Achieving Goals, Finding Partners: UIA’s Global Civil Society Database

UIA Associations Round Table Europe 2022
Brussels, Belgium
20 May 2022
What is....

Union of International Associations

• a scientific research institute
• non-governmental
• independent
• self-financing
• registered under Belgian law
Union of International Associations

- founded in Brussels, Belgium in 1907
- “Assess and describe the degree of internationalism”
- Established to facilitate, study and network associations
- Established relationship with the meetings industry
History....

Henri La Fontaine
1913 Nobel Peace Prize: “de-facto leader of the peace movement”
Founded the Belgian League for the Rights of Women in 1890

Paul Otlet
Bibliographer coined the term “links”
Founding father of modern information science
The UIA’s aims as stated in its statutes are to:

- Facilitate the evolution of the world-wide network of non-profit organizations.
- Promote understanding of how such bodies represent valid interests in every field of human activity
  - scientific, religious, artistic, educational, trade, labour.
- Collect and disseminate information on these bodies and their interrelationships.
- Present such information in experimental ways, as a catalyst for the emergence of innovative bodies.
- Promote research on the legal, administrative and other problems common to these bodies.
What does UIA do?

Documents and promotes the work of international associations
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Documents and Promotes the work of international associations

(1) by documenting global civil society activity

Sources:
- directly from international associations
- indirectly from international associations
- others (journals, CVBs, ...)

1. What is the UIA?  
www.uia.org
What does UIA do?
Documents and Promotes
the work of international associations

(2) by publishing research reports

- Yearbook of International Organizations  58th edition in 2021
- International Congress Calendar  since 1954
- International Meetings Statistics Report
- Regular surveys of association activity
- Customised reports on demand
What does UIA do?
Documents and Promotes the work of international associations

(3) by providing training and networking opportunities
• UIA Associations Round Table
• Research and Visualization experiments
• Network Facilitation
UIA’s Global Civil Society Database
- Association/Organization Profiles
  - Event Profiles
- Sustainable Development Goals
  - City & Country Profiles
  - Networks & Relationships

Yearbook of International Organizations
- Flagship publication
- Print & digital versions

Survey on International Meeting Issues
- Free digital report

International Meetings Statistics Report
- 63rd Edition
- Annual report, print & digital

International Congress Calendar
- Searchable digital publication

Encyclopedia of World Problems & Human Potential
- Free interactive online project

Customized Data & Reports
- On-demand research services

Global Civil Society Network
- Organization-specific service
Associations Database

The Yearbook of International Organizations

~75,000 profiles
This information is part of the Open Yearbook, a free service of UIA's subscription-based Yearbook of International Organizations (YBIO). It includes profiles of non-profit organizations working worldwide in all fields of activity. The information contained in the profiles and search functionality of this free service are limited.

The full-featured Yearbook of International Organizations (YBIO) includes over 72,500 organization profiles, additional information in the profiles, sophisticated search functionality and data export. For more information about YBIO, please click here or contact us.

The UIA is a leading provider of information about international non-profit organizations. The aim of the Open Yearbook is to promote the activities of international non-governmental organizations (INGOs) and intergovernmental organizations (IGOs).

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International Committee for Fair Play

Comité international pour le fair play (CIFP)
Internationales Fairplay-Komitee

Founded
1963–12–05 Paris France

History

Aims
Defend and promote fair play worldwide with: national and international organizations working for sport and education; high level athletes; children, adolescents and those in charge of training them – coaches and educationists.

Events
1997–09 | Vilnius, Lithuania – General Assembly
1995 | Rome, Italy – General Assembly
1993–11–09 | Paris, France – General Assembly
1992 | Acapulco, Mexico – General Assembly
1988–11–03 | Paris, France – General Assembly
1986–09–25 | Paris, France – Meeting
1988–11–03 | Paris, France – General Assembly
1986–09–25 | Paris, France – Meeting

Activities
Awards/prizes/competitions; projects/programmes; training/education.

Structure
General Assembly (every 2 years); Administration Council; Bureau.

Languages
- English
- French

Finance
Members’ dues. Donations.

Relations with Inter-Governmental Organizations
- B-XB3383 – UNESCO

Relations with Non-Governmental Organizations

Members
Members
National Olympic Committees in 91 countries and territories:

Member Countries & Regions
Andorra, Armenia, Neth Antilles, Argentina, Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Burkina Faso, Bulgaria, Bolivia, Brazil, Belarus, Congo Brazzaville, Switzerland, Côte d'Ivoire, Chile, Cameroon, China, Colombia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Rep, Germany, Denmark, Dominican Rep, Algeria, Ecuador, Egypt, Spain, Ethiopia, Finland, Fiji, France, Gabon, UK, Georgia, Gambia, Guinea, Greece, Guatemala, Guam, Hong Kong, Honduras, Croatia, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Laos, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Latvia, Libyan AI, Morocco, Monaco, Moldova, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Nippon, Norway, Nepal, New Zealand, Peru, Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Slovenia, Slovakia, Senegal, Suriname, Syrian AR, Togo, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, USA, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, South Africa

Other National Organizations (19) in 15 countries:

Member Countries & Regions
Argentina, Burkina Faso, Canada, Germany, Spain, France, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korea Rep, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, Portugal, USA

Individual Members (49) in 30 countries:

Member Countries & Regions
Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Switzerland, Germany, Denmark, Spain, Ethiopia, France, UK, Greece, Guatemala, Italy, Japan, Korea Rep, Kuwait, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Serbia, Russia, Togo, Turkey, USA, Venezuela

Honorary members (3) in 2 countries:

Member Countries & Regions
Belgium, France

Former Benefactor members (4) in 3 countries:

Member Countries & Regions
Germany, France, USA

Founder Members (2):

Member Organizations
Association internationale de la presse sportive, International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education

International Sports Federations (23):

Member Organizations
Federation of International Polo, Fédération internationale d'esgrime, Fédération internationale de gymnastique, Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme, Fédération internationale de volley-ball, International Association of Athletics Federations, International Biathlon Union, International Bobsleigh and Skeleton Federation, International
Type I Classification
A: Federations of international organizations

Type II Classification
y: international organization membership

Subjects
• Recreation → Sport

UIA Org ID
XA4499

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2014

† Subject classification is derived from the organization names and aims.
“ UN SDGs are linked to the subject classification.

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Global Civil Society by Location

Search for City or Country

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Global civil society activity in Netherlands

Organizations based in Netherlands

International Confederation of Midwives – The Hague
World Glaucoma Association – Amsterdam
WorldSkills International – Amsterdam
International Blind Sports Federation – Zeist
International Society for Human and Animal Mycology – ’s Hertogenbosch
International Korfball Federation – Zeist
International Society of Blood Transfusion – Amsterdam
Wetlands International – Wageningen
International Association of Penal Law – Utrecht
Childhood Cancer International – Amsterdam
International Federation of Associations of Pharmaceutical Physicians – Bodegraven
International Association of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers – The Hague
World Fair Trade Organization – Culemborg
International Committee of Museums and Collections of Arms and Military History – Soesterberg
Comité international permanent des linguistes – Leiden
World Sand Sculpting Academy – The Hague
International Association for Disability and Oral Health – Gennevilliers
International Society for Productivity Enhancement – Delft
International Pharmaceutical Students’ Federation – The Hague
International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement – Amsterdam
International Association of Dredging Companies – The Hague
International Association of Refugee and Migration Judges – Haarlem
International School Psychology Association – Amsterdam
Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield – The Hague
International Apparel Federation – Zeist

View More profiles (1345) in the Yearbook of International Organizations
### Future Events in Netherlands

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### Past Events in Netherlands

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Consists of three special municipalities: the islands of Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba. The country's official language is Dutch, with West Frisian as a secondary official language in the province of Friesland, and English and Papiamentu as secondary official languages in the Caribbean Netherlands. Dutch Low Saxon and Limburgish are recognised regional languages, while Sinte Romani and Yiddish are recognised non-territorial languages.

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### Meetings Statistics

From UIA's [International Meetings Statistics Report](http://www.uia.org/)

**Top 25 over 20 years**

Netherlands is ranked #12 over a 20 year period, with 8092 meetings since 1999.

**Top 10 in 2019**

Netherlands is ranked #12 in 2019, with 306 meetings.

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### Local UIA Partner

Amsterdam-RAI Congress Centre

Website: [http://www.rai.nl/nl/pages/default.aspx](http://www.rai.nl/nl/pages/default.aspx)

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### Local UIA Partner

Amsterdam Convention Bureau

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[Associations Database / Yearbook of International Organizations](http://www.uia.org)
Global Civil Society & the UN Sustainable Development Goals

UIA is proud to present the new Volume 6 of the Yearbook of International Organizations, entitled Global Civil Society and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

There can be little question as to the relevance of the new topic. The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (the UN SDGs) are informed by and in turn inform all global civil society actors. This 55th edition of the Yearbook contains 38,395 currently active international bodies. What, we asked, is their link with the UN SDGs? Which of the UN SDGs concern them? With which SDGs should they be concerned? What communities of international bodies form around each of the SDGs?

This is the first result of UIA’s exploration of these questions. It is but a first step in a work in progress. In the course of the next year – indeed, in the coming years – we will continue to refine the methodology used and give ever greater clarity to the scope and composition of these new communities.

Choose a goal below to view more information and a list of associated organizations:
Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls


While the world has achieved progress towards gender equality and women’s empowerment under the Millennium Development Goals (including equal access to primary education between girls and boys), women and girls continue to suffer discrimination and violence in every part of the world.

Gender equality is not only a fundamental human right, but a necessary foundation for a peaceful, prosperous and sustainable world. Unfortunately, at the current time, 1 in 5 women and girls between the ages of 15–49 have reported experiencing physical or sexual violence by an intimate partner within a 12-month period and 49 countries currently have no laws protecting women from domestic violence. Progress is occurring regarding harmful practices such as child marriage and FGM (Female Genital Mutilation), which has declined by 30% in the past decade, but there is still much work to be done to complete eliminate such practices.

Providing women and girls with equal access to education, health care, decent work, and representation in political and economic decision-making processes will fuel sustainable economies and benefit societies and humanity at large. Implementing new legal frameworks regarding female equality in the workplace and the eradication of harmful practices targeted at women is crucial to ending the gender-based discrimination prevalent in many countries around the world.

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Events Database

The International Congress Calendar

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Triennial Symposium #24

Date & Location(s):
Sandefjord, Norway

Organizer(s):
Nordic Concrete Federation (NCF)

Contact Information:
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Global civil society network for
Union of International Associations (UIA)

FORMAL RELATIONS

Consultative Status
Consultative Status Granted from:

- Special: United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- Associate Status: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- Special List: International Labour Organization (ILO)

Relations with Inter-Governmental Organizations
Associated with Department of Global Communications of the United Nations.

- Cooperates with: Council of Europe (CE)
- Cooperates with: UN Environment World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UN Environment WCMC)

Relations with Non-Governmental Organizations
Contact maintained with all international nongovernmental organizations eligible for inclusion in the 'Yearbook of International Organizations'. Proposed, 1949, the setting up of a U-X11686 – International Service Centre for and about Nongovernmental Organizations, which never materialized as such but whose functions are in part fulfilled by G-XG6805 – International Association Centre, which UIA was instrumental in setting up, 20 Aug 1982, Brussels (Belgium). Special links with: E-XE0955 – Federation of European and International Associations Established in Belgium (FAIB); E-XE0956 – Fédération des Institutions Internationales établies à Genève (FIIG); C-XC1330 – International Association of Professional Congress Organisers (IAPCO); conferences

Brussels, Belgium

There are 1080 active international associations with headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, including:
Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition Est. 2004
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Special links with: **E-XE0945 – Federation of European and International Associations Established in Belgium (FAIB)**; **E-XE0956 – Fédération des Institutions Internationales établies à Genève (FIIG)**; **C-XC1330 – International Association of Professional Congress Organisers (IAPCO)**; conferences of consultative status nongovernmental organizations; bodies using the Union’s secretariat facilities; those with which it has co-editing or co-publishing arrangements and with Associate Members.

- Member of: **Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CONGO)**
- Member of: **International Conference of NGOs**
- Member of: **Joint Meetings Industry Council (JMIC)**
- Links with: **Mundaneum**

**POTENTIAL CONNECTIONS BY SDG, SUBJECT AND GEOGRAPHY**

**UN Sustainable Development Goals**

SDG icons link to lists of organizations working around shared goals.

![SDG icons](image)

**Organizations in Belgium relating to the subject “Organization”**

**European Council of Spatial Planners** / Brussels, Belgium / Est. 1985

**Brussels, Belgium**

There are **1080** active international associations with headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, including:

- **Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition** Est. 2004
- **International Amateur Theatre Association** Est. 1952
- **International Customs Tariffs Bureau** Est. 1890
- **International Union for Housing Finance** Est. 1914
- **FID Global Alliance** Est. 1950
- **International Society for Military Law and the Law of War** Est. 1988
- **International Society of Nephrology** Est. 1960
- **International Council for Laboratory Animal Science** Est. 1956
- **World Organization of Workers** Est. 1921
- **International Federation of Journalists** Est. 1952
- **International Society of Orthopaedic Surgery and Traumatology** Est. 1929
- **World Federation of Advertisers** Est. 1953
- **Conseil international du sport militaire** Est. 1948
- **International Young Christian Workers** Est. 1945
- **International Association of Democratic Lawyers** Est. 1946
- **FIDU** Est. 2011
- **International Association of Professional Numismatists** Est. 1951
- **International Council of Chemical Associations** Est. 1989
- **Fédération Internationale de Camping, Caravaning et Autocaravanning** Est. 1932
- **World Association of Public Employment Services** Est. 1989
- **World Employment Confederation** Est. 1967
- **International Federation of Reproduction Rights Organizations**
Organizations in Belgium relating to the subject "Documentation"

- European Centre for Parliamentary Research and Documentation / Brussels, Belgium / Est. 1977
- Customs Convention Regarding ECS Carnets for Commercial Samples / Brussels, Belgium / Est. 1956
- Centre international de documentation Marguerite Yourcenar / Brussels, Belgium / Est. 1989
- Fondation Auschwitz – Centre d’études et de documentation / Brussels, Belgium / Est. 1980
- European Institute for Health Records / Ghent, Belgium
- Customs Convention on the ATA Carnet for the Temporary Admission of Goods / Brussels, Belgium / Est. 1961
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**SELECTED PROBLEMS**

**Natural environment degradation**
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OTHER NAMES:
Ecological destruction
Degradation of ecological resources
Ecological damage
Depletion of natural resources
Terracide
Erosion of environmental carrying capacity
 Destruction of wilderness areas
Disruption of ecosystems by human activity

NATURE:
Natural environment degradation refers to the destruction and loss of native species and natural processes such that only certain components of the original biodiversity and ecological functions persist, often with significantly altered natural communities. The main impact of these changes is to simplify the Earth and simplification itself leads to the danger of collapse. By the mid-21st century, humans will have transformed almost every part of the planet, apart from uninhabitable stretches such as deserts, mountains, tundra and polar regions.

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Thank you!

I look forward to speaking with you throughout the Round Table.

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