UNESCO Office in Almaty :

- Conduction of the Central Asian education forum, marking the year 2010 with a presentation of key speaker from culture unit promoting the use of the Cultural Diversity Lens Toolkit (Dushanbe, to be confirmed)
- Development of the CD with the ESD-related content of teaching-learning materials for secondary schools based on Central Asia priorities for sustainable development.
- Conduction of the ISARM sub-regional inventory of transboundary groundwater resources workshop in Central Asia marking the year 2010 with a presentation of key speaker from culture unit promoting the use of the Cultural Diversity Lens Toolkit
- A special edition of the American University of Central Asia’s Central Asia Migration Research Network Newsletter acknowledging the Year and featuring a discussion on the cultural contributions of migrants to countries of destination
- During the first Forum of Social Ministers in Central Asia, an intervention will be made on the value of cultural dialogue and

social inclusion as a critical element of sustainable development (planned for late 2010)

- UNESCO Almaty SHS presentations made at meetings and seminars on international migration and/or human rights during 2010
- Festival and presentation of the album “The children of the world are painting. Central Asia”, scheduled to be published in 2010 and fully devoted to the 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures (in Astana, September 2010)
- Support of the Women’s Cultural Network and the web-site with a view to emphasize the positive role of women in fostering cultural dialogue and cooperation in Central Asia and contribute to the year of 2010 proclaimed as the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures
- Conduction of half-day meetings marking the 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures by UNESCO Chairs on Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue in Central Asia
- Conduction of the Award of Excellence for Handicrafts programme in West-Central Asia in 2010 and holding the Jury meeting in Kazakhstan in cooperation with Central Asian Craft Support Association – CACSA and the Ministry of Culture of Kazakhstan
- Celebration of the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development in partnership with the Assembly of People of the Republic of Kazakhstan marking the 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures by conduction of folk concert (21 May 2010)
- Implementation of the UNESCO additional programme entitled "Sustainable development of Arts Education to promote the diversity of cultural expressions", with emphasis on 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures

UNESCO Office in Bangkok:

- Regional meeting on the Intangible Heritage shared in the Asia-Pacific region

Latin America and the Caribbean

UNESCO Office in Santiago:

- Joint Programme on Conflict Prevention and Peace Building “National capacity-building for intercultural conflict prevention and management in Chile (2009-2011)
- Seminar “Implementation of the Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions in Latin America” (March 2010)

UNESCO Office in Havana:

- The online Portal of Culture of Latin America and the Caribbean – one issue to be devoted to 2010
- Forum of the Ministers of Culture and Officials in Charge of Cultural Policies in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Journal “ORALIDAD” edited and published by the UNESCO Regional Office for Culture
- XVII Forum of Ministers of Culture and Officials in Charge of Cultural Policies in Latin America and the Caribbean (12-13 April 2010, Quito, Ecuador)

UNESCO Office in Brasilia:

- The Priceless Values Seminars
- Annual Gandhi Weeks / Peace Wants Partners / Gandhi Network will be devoted to 2010 Year (2 October 2010)

UNESCO Office in Kingston:

- Launching of Multimedia Versions of the General History of the Caribbean

UNESCO Office in Mexico:

- The project “Water as tool for mutual understanding” (Chiapas, Mexico, April–October 2010)

UNESCO Office in Montevideo:

- “The Slave Route and memorial sites and places in Río de la Plata” (Uruguay and Argentina).
- “Cultural itineraries of MERCOSUR”
- Distribution of “The General History of Latin America” published by UNESCO.

UNESCO Office in San José:

- Capacity-building for media and ICT development, for the empowerment of marginalized communities, with special emphasis on women, youth, and indigenous groups

- Public Service, Public Interest and Alternative Broadcasting (including community broadcast media) as instruments for strengthening access to information, knowledge and good governance

UNESCO Office in Quito:

- State of the art on the inclusion of sustainable development and culture of peace of basic education in Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela
- 6th Annual Literary Contest "Book and Rose Day" : on the occasion of the World Book and Copyright Day (23 April), the winners will be announced (3 February 2010 – 23 April 2010, Ecuador)

Europe

UNESCO Office in Moscow:

- The project "Arts education in the CIS countries : building creative capacities for the 21st century" (January-November 2010)
- Project "Promoting cultural policy in CIS countries for intercultural dialogue" (November 2010)
- Roads of Culture and Tourism for rapprochement of cultures in the CIS countries (January 2010)