

Figure 0.2.3. Current overview

Participation in intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) by continent: 2005

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 2,336 African members of IGOs classified as conventional international bodies (irrespective of where the IGO is headquartered), being 39.91% of the African members of IGOs in Cluster I, 26.58% of the African members of this type of IGO, 2.35% of the African members of all IGOs and 0.44% of the African members all organizations (whether IGO or NGO). Globally, there are 15687 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	2336	39.91%	26.58%	2.35%	0.44%	1690	36.20%	19.23%	1.70%	0.32%	1720	38.80%	19.57%	1.73%	0.32%
Unconventional international bodies	F	3517	60.09%	22.42%	3.54%	0.66%	2978	63.80%	18.98%	3.00%	0.56%	2713	61.20%	17.29%	2.73%	0.51%
Total		5853	100.00%	23.91%	5.89%	1.10%	4668	100.00%	19.07%	4.69%	0.88%	4433	100.00%	18.11%	4.46%	0.83%

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	357	30.23%	4.06%	0.36%	0.07%	2685	32.19%	30.55%	2.70%	0.50%	8788	35.91%	100.00%	8.84%	1.65%
Unconventional international bodies	F	824	69.77%	5.25%	0.83%	0.15%	5655	67.81%	36.05%	5.69%	1.06%	15687	64.09%	100.00%	15.78%	2.95%
Total		1181	100.00%	4.83%	1.19%	0.22%	8340	100.00%	34.08%	8.39%	1.57%	24475	100.00%	100.00%	24.62%	4.60%

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	4620	89.33%	24.09%	4.65%	0.87%	3791	90.63%	19.76%	3.81%	0.71%	3273	85.43%	17.06%	3.29%	0.62%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	552	10.67%	15.39%	0.56%	0.10%	392	9.37%	10.93%	0.39%	0.07%	558	14.57%	15.56%	0.56%	0.10%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0					0					0				
Total		5172	100.00%	22.72%	5.20%	0.97%	4183	100.00%	18.37%	4.21%	0.79%	3831	100.00%	16.83%	3.85%	0.72%

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			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	852	86.94%	4.44%	0.86%	0.16%	6645	77.25%	34.64%	6.68%	1.25%	19181	84.25%	100.00%	19.29%	3.61%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	128	13.06%	3.57%	0.13%	0.02%	1957	22.75%	54.56%	1.97%	0.37%	3587	15.75%	100.00%	3.61%	0.67%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0					0					0				
Total		980	100.00%	4.30%	0.99%	0.18%	8602	100.00%	37.78%	8.65%	1.62%	22768	100.00%	100.00%	22.90%	4.28%

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	S	26	0.37%	16.05%	0.03%	0.00%	16	0.21%	9.88%	0.02%	0.00%	32	0.64%	19.75%	0.03%	0.01%
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	T	7049	99.63%	18.74%	7.09%	1.33%	7622	99.79%	20.26%	7.67%	1.43%	5005	99.36%	13.30%	5.03%	0.94%
Total		7075	100.00%	18.72%	7.12%	1.33%	7638	100.00%	20.21%	7.68%	1.44%	5037	100.00%	13.33%	5.07%	0.95%

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			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	S	13	0.93%	8.02%	0.01%	0.00%	75	0.45%	46.30%	0.08%	0.01%	162	0.43%	100.00%	0.16%	0.03%
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	T	1383	99.07%	3.68%	1.39%	0.26%	16564	99.55%	44.03%	16.66%	3.11%	37623	99.57%	100.00%	37.84%	7.07%
Total		1396	100.00%	3.69%	1.40%	0.26%	16639	100.00%	44.04%	16.73%	3.13%	37785	100.00%	100.00%	38.00%	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	G	82	100.00%	26.11%	0.08%	0.02%	94	100.00%	29.94%	0.09%	0.02%	66	100.00%	21.02%	0.07%	0.01%
National organizations	N	0			0.00%	0.00%	0			0.00%	0.00%	0			0.00%	0.00%
Total		82	100.00%	26.11%	0.08%	0.02%	94	100.00%	29.94%	0.09%	0.02%	66	100.00%	21.02%	0.07%	0.01%

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Internationally oriented national organizations	G	8	100.00%	2.55%	0.01%	0.00%	64	100.00%	20.38%	0.06%	0.01%	314	100.00%	100.00%	0.32%	0.06%
National organizations	N	0			0.00%	0.00%	0			0.00%	0.00%	0			0.00%	0.00%
Total		8	100.00%	2.55%	0.01%	0.00%	64	100.00%	20.38%	0.06%	0.01%	314	100.00%	100.00%	0.32%	0.06%

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	2058	51.59%	38.78%	2.07%	0.39%	851	29.93%	16.04%	0.86%	0.16%	929	37.55%	17.51%	0.93%	0.17%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	19	0.48%	14.73%	0.02%	0.00%	7	0.25%	5.43%	0.01%	0.00%	76	3.07%	58.91%	0.08%	0.01%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	1912	47.93%	22.10%	1.92%	0.36%	1985	69.82%	22.95%	2.00%	0.37%	1469	59.38%	16.98%	1.48%	0.28%
Total		3989	100.00%	28.32%	4.01%	0.75%	2843	100.00%	20.18%	2.86%	0.53%	2474	100.00%	17.56%	2.49%	0.47%

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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	168	34.78%	3.17%	0.17%	0.03%	1301	30.27%	24.51%	1.31%	0.24%	5307	37.67%	100.00%	5.34%	1.00%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	3	0.62%	2.33%	0.00%	0.00%	24	0.56%	18.60%	0.02%	0.00%	129	0.92%	100.00%	0.13%	0.02%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	312	64.60%	3.61%	0.31%	0.06%	2973	69.17%	34.37%	2.99%	0.56%	8651	61.41%	100.00%	8.70%	1.63%
Total		483	100.00%	3.43%	0.49%	0.09%	4298	100.00%	30.51%	4.32%	0.81%	14087	100.00%	100.00%	14.17%	2.65%

* 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