## Importance of UNESCO and the consequences of rejection of Kosovo s bid for membership

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## Abstract

After 10 year of the independence the Republic of Kosovo is facing difficulties in joining United Nation, and his specialized agencies, also facing the difficulties, to join international organizations as a way to secure recognition and complete statehood in international arena. This document explores the quest of Kosovo and will be focus on Kosovo's application to join UNESCO, the United Nations' cultural organization, the process and procedures of application from one nonmember in UNESCO organization in our case Republic of Kosovo. It begins with the role of the Kosovo supporters in application process and their counterparts, request for the admission of the Republic of Kosovo to UNESCO, who were the sponsors and cosponsors of the request, Kosovo's institutions statements and declarations on taking the obligations according to the UNESCO constitutions.

The second part of this paper will cover procedures followed and the decision of the hundred and ninety-seventh session of the UNESCO executive board (197EX/43), distribution of votes by states in favor of Kosovo's request, votes of the states against Kosovo and votes of states with abstention and absent states on voting process.

The third part will cover the recommendation of the UNESCO executive board, and proceed the decision and recommendations to secretary in order that Kosovo request to be discussed on the General Conference, part of the general conference discussion related to the Kosovo application and voting process on the General Conference distribution of votes from the states who voted in favor, against, abstention and absence during General Conference and rejection of Kosovo bid.

And the conclusions while what are the benefits on joining the UNESCO and the consequences for Kosovo in the rejection of bid to obtain a seat at the organization UNESCO, what are the next steps and the chances of Kosovo Institution and recommendations for future, and selection of approaches on the second bid to join UNESCO in the near future.

**Keyword:** UN, UNESCO, statehood, Executive Board, General Conference, request, Republic of Kosovo, rejection.

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