

**Figure 2.1.15. (a) Geographic distribution
Top international meeting countries – number of meetings: 2007**

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. Countries listed had a minimum of 30 meetings in 2007.

After figure 2.1.16. (a) (next page) is shown a graphic representation of countries hosting 50 or more meetings in 2007 – figure 2.1.15 (b).

Country	Number of meetings	Percentage of all meetings
USA	1114	10.80%
France	598	5.80%
Germany	523	5.07%
Singapore	466	4.52%
Japan	448	4.34%
Netherlands	423	4.10%
Italy	414	4.01%
Spain	393	3.81%
Austria	366	3.55%
UK	327	3.17%
Belgium	307	2.98%
Switzerland	284	2.75%
Canada	275	2.67%
Australia	272	2.64%
Korea Rep	268	2.60%
China, HK & Macao	255	2.47%
Finland	200	1.94%
Portugal	188	1.82%
Sweden	183	1.77%
Norway	132	1.28%
Mexico	116	1.12%
Greece	116	1.12%
Turkey	116	1.12%
Brazil	113	1.10%
India	111	1.08%
Denmark	107	1.04%
Poland	104	1.01%
South Africa	98	0.95%
Czech Rep	97	0.94%
Hungary	97	0.94%
Russia	90	0.87%
Thailand	89	0.86%
Malaysia	79	0.77%
Ireland	61	0.59%
Philippines	56	0.54%
Slovenia	53	0.51%
Argentina	48	0.47%
Croatia	46	0.45%
Egypt	43	0.42%
New Zealand	41	0.40%
Indonesia	40	0.39%
Taiwan	39	0.38%
Romania	39	0.38%
Chile	38	0.37%
United Arab Emirates	36	0.35%
Kenya	33	0.32%
Cuba	33	0.32%
Luxembourg	31	0.30%
Meetings (listed here)	9406	91.16%
Total meetings in 2007	10318	