

## Figure 0.2.2. Current overview

### Participation in international organizations by type and continent: 2006

These tables provide an overview of participation, through membership, of different continents in international organizations of different types. The types are grouped within clusters\* (as introduced in Figure 0.1). The summary is by type and continent, also distinguishing between intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and nongovernmental organizations (NGOs). For example, there are 2,312 African members of IGOs classified as conventional international bodies (irrespective of where the IGO is headquartered); there are 3,230 members from the Australasia / Oceania region of NGOs classified as unconventional international bodies. Refer to Figure 0.2.1. and Figures 0.2.3. and 0.2.4. for breakdowns with percentages by cluster, IGOs and NGOs, respectively. See Figure 2.1.1. for more detail on participation. For information on organization types, see Appendix "Types of organization".

#### International organizations (Cluster I)

| Description                         | Yearbook types | Africa      |              |              | America     |              |              | Asia        |              |              |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                     |                | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO         | NGO          | Total        |
| Conventional international bodies   | A-D            | 2312        | 23225        | 25537        | 1699        | 31617        | 33316        | 1729        | 32704        | 34433        |
| Unconventional international bodies | F              | 3668        | 13803        | 17471        | 3100        | 15433        | 18533        | 2827        | 14609        | 17436        |
| <b>Total</b>                        |                | <b>5980</b> | <b>37028</b> | <b>43008</b> | <b>4799</b> | <b>47050</b> | <b>51849</b> | <b>4556</b> | <b>47313</b> | <b>51869</b> |

| Description                         | Yearbook types | Australasia / Oceania |              |              | Europe      |               |               | The World    |               |               |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                     |                | IGO                   | NGO          | Total        | IGO         | NGO           | Total         | IGO          | NGO           | Total         |
| Conventional international bodies   | A-D            | 356                   | 6967         | 7323         | 2688        | 91918         | 94606         | 8784         | 186431        | 195215        |
| Unconventional international bodies | F              | 841                   | 3230         | 4071         | 5895        | 37942         | 43837         | 16331        | 85017         | 101348        |
| <b>Total</b>                        |                | <b>1197</b>           | <b>10197</b> | <b>11394</b> | <b>8583</b> | <b>129860</b> | <b>138443</b> | <b>25115</b> | <b>271448</b> | <b>296563</b> |

#### Dependent bodies (Cluster II)

| Description                                  | Yearbook types | Africa      |             |              | America     |              |              | Asia        |              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                              |                | IGO         | NGO         | Total        | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO         | NGO          | Total        |
| Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies | E              | 4500        | 4970        | 9470         | 3726        | 6566         | 10292        | 3215        | 6335         | 9550         |
| Subsidiary and internal bodies               | K              | 482         | 1995        | 2477         | 393         | 2357         | 2750         | 510         | 2557         | 3067         |
| Religious orders and secular institutes      | R              | 0           | 2289        | 2289         | 0           | 3271         | 3271         | 0           | 1492         | 1492         |
| <b>Total</b>                                 |                | <b>4982</b> | <b>9254</b> | <b>14236</b> | <b>4119</b> | <b>12194</b> | <b>16313</b> | <b>3725</b> | <b>10384</b> | <b>14109</b> |

| Description                                  | Yearbook types | Australasia / Oceania |             |             | Europe      |              |              | The World    |              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                              |                | IGO                   | NGO         | Total       | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO          | NGO          | Total        |
| Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies | E              | 862                   | 1435        | 2297        | 6730        | 21882        | 28612        | 19033        | 41188        | 60221        |
| Subsidiary and internal bodies               | K              | 140                   | 701         | 841         | 1856        | 6983         | 8839         | 3381         | 14593        | 17974        |
| Religious orders and secular institutes      | R              | 0                     | 386         | 386         | 0           | 3697         | 3697         | 0            | 11135        | 11135        |
| <b>Total</b>                                 |                | <b>1002</b>           | <b>2522</b> | <b>3524</b> | <b>8586</b> | <b>32562</b> | <b>41148</b> | <b>22414</b> | <b>66916</b> | <b>89330</b> |

#### Organizational substitutes (Cluster III)

| Description                                    | Yearbook types | Africa      |           |             | America     |           |             | Asia        |           |             |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
|                                                |                | IGO         | NGO       | Total       | IGO         | NGO       | Total       | IGO         | NGO       | Total       |
| Autonomous conference series                   | S              | 26          | 12        | 38          | 16          | 29        | 45          | 32          | 54        | 86          |
| Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements | T              | 7197        | 0         | 7197        | 7710        | 0         | 7710        | 5104        | 0         | 5104        |
| <b>Total</b>                                   |                | <b>7223</b> | <b>12</b> | <b>7235</b> | <b>7726</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>7755</b> | <b>5136</b> | <b>54</b> | <b>5190</b> |

| Description                                    | Yearbook types | Australasia / Oceania |          |             | Europe       |           |              | The World    |            |              |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
|                                                |                | IGO                   | NGO      | Total       | IGO          | NGO       | Total        | IGO          | NGO        | Total        |
| Autonomous conference series                   | S              | 13                    | 8        | 21          | 75           | 91        | 166          | 162          | 194        | 356          |
| Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements | T              | 1399                  | 0        | 1399        | 17173        | 0         | 17173        | 38583        | 0          | 38583        |
| <b>Total</b>                                   |                | <b>1412</b>           | <b>8</b> | <b>1420</b> | <b>17248</b> | <b>91</b> | <b>17339</b> | <b>38745</b> | <b>194</b> | <b>38939</b> |

#### National bodies (Cluster IV)

| Description                                     | Yearbook types | Africa    |             |             | America   |             |             | Asia      |             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                 |                | IGO       | NGO         | Total       | IGO       | NGO         | Total       | IGO       | NGO         | Total       |
| Internationally oriented national organizations | G              | 82        | 2931        | 3013        | 95        | 3735        | 3830        | 66        | 3548        | 3614        |
| National organizations                          | N              | 0         | 477         | 477         | 0         | 1239        | 1239        | 0         | 997         | 997         |
| <b>Total</b>                                    |                | <b>82</b> | <b>3408</b> | <b>3490</b> | <b>95</b> | <b>4974</b> | <b>5069</b> | <b>66</b> | <b>4545</b> | <b>4611</b> |

| Description                                     | Yearbook types | Australasia / Oceania |             |             | Europe    |             |             | The World  |              |              |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                                 |                | IGO                   | NGO         | Total       | IGO       | NGO         | Total       | IGO        | NGO          | Total        |
| Internationally oriented national organizations | G              | 22                    | 793         | 815         | 67        | 6173        | 6240        | 332        | 17180        | 17512        |
| National organizations                          | N              | 0                     | 387         | 387         | 0         | 2753        | 2753        | 0          | 5853         | 5853         |
| <b>Total</b>                                    |                | <b>22</b>             | <b>1180</b> | <b>1202</b> | <b>67</b> | <b>8926</b> | <b>8993</b> | <b>332</b> | <b>23033</b> | <b>23365</b> |

#### Inactive, unconfirmed and excluded bodies (Cluster V)

| Description                                                 | Yearbook types | Africa      |              |              | America     |              |              | Asia        |              |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                                             |                | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO         | NGO          | Total        |
| Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations | H              | 2442        | 4754         | 7196         | 1044        | 5174         | 6218         | 1116        | 3698         | 4814         |
| Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed                | J              | 37          | 37           | 74           | 15          | 104          | 119          | 64          | 63           | 127          |
| Currently excluded nonconventional bodies                   | U              | 1969        | 7873         | 9842         | 2033        | 9170         | 11203        | 1549        | 7446         | 8995         |
| <b>Total</b>                                                |                | <b>4448</b> | <b>12664</b> | <b>17112</b> | <b>3092</b> | <b>14448</b> | <b>17540</b> | <b>2729</b> | <b>11207</b> | <b>13936</b> |

| Description                                                 | Yearbook Types | Australasia / Oceania |             |             | Europe      |              |              | The World    |              |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                                             |                | IGO                   | NGO         | Total       | IGO         | NGO          | Total        | IGO          | NGO          | Total        |
| Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations | H              | 172                   | 731         | 903         | 1464        | 12314        | 13778        | 6238         | 26671        | 32909        |
| Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed                | J              | 10                    | 8           | 18          | 41          | 125          | 166          | 167          | 337          | 504          |
| Currently excluded nonconventional bodies                   | U              | 329                   | 2033        | 2362        | 3283        | 23609        | 26892        | 9163         | 50131        | 59294        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                |                | <b>511</b>            | <b>2772</b> | <b>3283</b> | <b>4788</b> | <b>36048</b> | <b>40836</b> | <b>15568</b> | <b>77139</b> | <b>92707</b> |

\* 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