



The Director-General

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Your Excellency,

Please accept my congratulations following your swearing in as President of the Islamic Republic of Iran. I wish you every success in this high office.

UNESCO enjoys a long-standing partnership with Iran, that encompasses many fields of our mandate, namely education, sciences and culture. In this regard, I congratulate Iran on the recent addition, just a couple of weeks ago, of the archaeological remains of ancient Hegmataneh to the UNESCO World Heritage List. This nearly three-millennia-old city serves as a living record of Iran's history, from the Medes to the present.

Iran also has a particularly strong commitment to the natural sciences. Your country hosts seven UNESCO Category II Centres and in 2023, Tabas and Aras were included on the UNESCO Global Geopark list.

Our Organization places dialogue, knowledge and consensus-building at the heart of its work. In this spirit, I hope that, with the support of the Tehran office, our relationship will flourish.

With my renewed congratulations, please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration and respect.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Audrey Azoulay", written over a horizontal line.

Audrey Azoulay

His Excellency Mr. Massoud Pezeshkian  
President of the Islamic Republic of Iran  
Tehran