Figure 3.4: Women as a share of total researchers (HC), 2018 or closest year (%)

33.3%

Share of women among researchers worldwide
Regional shares of female researchers, 2013 (%)

- Southeast Europe: 51.2%
- Latin America and the Caribbean: 49.8%
- West Asia: 48.3%
- Central Asia: 44.9%
- Arab States: 42.6%
- Eastern Europe: 41.8%
- European Free Trade Association: 36.6%
- European Union: 33.8%
- Sub-Saharan Africa: 33.5%
- Southeast Asia: 26.3%

Note: Data are for the most recent year since 2015. There are no available data for some of the most populous countries: Bangladesh, Brazil, China, India, Nigeria and USA; this limitation compromises the reliability of the global total and most regional totals. There is no regional total for South Asia or Oceania because data are available for only one or two countries. Eastern Europe excludes countries that are members of the European Union.

Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics

Spotlight on Europe

33.8%

Share of women among researchers in the European Union

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