

Figure 2.2.6. (a) Geographic distribution
Geographic distribution of international meetings: 2000-2004, tables

The tables give the number of international meetings held each year in the major countries of each continent during the last five-year period 2000-2004. Country totals are expressed as a percentage of the continent total; continent totals are expressed as a percentage of the world. Meetings taken into consideration include (a) those organized and/or sponsored by international organizations, and (b) some national meetings with international participation (provided they have a minimum of 300 participants, at least 40% foreign, at least 5 nationalities, and of at least 3 days duration). Excluded are meetings taking the form of religious gatherings, courses, party conferences, fairs, sales meetings, as well as closed administrative and expert meetings.

	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004	
	Number of meetings	Percentage of all meetings	Number of meetings	Percentage of all meetings	Number of meetings	Percentage of all meetings	Number of meetings	Percentage of all meetings	Number of meetings	Percentage of all meetings
Africa										
South Africa	103	1.0%	100	1.1%	120	1.3%	105	1.1%	113	1.2%
Egypt	41	0.4%	49	0.5%	66	0.7%	44	0.4%	52	0.6%
Morocco	20	0.2%	38	0.4%	43	0.5%	32	0.3%	30	0.3%
Tunisia	28	0.3%	18	0.2%	21	0.2%	26	0.3%	29	0.3%
Kenya	28	0.3%	30	0.3%	25	0.3%	37	0.4%	25	0.3%
Senegal	19	0.2%	17	0.2%	14	0.1%	22	0.2%	17	0.2%
Uganda	5	0.0%	11	0.1%	9	0.1%	15	0.2%	17	0.2%
Tanzania UR	6	0.1%	20	0.2%	20	0.2%	8	0.1%	15	0.2%
Nigeria	20	0.2%	13	0.1%	14	0.1%	14	0.1%	13	0.1%
Ethiopia	8	0.1%	3	0.0%	11	0.1%	15	0.2%	12	0.1%
Ghana	10	0.1%	14	0.2%	14	0.1%	18	0.2%	11	0.1%
Algeria	7	0.1%	13	0.1%	5	0.1%	9	0.1%	10	0.1%
Cameroon	9	0.1%	12	0.1%	8	0.1%	10	0.1%	9	0.1%
Burkina Faso	10	0.1%	11	0.1%	6	0.1%	10	0.1%	8	0.1%
Botswana	4	0.0%	6	0.1%	4	0.0%	8	0.1%	7	0.1%
Mauritius	7	0.1%	4	0.0%	7	0.1%	10	0.1%	7	0.1%
Congo Brazzaville	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.0%	5	0.1%
Mali	5	0.0%	6	0.1%	6	0.1%	7	0.1%	5	0.1%
Mozambique	6	0.1%	5	0.1%	3	0.0%	9	0.1%	5	0.1%
Other	101	1.0%	98	1.1%	81	0.9%	87	0.9%	48	0.5%
Total Africa	438	4.2%	469	5.1%	477	5.0%	490	4.9%	438	4.8%
America										
USA	1264	12.1%	1087	11.8%	1076	11.3%	1155	11.6%	1080	11.8%
Canada	277	2.7%	214	2.3%	250	2.6%	227	2.3%	197	2.2%
Brazil	128	1.2%	102	1.1%	116	1.2%	117	1.2%	108	1.2%
Mexico	95	0.9%	74	0.8%	117	1.2%	110	1.1%	104	1.1%
Argentina	142	1.4%	91	1.0%	49	0.5%	50	0.5%	63	0.7%
Chile	39	0.4%	37	0.4%	48	0.5%	49	0.5%	53	0.6%
Cuba	43	0.4%	33	0.4%	38	0.4%	47	0.5%	27	0.3%
Peru	19	0.2%	15	0.2%	19	0.2%	26	0.3%	26	0.3%
Colombia	13	0.1%	23	0.3%	14	0.1%	17	0.2%	22	0.2%
Ecuador	12	0.1%	15	0.2%	13	0.1%	16	0.2%	21	0.2%
Costa Rica	16	0.2%	23	0.3%	23	0.2%	14	0.1%	20	0.2%
Guatemala	9	0.1%	12	0.1%	8	0.1%	16	0.2%	16	0.2%
Puerto Rico	9	0.1%	14	0.2%	14	0.1%	11	0.1%	12	0.1%
Venezuela	13	0.1%	17	0.2%	17	0.2%	17	0.2%	12	0.1%
Dominican Rep	12	0.1%	17	0.2%	18	0.2%	19	0.2%	11	0.1%
Nicaragua	1	0.0%	5	0.1%	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	10	0.1%
Trinidad-Tobago	15	0.1%	14	0.2%	6	0.1%	18	0.2%	10	0.1%
Bahamas	6	0.1%	9	0.1%	6	0.1%	7	0.1%	8	0.1%

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Jamaica	23	0.2%	11	0.1%	9	0.1%	22	0.2%	7	0.1%
Panama	31	0.3%	13	0.1%	6	0.1%	24	0.2%	7	0.1%
Uruguay	16	0.2%	18	0.2%	12	0.1%	30	0.3%	7	0.1%
Neth Antilles	1	0.0%	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	7	0.1%	6	0.1%
Barbados	9	0.1%	7	0.1%	4	0.0%	15	0.2%	5	0.1%
Others	43	0.4%	52	0.6%	50	0.5%	81	0.8%	27	0.3%
Total America	2236	21.5%	1906	20.7%	1920	20.2%	2097	21.1%	1859	20.3%
Australasia / Pacific										
Australia	389	3.7%	286	3.1%	230	2.4%	227	2.3%	224	2.4%
New Zealand	40	0.4%	55	0.6%	43	0.5%	47	0.5%	34	0.4%
Fiji	9	0.1%	3	0.0%	15	0.2%	13	0.1%	19	0.2%
Papua New Guinea	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
Others	20	0.2%	18	0.2%	16	0.2%	15	0.2%	14	0.2%
Total Australasia / Pacific	458	4.4%	363	3.9%	306	3.2%	302	3.0%	296	3.2%
Asia										
China, HK & Macau	189	1.8%	161	1.8%	175	1.8%	130	1.3%	231	2.5%
Japan	237	2.3%	222	2.4%	222	2.3%	229	2.3%	206	2.2%
South Korea	104	1.0%	131	1.4%	124	1.3%	80	0.8%	164	1.8%
Singapore	121	1.2%	113	1.2%	138	1.5%	124	1.3%	156	1.7%
India	93	0.9%	83	0.9%	89	0.9%	111	1.1%	99	1.1%
Thailand	111	1.1%	84	0.9%	111	1.2%	117	1.2%	99	1.1%
Malaysia	61	0.6%	59	0.6%	74	0.8%	70	0.7%	84	0.9%
Taiwan	33	0.3%	34	0.4%	31	0.3%	34	0.3%	38	0.4%
United Arab Emirates	16	0.2%	14	0.2%	15	0.2%	28	0.3%	31	0.3%
Philippines	39	0.4%	38	0.4%	37	0.4%	44	0.4%	28	0.3%
Indonesia	31	0.3%	32	0.3%	46	0.5%	38	0.4%	23	0.3%
Vietnam	8	0.1%	25	0.3%	18	0.2%	26	0.3%	23	0.3%
Iran	10	0.1%	4	0.0%	6	0.1%	9	0.1%	18	0.2%
Lebanon	21	0.2%	23	0.3%	17	0.2%	11	0.1%	17	0.2%
Israel	125	1.2%	47	0.5%	30	0.3%	11	0.1%	16	0.2%
Sri Lanka	17	0.2%	10	0.1%	14	0.1%	15	0.2%	16	0.2%
Syria	6	0.1%	9	0.1%	8	0.1%	9	0.1%	16	0.2%
Jordan	19	0.2%	10	0.1%	12	0.1%	6	0.1%	14	0.2%
Pakistan	5	0.0%	8	0.1%	8	0.1%	13	0.1%	10	0.1%
Kazakhstan	3	0.0%	4	0.0%	4	0.0%	4	0.0%	9	0.1%
Qatar	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	4	0.0%	8	0.1%
Uzbekistan	4	0.0%	2	0.0%	3	0.0%	5	0.1%	8	0.1%
Bahrain	15	0.1%	9	0.1%	5	0.1%	14	0.1%	7	0.1%
Kuwait	1	0.0%	5	0.1%	7	0.1%	1	0.0%	6	0.1%
Brunei Darussalam	13	0.1%	5	0.1%	19	0.2%	4	0.0%	5	0.1%
Cambodia	6	0.1%	9	0.1%	7	0.1%	6	0.1%	5	0.1%
Myanmar	4	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	5	0.1%
Nepal	12	0.1%	12	0.1%	18	0.2%	14	0.1%	5	0.1%
Oman	6	0.1%	2	0.0%	4	0.0%	3	0.0%	5	0.1%
Others	24	0.2%	32	0.3%	33	0.3%	29	0.3%	14	0.2%
Total Asia	1335	12.8%	1189	12.9%	1285	13.5%	1189	12.0%	1366	14.9%

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Europe										
France	845	8.1%	684	7.4%	656	6.9%	678	6.8%	552	6.0%
Germany	588	5.6%	490	5.3%	490	5.2%	507	5.1%	491	5.4%
UK	623	6.0%	441	4.8%	463	4.9%	456	4.6%	377	4.1%
Spain	374	3.6%	343	3.7%	401	4.2%	395	4.0%	361	3.9%
Italy	486	4.7%	434	4.7%	379	4.0%	470	4.7%	336	3.7%
Switzerland	333	3.2%	324	3.5%	352	3.7%	340	3.4%	302	3.3%
Belgium	350	3.4%	315	3.4%	342	3.6%	317	3.2%	282	3.1%
Austria	258	2.5%	259	2.8%	265	2.8%	279	2.8%	279	3.0%
Netherlands	352	3.4%	252	2.7%	281	3.0%	286	2.9%	208	2.3%
Denmark	136	1.3%	159	1.7%	210	2.2%	166	1.7%	175	1.9%
Sweden	150	1.4%	186	2.0%	174	1.8%	246	2.5%	166	1.8%
Finland	158	1.5%	180	2.0%	174	1.8%	190	1.9%	156	1.7%
Greece	103	1.0%	107	1.2%	140	1.5%	170	1.7%	148	1.6%
Portugal	127	1.2%	112	1.2%	138	1.5%	124	1.3%	135	1.5%
Hungary	124	1.2%	95	1.0%	106	1.1%	107	1.1%	128	1.4%
Czech Rep	97	0.9%	81	0.9%	91	1.0%	111	1.1%	108	1.2%
Norway	143	1.4%	112	1.2%	122	1.3%	131	1.3%	108	1.2%
Russia	96	0.9%	82	0.9%	90	0.9%	107	1.1%	107	1.2%
Poland	106	1.0%	105	1.1%	99	1.0%	122	1.2%	105	1.1%
Turkey	77	0.7%	76	0.8%	88	0.9%	94	0.9%	94	1.0%
Ireland	66	0.6%	68	0.7%	62	0.7%	66	0.7%	78	0.9%
Iceland	29	0.3%	12	0.1%	29	0.3%	30	0.3%	70	0.8%
Slovenia	51	0.5%	38	0.4%	48	0.5%	43	0.4%	54	0.6%
Croatia	39	0.4%	50	0.5%	42	0.4%	41	0.4%	47	0.5%
Slovakia	21	0.2%	16	0.2%	38	0.4%	26	0.3%	41	0.4%
Romania	22	0.2%	30	0.3%	34	0.4%	45	0.5%	36	0.4%
Bulgaria	17	0.2%	31	0.3%	22	0.2%	30	0.3%	31	0.3%
Estonia	11	0.1%	16	0.2%	11	0.1%	38	0.4%	28	0.3%
Lithuania	19	0.2%	15	0.2%	20	0.2%	18	0.2%	23	0.3%
Ukraine	15	0.1%	19	0.2%	16	0.2%	22	0.2%	23	0.3%
Cyprus	13	0.1%	17	0.2%	21	0.2%	22	0.2%	22	0.2%
Serbia-Montenegro		n/a		n/a		n/a	23	0.2%	22	0.2%
Latvia	15	0.1%	24	0.3%	19	0.2%	25	0.3%	21	0.2%
Malta	24	0.2%	10	0.1%	17	0.2%	27	0.3%	20	0.2%
Monaco	27	0.3%	16	0.2%	12	0.1%	20	0.2%	15	0.2%
Vatican	0	0.0%	2	0.0%	3	0.0%	8	0.1%	6	0.1%
Luxembourg	18	0.2%	24	0.3%	21	0.2%	23	0.2%	6	0.1%
Macedonia	7	0.1%	4	0.0%	4	0.0%	6	0.1%	6	0.1%
Albania	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	3	0.0%	3	0.0%	5	0.1%
Moldova	1	0.0%	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	4	0.0%	5	0.1%
Others	23	0.2%	41	0.4%	36	0.4%	26	0.3%	24	0.3%
Total Europe	5946	57.1%	5272	57.3%	5521	58.1%	5842	58.9%	5201	56.8%
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Total World	10413		9199		9509		9920		9160	