

9.3.2. Twenty year rankings: Most popular meeting destinations per continent

This table shows the countries and cities per continent hosting the most international association meetings of Type A from 2001 to 2020.* See 9.5.1 for full listing

Most Type A meetings by continent in 2001-2020

Country	Meetings 2001-2020	Global %	City	Meetings 2001-2020	Global %
AFRICA			AFRICA		
1 South Africa	2,436	1.8	1 Cape Town, South Africa	906	1.3
2 Egypt	1,009	0.7	2 Cairo, Egypt	671	1.0
3 Morocco	844	0.6	3 Nairobi, Kenya	602	0.9
4 Kenya	723	0.5	4 Johannesburg, South Africa	439	0.6
5 Tunisia	543	0.4	5 Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	427	0.6
AMERICAS			AMERICAS		
1 USA	22,887	16.5	1 New York NY, USA	2,089	3.0
2 Canada	6,019	4.3	2 Washington DC, USA	1,883	2.7
3 Brazil	2,677	1.9	3 Montréal QC, Canada	1,846	2.7
4 Mexico	2,305	1.7	4 Buenos Aires, Argentina	1,081	1.6
5 Argentina	1,518	1.1	5 Vancouver BC, Canada	1,027	1.5
ASIA			ASIA		
1 Singapore	11,179	8.1	1 Singapore, Singapore	11,179	16.3
2 Korea Rep	9,151	6.6	2 Seoul, Korea Rep	4,848	7.1
3 Japan	8,123	5.9	3 Tokyo, Japan	3,290	4.8
4 China	4,245	3.1	4 Bangkok, Thailand	2,430	3.5
5 Thailand	3,401	2.5	5 Beijing, China	1,662	2.4
AUSTRALASIA / OCEANIA			AUSTRALASIA / OCEANIA		
1 Australia	5,727	4.1	1 Sydney NSW, Australia	1,826	2.7
2 New Zealand	1,056	0.8	2 Melbourne VIC, Australia	1,179	1.7
3 Fiji	214	0.2	3 Brisbane QLD, Australia	603	0.9
4 Samoa	74	0.1	4 Auckland, New Zealand	446	0.6
5 Papua New Guinea	56	0.0	5 Adelaide SA, Australia	371	0.5
EUROPE			EUROPE		
1 France	12,882	9.3	1 Brussels, Belgium	10,264	15.0
2 Belgium	12,347	8.9	2 Paris, France	6,260	9.1
3 Germany	10,813	7.8	3 Vienna, Austria	5,980	8.7
4 UK	9,387	6.8	4 Geneva, Switzerland	3,872	5.6
5 Italy	9,187	6.6	5 London, UK	3,471	5.1

* The data in this report are drawn from the UIA database, the source of the *International Congress Calendar* and the *Yearbook of International Organizations*.

Caveat: The number of meetings in the database for the year just past will, on average, increase by about 11% over the next year, by about 34% over the following five years, and by about 37% over the following seven years.

Definitions of meetings of Type A, of Type B, and of Type C can be found in "Research methodology"

Countries and cities: see "Research Methodology" regarding geographical names.

