

**Post Title:** Director, UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning (UIL)  
**Post Number:** 1DEED0001UI  
**Grade:** D-2  
**Parent Sector:** Education Sector  
**Duty Station:** Hamburg, Germany  
**Job Family:** Education  
**Type of contract:** Fixed-Term  
**Duration of contract:** 2 years, renewable – maximum duration 6 years  
**Recruitment open to:** Internal and external candidates  
**Application Deadline (midnight, Paris time):** 30 May 2023

UNESCO Core Values: Commitment to the Organization, Integrity, Respect for Diversity, Professionalism

### OVERVIEW OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE POST

The International Institute for Lifelong Learning (UIL) is an integral part of UNESCO's Education Sector, operating with statutory institutional autonomy under the guidance of its Governing Board. UIL promotes an integrated vision of lifelong learning, with a focus on literacy, non-formal education and adult learning and education (ALE). The mission of UIL is to promote lifelong learning through policy advice, capacity building, research, advocacy and partnership building.

Under the authority of UNESCO's Director-General, and the direct supervision of the Assistant Director-General for Education, the incumbent provides intellectual leadership and strategic vision to UIL's programme and staff. She/he proposes to the UIL's Governing Board for its approval, operational plans and associated budgets. The incumbent will also ensure that UIL fully contributes to the achievement of UNESCO's Education programme objectives in the context of implementation of the Goal 4 (Education) of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda. The incumbent is responsible for administering the Institute and for planning, executing and reporting on its programme and budget. The incumbent's responsibilities also include human resource planning, recruitment, and performance management in order to develop motivated and effective teams with appropriate competencies to achieve UIL's objectives; resource mobilization; and acting as the external advocate for UIL, liaising with financial partners, and with UIL's other stakeholders.

### COMPETENCIES (Core/Managerial)

Communication (C)  
 Accountability (C)  
 Innovation (C)  
 Knowledge sharing and continuous improvement (C)  
 Planning and organizing (C)  
 Results focus (C)  
 Teamwork (C)  
 Professionalism (C)

Building partnerships (M)  
 Driving and managing change (M)  
 Strategic thinking (M)  
 Making quality decisions (M)  
 Managing performance (M)  
 Leading and empowering others (M)

For detailed information, please consult the [UNESCO Competency Framework](#).

### REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

#### Education

- Advanced university degree (Master's or equivalent) in education or related social sciences fields.

#### Work Experience

- Minimum 15 years of progressively responsible relevant professional experience in the field of education at national and international level, including several years of experience in senior management positions.
- Experience in resource mobilization and partnership development.

#### Skills and Competencies

- Commitment to the Organization's and Institute's mandate, vision and strategic direction, as well as its priorities.
- Proven leadership and managerial skills, a broad general culture and sound analytical capacities, high sense of objectivity, professional integrity and political astuteness.
- Ability to direct, change processes at the management level, and familiarity with the administration of an institution accountable to governing bodies.
- Ability for strategic planning and management and demonstrated ability to translate strategy into priorities and action, and effectively plan, mobilize and manage resources to deliver results.
- Ability to communicate effectively and persuasively, orally and in writing, with strong representational abilities.
- Demonstrated ability to mobilize resources in an entrepreneurial spirit, and in support of institutional development.
- Relevant research ability to identify emerging educational needs to which an international research and training programme could make a substantial contribution, as well as exploring new avenues and patterns of action.
- Demonstrated interpersonal skills and ability to provide intellectual leadership and motivate teams in a multicultural environment, as well as ensure training and development of staff.

### Languages

- Excellent knowledge (written and spoken) of English or French and good working knowledge of the other.

## DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS

### Education

- A PhD in education or other related social science fields.
- Other degrees or short- to medium-term training in disciplines relevant to the post.

### Work experience

- Experience in research and development in areas related to lifelong learning.
- Experience the field of international relations and diplomacy, multilateral cooperation and development.
- Experience in the United Nations system.
- Experience in donor relations.
- Strong global professional network.

### Skills and Competencies

- Understanding of UNESCO's strategic direction and familiarity of UNESCO's operations.
- Knowledge of agile working methodology.
- Understanding of the functioning of the United Nations system globally and coordination mechanism of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.

### Languages

- Knowledge of other official UNESCO languages (Arabic, Chinese, Russian or Spanish).

## BENEFITS AND ENTITLEMENTS

UNESCO's salaries consist of a basic salary and other benefits which may include if applicable: 30 days annual leave, family allowance, medical insurance, pension plan etc.

The approximate annual starting salary for this post is US \$139,412.

For full information on benefits and entitlements, please consult our [Guide to Staff Benefits](#). Please note that UNESCO is a non-smoking Organization.

## SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT PROCESS

Please note that all candidates must complete an on-line application and provide complete and accurate information.

To apply, please visit the [UNESCO Careers website](#). No modifications can be made to the application submitted.

The evaluation of candidates is based on the criteria in the vacancy notice, and may include tests and/or assessments, as well as a competency-based interview.

UNESCO uses communication technologies such as video or teleconference, e-mail correspondence, etc. for the assessment and evaluation of candidates.

Please note that only selected candidates will be further contacted and candidates in the final selection step will be subject to reference checks based on the information provided.

UNESCO recalls that paramount consideration in the appointment of staff members shall be the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, technical competence and integrity. UNESCO applies a zero-tolerance policy against all forms of harassment. UNESCO is committed to achieving and sustaining equitable and diverse geographical distribution, as well as gender parity among its staff members in all categories and at all grades. Furthermore, UNESCO is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture. Candidates from non- and under-represented Member States ([last update here](#)) are particularly welcome and strongly encouraged to apply. Individuals from minority groups and indigenous groups and persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with the highest level of confidentiality. Worldwide mobility is required for staff members appointed to international posts. UNESCO does not charge a fee at any stage of the recruitment process.

**Representation of Member States in posts subject  
to geographical distribution as at 31 March 2023**

<b>Representation above range</b>	<b>Representation within range</b>	<b>Representation below range</b>	<b>Not represented</b>
Algeria	Afghanistan	Albania	Andorra
Argentina	Australia	Angola	Bahamas
Belgium	Austria	Antigua and Barbuda	Bahrain
Benin	Azerbaijan	Armenia	Bhutan
Cameroon	Bolivia (Plurinational State of) Bosnia and Herzegovina	Bangladesh	Brunei Darussalam
Colombia	Brazil	Barbados	Central African Republic
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Bulgaria	Belarus	Chad
Ethiopia	Burkina Faso	Belize	Dominican Republic
Finland	Burundi	Botswana	El Salvador
France	Cambodia	Cabo Verde	Equatorial Guinea
Greece	Canada	China	Guatemala
Italy	Chile	Cook Islands	Guyana
Kenya	Comoros	Costa Rica	Haiti
Lebanon	Congo	Croatia	Iceland
Mexico	Côte d'Ivoire	Cyprus	Kiribati
Morocco	Cuba	Djibouti	Kuwait
Nepal	Czechia	Dominica	Lesotho
Senegal	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Eritrea	Maldives
South Africa	Denmark	Estonia	Malta
Spain	Ecuador	Fiji	Marshall Islands
Tunisia	Egypt	Ghana	Micronesia (Federated States of) Monaco
Ukraine	Eswatini	Grenada	Nauru
	Gabon	Guinea-Bissau	Niue
	Gambia	India	Palau
	Georgia	Indonesia	Panama
	Germany	Iraq	Peru
	Guinea	Ireland	Qatar
	Honduras	Kazakhstan	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Samoa
	Hungary	Latvia	San Marino
	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Liberia	Solomon Islands
	Jamaica	Madagascar	South Sudan
	Japan	Malawi	Suriname
	Jordan	Montenegro	Timor-Leste
	Kyrgyzstan	Myanmar	Tonga
	Lao People's Democratic Republic	New Zealand	Tuvalu
	Libya	Nicaragua	United Arab Emirates
	Lithuania	Nigeria	Vanuatu
	Luxembourg	North Macedonia	
	Malaysia	Norway	
	Mali	Oman	
	Mauritania	Papua New Guinea	
	Mauritius	Rwanda	
	Mongolia	Sao Tome and Principe	
	Mozambique	Saudi Arabia	
	Namibia	Serbia	
		Singapore	
		Slovakia	
		Switzerland	

**Representation  
above range****Representation  
within range****Representation  
below range****Not represented**

Netherlands  
 Niger  
 Pakistan  
 Palestine  
 Paraguay  
 Philippines  
 Poland  
 Portugal  
 Republic of Korea  
 Republic of Moldova  
 Romania  
 Russian Federation  
 Saint Kitts and Nevis  
 Saint Lucia  
 Seychelles  
 Sierra Leone  
 Slovenia  
 Somalia  
 Sri Lanka  
 Sudan  
 Sweden  
 Syrian Arab Republic  
 Togo  
 Uganda  
 United Kingdom of Great  
     Britain and Northern  
     Ireland  
 United Republic of  
     Tanzania Uruguay  
 Uzbekistan  
 Viet Nam  
 Zambia  
 Zimbabwe

Tajikistan  
 Thailand  
 Trinidad and Tobago  
 Türkiye  
 Turkmenistan  
 Venezuela (Bolivarian  
     Republic of) Yemen