

Figure 0.2.3. Current overview

Participation in intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) by continent: 2003

These tables provide an overview of participation, through membership, of different continents in intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) of different organization types. The types are grouped within clusters* (as introduced in Figure 0.1). The summary is by type and continent, with percentages. For example, there are 2,366 African members of IGOs classified as conventional international bodies (irrespective of where the IGO is headquartered), being 39.53% of the African members of IGOs in Cluster I, 27.57% of the African members of this type of IGO, 2.48% of the African members of all IGOs and 0.46% of the African members all organizations (whether IGO or NGO). Globally, there are 16,005 members of IGOs classified as unconventional international bodies.

Figure 0.2.4. provides similar data for NGOs. Figures 0.2.1. and 0.2.2. are condensed versions of these data. Figure 2.1.1. has more detail on participation. For information on organization types in the *Yearbook of International Organizations*, see Appendix "Types of organization".

International organizations (Cluster I)

Description	Yearbook types	Africa					America					Asia				
		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Conventional international bodies	A-D	2366	39.53%	27.57%	2.48%	0.46%	1670	34.65%	19.46%	1.75%	0.33%	1707	37.89%	19.89%	1.79%	0.33%
Unconventional international bodies	F	3619	60.47%	22.61%	3.79%	0.71%	3149	65.35%	19.68%	3.30%	0.62%	2798	62.11%	17.48%	2.93%	0.55%
Total		5985	100.00%	24.34%	6.27%	1.17%	4819	100.00%	19.60%	5.05%	0.94%	4505	100.00%	18.32%	4.72%	0.88%

Description	Yearbook types	Australasia / Oceania					Europe					The World				
		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Conventional international bodies	A-D	332	27.85%	3.87%	0.35%	0.07%	2507	31.00%	29.21%	2.62%	0.49%	8582	34.90%	100.00%	8.99%	1.68%
Unconventional international bodies	F	860	72.15%	5.37%	0.90%	0.17%	5579	69.00%	34.86%	5.84%	1.09%	16005	65.10%	100.00%	16.76%	3.14%
Total		1192	100.00%	4.85%	1.25%	0.23%	8086	100.00%	32.89%	8.47%	1.58%	24587	100.00%	100.00%	25.74%	4.82%

Dependent bodies (Cluster II)

Description	Yearbook types	Africa					America					Asia				
		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies	E	4657	89.32%	25.21%	4.88%	0.91%	3729	88.74%	20.18%	3.90%	0.73%	3233	85.39%	17.50%	3.39%	0.63%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	557	10.68%	16.04%	0.58%	0.11%	473	11.26%	13.62%	0.50%	0.09%	553	14.61%	15.92%	0.58%	0.11%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0					0					0				
Total		5214	100.00%	23.76%	5.46%	1.02%	4202	100.00%	19.15%	4.40%	0.82%	3786	100.00%	17.25%	3.96%	0.74%

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		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies	E	826	87.41%	4.47%	0.86%	0.16%	6030	77.30%	32.64%	6.31%	1.18%	18475	84.18%	100.00%	19.34%	3.62%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	119	12.59%	3.43%	0.12%	0.02%	1771	22.70%	50.99%	1.85%	0.35%	3473	15.82%	100.00%	3.64%	0.68%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0					0					0				
Total		945	100.00%	4.31%	0.99%	0.19%	7801	100.00%	35.54%	8.17%	1.53%	21948	100.00%	100.00%	22.98%	4.30%

Organizational substitutes (Cluster III)

Description	Yearbook types	Africa					America					Asia				
		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Autonomous conference series Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	S	26	0.39%	16.05%	0.03%	0.01%	16	0.22%	9.88%	0.02%	0.00%	32	0.67%	19.75%	0.03%	0.01%
	T	6699	99.61%	18.56%	7.01%	1.31%	7405	99.78%	20.52%	7.75%	1.45%	4748	99.33%	13.16%	4.97%	0.93%
	Total	6725	100.00%	18.55%	7.04%	1.32%	7421	100.00%	20.47%	7.77%	1.45%	4780	100.00%	13.19%	5.00%	0.94%

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		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Autonomous conference series Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	S	13	1.01%	8.02%	0.01%	0.00%	75	0.47%	46.30%	0.08%	0.01%	162	0.45%	100.00%	0.17%	0.03%
	T	1280	98.99%	3.55%	1.34%	0.25%	15954	99.53%	44.21%	16.70%	3.13%	36086	99.55%	100.00%	37.78%	7.07%
	Total	1293	100.00%	3.57%	1.35%	0.25%	16029	100.00%	44.22%	16.78%	3.14%	36248	100.00%	100.00%	37.95%	7.10%

National bodies (Cluster IV)

Description	Yearbook types	Africa					America					Asia				
		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Internationally oriented national organizations National organizations	G	118	100.00%	30.65%	0.12%	0.02%	91	100.00%	23.64%	0.10%	0.02%	61	100.00%	15.84%	0.06%	0.01%
	N	0					0					0				
	Total	118	100.00%	30.65%	0.12%	0.02%	91	100.00%	23.64%	0.10%	0.02%	61	100.00%	15.84%	0.06%	0.01%

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Internationally oriented national organizations National organizations	G	7	100.00%	1.82%	0.01%	0.00%	108	100.00%	28.05%	0.11%	0.02%	385	100.00%	100.00%	0.40%	0.08%
	N	0					0					0				
	Total	7	100.00%	1.82%	0.01%	0.00%	108	100.00%	28.05%	0.11%	0.02%	385	100.00%	100.00%	0.40%	0.08%

Inactive, unconfirmed and excluded bodies (Cluster V)

Description	Yearbook types	Africa					America					Asia				
		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations	H	1788	50.68%	39.48%	1.87%	0.35%	758	29.51%	16.74%	0.79%	0.15%	783	36.33%	17.29%	0.82%	0.15%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	73	2.07%	39.46%	0.08%	0.01%	26	1.01%	14.05%	0.03%	0.01%	55	2.55%	29.73%	0.06%	0.01%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	1667	47.25%	21.87%	1.75%	0.33%	1785	69.48%	23.41%	1.87%	0.35%	1317	61.11%	17.27%	1.38%	0.26%
Total		3528	100.00%	28.59%	3.69%	0.69%	2569	100.00%	20.82%	2.69%	0.50%	2155	100.00%	17.47%	2.26%	0.42%

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		Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .					Percentage of members of . . .				
			IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally		IGOs in regional type	IGOs of this type	IGOs globally	Organizations globally
Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations	H	151	33.48%	3.33%	0.16%	0.03%	1049	28.86%	23.16%	1.10%	0.21%	4529	36.71%	100.00%	4.74%	0.89%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	5	1.11%	2.70%	0.01%	0.00%	26	0.72%	14.05%	0.03%	0.01%	185	1.50%	100.00%	0.19%	0.04%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	295	65.41%	3.87%	0.31%	0.06%	2560	70.43%	33.58%	2.68%	0.50%	7624	61.79%	100.00%	7.98%	1.49%
Total		451	100.00%	3.66%	0.47%	0.09%	3635	100.00%	29.46%	3.81%	0.71%	12338	100.00%	100.00%	12.92%	2.42%

* The types allocated to each cluster are as follows:

Cluster I (International organizations): Types A B C D F

Cluster II (Dependent organizations): Types E K R

Cluster III (Organizational substitutes): Types S T

Cluster IV (National organizations): Types G N

Cluster V (Dead, inactive and unconfirmed bodies): Types H J U