Non-State Participation in International Organizations (N-PINION) v. 1.0 Codebook

General info

This codebook describes the variables included in the Non-State Participation in International Organizations (N-PINION) data set. N-PINION captures the density (size), diversity—in terms of organizational type, issue orientation, and geography—and volatility of populations of non-state actors (NSAs) participating in the meetings of 81 bodies of 24 international organizations (IOs) for the time period 1998–2017. These variables are measured at the IO body-year level. The codebook includes a description of each variable in the data set, and, where relevant, notes for specific coding principles for each variable. For a description of the selection of IOs, policy-making bodies, and time period, as well as general coding principles, please see

Vikberg, Carl. 2023. "Non-State Participation in International Organizations 1998–2017: Introducing a New Data Set." Forthcoming in *International Studies Perspectives*.

Before using the data, please read Vikberg (2023) and the usage notes on specific IO bodies at the end of this codebook. When using the data, take care to review the data information variables in the data set, as they contain important information about missing or partly missing data at the IO body-year level, as well as the extent to which an IO body-year has been coded using alternative sources that might reduce comparability. Also take care to review the NA category for the specific participation variable you use in your research.

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Versions of the data set

N-PINION standard data set	This is the standard version of the data set, outlined in Vikberg (2023). The aggregation method for these data are counts of unique NSAs per IO body-year.
N-PINION averages data set	This version of the data set uses an alternative aggregation method, capturing

	the average number of NSAs attending meetings in an IO body-year. This aggregation method produces different results from the standard data set only in IO body-years when an IO body held more than one meeting. The averages data set does not include volatility scores.

Identification variables

[ioname]	The name of the international organization.
[ioacronym]	The acronym of the international organization.
[iobodyname]	The name of the IO policy-making body.
[year]	The year of observation.
[iobody]	[ioacronym] + [iobodyname]
[iobodyyear]	[ioacronym] + [iobodyname] + [year] The main unit of analysis.
[counter]	Counting (for each IO body) the number of IO-body-years in which meetings were held.
[nmeetings]	Number of meetings coded for this IO body-year.

Participation variables

Density	
[number]	Total number of NSAs participating in meetings this IO body-year.
Diversity All diversity variables record the number of NSA participants that belong to a particular category in an IO body-year. In the data set, the variables are of the format variablename_category. For example, the variable goallevel_4 records the number of NSA participants in an IO body-year whose organizational goals are situated at the global level. The number of NAs are recorded under variablename_NA.	
[goallevel]	At what geographic level is the *goal* of the NSA situated? NB: not equal to level of mobilization, e.g., an animal rights organization with all members located in one country can still have as its *goal* to prevent animal abuse globally. 1. Sub-national 2. National 3. Regional 4. Global 9. Group does not represent clear interest. *Notes*: Citizen organizations based in one continent but with activities directed toward other continents are coded as having a global scope. Individual firms are coded as having goallevel 1.
[hqlocation]	Country where an NSA's headquarters are located. Coded using ISO country codes. *Notes*: This variable is coded based on retrieved information. The headquarters location may have changed during the observation period.

[orgtype]	Modified from INTEREURO codebook. Descriptions of organization types are nearly identical to those in INTEREURO. Berkhout, Joost, Brendan J. Carroll, Caelesta Braun, Adam W. Chalmers, Tine Destrooper, David Lowery, Simon Otjes, and Anne Rasmussen. 2015. "Interest Organizations across Economic Sectors: Explaining Interest Group Density in the European Union." *Journal of European Public Policy* 22 (4): 462–80. Link: https://acim.uantwerpen.be/files/documentmanager/project/CodebookPopulationResearch.docx **1 Citizen groups** Associations where members/supporters have a selective interest in group goals (not work related), or share a common sport/leisure, or where members/supporters have no selective interest in group goals, but work for the protection of the environment, human rights, development, integration, peace, etc. These are citizen, ideological or cause-oriented groups (NGOs). E.g., identity groups (sexual minorities, migrants, ethnic minorities...), solidarity groups, public interest groups, environment and animal welfare groups, humanitarian groups, consumer groups, social welfare groups, other public interest groups. Examples are Diakonies, Caritas, and Red Cross. **2 Trade union** Traditional employee organizations. Associations of employees negotiating work-related terms and conditions. **3 Professional associations** Associations of employees/professionals not negotiating terms and condition in negotiations with employers but organizing practitioners of a certain profession. E.g., doctors, lawyers, teachers, architects. Membership or allegiance is professionally/occupation-based. **4 Business associations**

	Associations of firms **5 Firm** For profit corporation. *Notes*: Public service broadcasting companies/organizations are coded under this category. State enterprises in same business as private businesses, e.g., some state-owned telecom companies, are considered to be firms. State adjacent NSAs, e.g., some agencies, are coded 14 Government organization. **51 consulting/lobby firm** Lobbying firms, consulting companies. **6 Research institute** Focus on research and expertise; knowledge production. This category includes research centers as well as think-tanks. **7 Institution** public-private entities with public functions. Includes churches, hospitals, foundations, charities, universities. *Notes:* It is sometimes a difficult call between coding an NSA as an institution or as a citizen group when the NSA promotes a cause/citizen interest. The coding has tended to err on the side of citizen group in these situations. **13 Other** *Notes*:

	Platforms or networks bringing together actors from different sectors are coded under this category. **14 Government organization**
[occup]	Does the NSA represent the occupational interests of its constituency? 0. No, NSA represents constituency's non-occupational interest. 1. Yes. 9. NSA does not represent clear interest. E.g., some research institutes.
[functionb]	Is the goal of the NSA limited to a particular group? E.g., a certain indigenous group, a certain industry sector. 0. No. This category includes cause groups and public interest groups, but also cross-sectoral business/employer/labor organizations. 1. Yes. This category includes sectoral business/employer/labor organizations, but also NSAs organized around identities, e.g., world religions, women's groups; and hobbies, e.g., sports. 9. NSA does not represent clear interest.
[sectoralspec]	This variable is a more fine-grained sub-categorization of the occup variable and the functionb variable. NSAs not coded 0 or 1 on occup take the value NA. 0. NSAs that do not fulfil the criteria for 1. 1. Occupational groups active in a particular sector, e.g., International Federation of Film Producers Associations.
[crossectoralspec]	This variable is a more fine-grained sub-categorization of the occup variable and the functionb variable. NSAs not coded 0 or 1 on occup take the value NA. 0. NSAs that do not fulfil the criteria for 1. 1. Occupational groups active across sectors, e.g., BUSINESSEUROPE.
[identitydiff]	This variable is a more fine-grained sub-categorization of the occup variable and the functionb variable. NSAs not coded 0 or 1 on occup take the value NA. 0. NSAs that do not fulfil the criteria for 1.

	1. NSAs that represent the non-occupational interests of a constituency, typically members, with a particular identity, e.g., women's organizations.
[memberdiff]	This variable is a more fine-grained sub-categorization of the occup variable and the functionb variable. NSAs not coded 0 or 1 on occup take the value NA. 0. NSAs that do not fulfil the criteria for 1. 1. NSAs that represent the non-occupational interests of their members, but not clearly tied to an identity, e.g., hobby organizations.
[causediff]	This variable is a more fine-grained sub-categorization of the occup variable and the functionb variable. NSAs not coded 0 or 1 on occup take the value NA. 0. NSAs that do not fulfil the criteria for 1. 1. NSAs that represent broad causes, e.g., environmental NSAs.
[issue_isic]	The two-number level ISIC industry sector code of the industry represented by the NSA. *Notes*: Cross-sectoral NSAs are coded ISIC 999. Organizations active in several two-level ISIC codes, where one cannot be unambiguously selected, have been given the higher-level ISIC letter code. Organizations working on Intellectual property in general are coded ISIC 77. Consultancies are coded as the most precise industry category, e.g., telecom consultancy is 61 Telecommunications rather than 70 Activities of head offices; management consultancy activities.
[issue_social]	Modified from INTEREURO codebook. Berkhout, Joost, Brendan J. Carroll, Caelesta Braun, Adam W. Chalmers, Tine Destrooper, David Lowery, Simon Otjes, and Anne Rasmussen. 2015. "Interest Organizations across Economic Sectors: Explaining Interest Group Density in the European Union." *Journal of European Public Policy* 22 (4): 462–80.

	Link: https://acim.uantwerpen.be/files/documentmanager/project/CodebookPopulationResearch.docx Instead of ISIC code for organizations that represent non-occupational interests. 10 Development 20 Poverty reduction 30 Human rights: an organization that advocates human rights. This code is used for NSAs active on human rights in general. 31 - Indigenous, ethnic, linguistic rights: an organization that represents native ethnic and linguistic minorities; 32 - Gender: an organization that represents women's rights and lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgenders 33 - Religious Note: This category also includes religious organizations where the human rights perspective is not obvious, e.g., an association of churches. 34 - Democracy / Civil Society 35 - Migrant: an organization that represents migrants, including asylum seekers and migrants groups. 50 Human health 60 Consumer: an organization that represents consumers 70 Environment/animals: an organization that advocates environmental protection, including animal welfare, environment, nature conservation. This code is used for NSAs active on environmental issues in general. 71 - Renewable Energy

	72 - Nuclear Energy 73 - Nature conservation 74 - Animals 75 - Pollution 76 - Other environment 80 Peace 90 Hobby/leisure/sports 100 Other
Volatility	
[prevyrstbl]	The number of NSAs that participated in the previous meeting-year, and who also participated in this meeting-year.
[numbernew]	The number of NSAs that did not participate in the previous meeting-year, but who participated in this meeting-year.
[numberleave]	The number of NSAs that participated in the previous meeting-year, but who did not participate in this meeting-year.

Data information variables

[missingiobodyyear]	0. Participation data available for at least one meeting held/selected for coding in this year. 1. Participation data missing for all meetings held/selected for coding in this year.
[anymissingiobodyyear]	0. Participation data available for all meetings held/selected for coding in this year.

	1. Participation data missing for at least one meeting held/selected for coding in this year.
[altcode]	Coded using alternative sources.

List of IOs and usage notes

IO	**IO acronym**	**Body**	**Notes**
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO	Council	
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO	Conference	
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO	Committee on Agriculture	
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO	Committee on Commodity Problems	
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO	Committee on Fisheries	
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO	Committee on Forestry	
Global Environment Facility	GEF	Assembly*	

Global Environment Facility	GEF	Council	
International Atomic Energy Agency	IAEA	General Conference	
International Atomic Energy Agency	IAEA	Board of Governors*	
International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Assembly	
International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Council	Coded based on information about which NSAs participated in this body during the entire time period 1998–2017. It is not possible to discern if those NSAs participated in all meetings, or in some, and in that case in what years.
International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Air Navigation Commission	Coded based on information about which NSAs participated in this body during the entire time period 1998–2017. It is not possible to discern if those NSAs participated in all meetings, or in some, and in that case in what years.
International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Air Transport Committee	

International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Committee on Joint Support of Air Navigation Services	
International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Committee on Unlawful Interference	
International Civil Aviation Organization	ICAO	Technical Co-operation Committee	
International Criminal Court	ICC	Assembly of states parties	
International Criminal Police Organization	INTERPOL	General Assembly*	
International Criminal Police Organization	INTERPOL	Executive Committee*	
International Labour Organization	ILO	General Conference	The coded NSAs do not include employers' and workers' representatives that are members of the body.
International Labour Organization	ILO	Governing Body	The coded NSAs do not include employers' and workers' representatives that are members of the body.
International Maritime Organization	IMO	Assembly	
International Maritime Organization	IMO	Council	
International Maritime Organization	IMO	Maritime Safety Committee	
International Maritime Organization	IMO	Marine Environment Protection Committee	

International Maritime Organization	IMO	Legal Committee	
International Maritime Organization	IMO	Technical Cooperation Committee	
International Maritime Organization	IMO	Facilitation Committee	
International Monetary Fund	IMF	Board of Governors**	
International Monetary Fund	IMF	Executive Board	
International Monetary Fund	IMF	International Monetary and Financial Committee	Also includes “Interim Committee”
International Organization for Migration	IOM	Council	
International Organization for Migration	IOM	Executive Committee	
International Organization for Migration	IOM	Standing Committee on Programmes and Finance	
International Seabed Authority	ISA	Assembly	
International Seabed Authority	ISA	Council*	
International Seabed Authority	ISA	Legal and Technical Commission*	

International Telecommunication Union	ITU	Plenipotentiary Conference	
International Telecommunication Union	ITU	Council	
International Telecommunication Union	ITU	World Radiocommunication Conference	
International Telecommunication Union	ITU	World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly	
International Telecommunication Union	ITU	World Telecommunication Development Conferences	
International Whaling Commission	IWC	Commission	
International Whaling Commission	IWC	Bureau	
International Whaling Commission	IWC	Scientific Committee	
International Whaling Commission	IWC	Conservation Committee	
International Whaling Commission	IWC	Aboriginal Subsistence Whaling Sub-committee	Years 1998–2000 are imputed as having had no NSA participation. This is based on an absence of NSA participation between 2001 and 2015, and an amendment to rules of procedure in Resolution 2014-3.

			Scientific Committee reports from 1998, 1999, and 2000 suggest this body held meetings in those years.
International Whaling Commission	IWC	Working Group on Whale Killing Methods and Welfare Issues	Years 1998 and 2000 are imputed as having had no NSA participation. This is based on an absence of NSA participation between 2001 and 2015, and an amendment to rules of procedure in Resolution 2014-3. Scientific Committee reports from 1998 and 2000 suggest this body held meetings in those years.
Permanent Court of Arbitration	PCA	Administrative Council	This body is coded based on secondary sources. On p. 84 "McNamara, Heidi. 2019. *Who Gets In? Nonstate Actor Access at International Organizations*. PhD diss. University of California San Diego." specifies that the deepest form of access NSAs enjoy to the PCA is through public private partnerships.
United Nations	UN	General Assembly	Coded based on lists of entities and organizations having received a standing

			invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly.
United Nations	UN	Security Council	
United Nations	UN	Economic and Social Council	Years 2000–2003 are markedly different from other years, potentially due to changes in reporting practices.
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	UNESCO	General Conference	
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization	UNESCO	Executive Board	
United Nations Industrial Development Organization	UNIDO	General Conference	
United Nations Industrial Development Organization	UNIDO	Industrial Development Board	
Universal Postal Union	UPU	Congress*	
Universal Postal Union	UPU	Council of Administration	Coded based on a list of organizations invited to Council of Administration

			sessions. Hence does not vary over time.
Universal Postal Union	UPU	Postal Operations Council	Years 2013–2016 coded based on a list of organizations invited to Postal Operations Council Sessions.
World Bank	WB	Board of Governors	
World Bank	WB	Boards of Directors	
World Customs Organization	WCO	Council*	
World Customs Organization	WCO	Policy Commission	Coded as not having NSA participation based on the Terms of Reference of WCO Working Bodies.
World Customs Organization	WCO	Harmonized System Committee	
World Customs Organization	WCO	Permanent Technical Committee	
World Customs Organization	WCO	Capacity Building Committee	
World Health Organization	WHO	World Health Assembly	
World Health Organization	WHO	Executive Board	
World Intellectual Property Organization	WIPO	Assemblies	Participants in WIPO's assemblies are listed in the same document. It is not possible to differentiate the NSAs

			into the different bodies that make up WIPO's assemblies.
World Intellectual Property Organization	WIPO	Committee on Development and Intellectual Property	
World Intellectual Property Organization	WIPO	Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore	
World Intellectual Property Organization	WIPO	Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications	
World Intellectual Property Organization	WIPO	Committee on WIPO Standards	WIPO Standards and Documentation Working Group included under IO body name Committee on WIPO Standards
World Meteorological Organization	WMO	World Meteorological Congress	
World Meteorological Organization	WMO	Executive Council	
World Meteorological Organization	WMO	Commission for Aeronautical Meteorology	
World Meteorological Organization	WMO	Commission for Atmospheric Sciences	

World Meteorological Organization	WMO	Commission for Basic Systems	
World Meteorological Organization	WMO	Commission for Climatology	
World Tourism Organization	UNWTO	General Assembly	
World Tourism Organization	UNWTO	Executive Council	
World Tourism Organization	UNWTO	Committee on Statistics and the Tourism Satellite Account	
World Tourism Organization	UNWTO	Committee on Tourism and Competitiveness	
World Tourism Organization	UNWTO	Committee on Tourism and Sustainability*	
World Trade Organization	WTO	General Council	Coded based on "absence of evidence" of NSA participation.
World Trade Organization	WTO	Ministerial Conference	NSAs coded based on automatic recoding of data received from Marcel Hanegraaff. Reference: Hanegraaff, Marcel, Caelesta Braun, Dirk De Bièvre, and Jan Beyers. 2015. "The Domestic and Global Origins of Transnational Advocacy: Explaining Lobbying Presence

			During WTO Ministerial Conferences." *Comparative Political Studies* 48 (12): 1591–1621.
World Trade Organization	WTO	Trade and Development Committee	Coded based on "absence of evidence" of NSA participation.
World Trade Organization	WTO	Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures Committee	Coded based on "absence of evidence" of NSA participation.
World Trade Organization	WTO	Safeguards Committee	Coded based on "absence of evidence" of NSA participation.
World Trade Organization	WTO	The Committee on Financial Services	Coded based on "absence of evidence" of NSA participation.

*Missing from data set. **Coded under World Bank Board of Governors