

**Figure 2.1.4. (a and b) Geographic distribution  
Participation in international organizations, NGO and IGO, by continent: 2008**

The number of memberships of intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) and international nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) distributed by the continent in which the member is located. Note the different scales.

Organizations are divided into clusters of type (see Appendix "Types of organization" for explanation of types). 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. These memberships are not current or have not been confirmed for several years.

