

Figure 0.2.3. Current overview

Participation in intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) by continent: 2006

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 2,312 African members of IGOs classified as conventional international bodies (irrespective of where the IGO is headquartered), being 38.66% of the African members of IGOs in Cluster I, 26.32% of the African members of this type of IGO, 2.26% of the African members of all IGOs and 0.43% of the African members all organizations (whether IGO or NGO). Globally, there are 16331 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	2312	38.66%	26.32%	2.26%	0.43%	1699	35.40%	19.34%	1.66%	0.31%	1729	37.95%	19.68%	1.69%	0.32%
Unconventional international bodies	F	3668	61.34%	22.46%	3.59%	0.68%	3100	64.60%	18.98%	3.03%	0.57%	2827	62.05%	17.31%	2.77%	0.52%
Total		5980	100.00%	23.81%	5.85%	1.11%	4799	100.00%	19.11%	4.70%	0.89%	4556	100.00%	18.14%	4.46%	0.84%

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	356	29.74%	4.05%	0.35%	0.07%	2688	31.32%	30.60%	2.63%	0.50%	8784	34.98%	100.00%	8.60%	1.62%
Unconventional international bodies	F	841	70.26%	5.15%	0.82%	0.16%	5895	68.68%	36.10%	5.77%	1.09%	16331	65.02%	100.00%	15.98%	3.02%
Total		1197	100.00%	4.77%	1.17%	0.22%	8583	100.00%	34.17%	8.40%	1.59%	25115	100.00%	100.00%	24.58%	4.64%

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	4500	90.33%	23.64%	4.40%	0.83%	3726	90.46%	19.58%	3.65%	0.69%	3215	86.31%	16.89%	3.15%	0.59%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	482	9.67%	14.26%	0.47%	0.09%	393	9.54%	11.62%	0.38%	0.07%	510	13.69%	15.08%	0.50%	0.09%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0					0					0				
Total		4982	100.00%	22.23%	4.88%	0.92%	4119	100.00%	18.38%	4.03%	0.76%	3725	100.00%	16.62%	3.65%	0.69%

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Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies	E	862	86.03%	4.53%	0.84%	0.16%	6730	78.38%	35.36%	6.59%	1.24%	19033	84.92%	100.00%	18.63%	3.52%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	140	13.97%	4.14%	0.14%	0.03%	1856	21.62%	54.90%	1.82%	0.34%	3381	15.08%	100.00%	3.31%	0.63%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0					0					0				
Total		1002	100.00%	4.47%	0.98%	0.19%	8586	100.00%	38.31%	8.40%	1.59%	22414	100.00%	100.00%	21.94%	4.14%

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	0.36%	16.05%	0.03%	0.00%	16	0.21%	9.88%	0.02%	0.00%	32	0.62%	19.75%	0.03%	0.01%
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	T	7197	99.64%	18.65%	7.04%	1.33%	7710	99.79%	19.98%	7.55%	1.43%	5104	99.38%	13.23%	5.00%	0.94%
Total		7223	100.00%	18.64%	7.07%	1.34%	7726	100.00%	19.94%	7.56%	1.43%	5136	100.00%	13.26%	5.03%	0.95%

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Autonomous conference series	S	13	0.92%	8.02%	0.01%	0.00%	75	0.43%	46.30%	0.07%	0.01%	162	0.42%	100.00%	0.16%	0.03%
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	T	1399	99.08%	3.63%	1.37%	0.26%	17173	99.57%	44.51%	16.81%	3.17%	38583	99.58%	100.00%	37.76%	7.13%
Total		1412	100.00%	3.64%	1.38%	0.26%	17248	100.00%	44.52%	16.88%	3.19%	38745	100.00%	100.00%	37.92%	7.16%

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%	24.70%	0.08%	0.02%	95	100.00%	28.61%	0.09%	0.02%	66	100.00%	19.88%	0.06%	0.01%
National organizations	N	0			0.00%	0.00%	0			0.00%	0.00%	0			0.00%	0.00%
Total		82	100.00%	24.70%	0.08%	0.02%	95	100.00%	28.61%	0.09%	0.02%	66	100.00%	19.88%	0.06%	0.01%

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Internationally oriented national organizations	G	22	100.00%	6.63%	0.02%	0.00%	67	100.00%	20.18%	0.07%	0.01%	332	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		22	100.00%	6.63%	0.02%	0.00%	67	100.00%	20.18%	0.07%	0.01%	332	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	2442	54.90%	39.15%	2.39%	0.45%	1044	33.76%	16.74%	1.02%	0.19%	1116	40.89%	17.89%	1.09%	0.21%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	37	0.83%	22.16%	0.04%	0.01%	15	0.49%	8.98%	0.01%	0.00%	64	2.35%	38.32%	0.06%	0.01%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	1969	44.27%	21.49%	1.93%	0.36%	2033	65.75%	22.19%	1.99%	0.38%	1549	56.76%	16.90%	1.52%	0.29%
Total		4448	100.00%	28.57%	4.35%	0.82%	3092	100.00%	19.86%	3.03%	0.57%	2729	100.00%	17.53%	2.67%	0.50%

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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	172	33.66%	2.76%	0.17%	0.03%	1464	30.58%	23.47%	1.43%	0.27%	6238	40.07%	100.00%	6.11%	1.15%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	10	1.96%	5.99%	0.01%	0.00%	41	0.86%	24.55%	0.04%	0.01%	167	1.07%	100.00%	0.16%	0.03%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	329	64.38%	3.59%	0.32%	0.06%	3283	68.57%	35.83%	3.21%	0.61%	9163	58.86%	100.00%	8.97%	1.69%
Total		511	100.00%	3.28%	0.50%	0.09%	4788	100.00%	30.76%	4.69%	0.89%	15568	100.00%	100.00%	15.24%	2.88%

* 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