The International Authority Dataset (version 1.1)

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International organizations (IOs) are perceived as increasingly important actors in world politics. The International Authority Database (IAD) offers a single measure of authority for 34 IOs since their respective dates of creation until 2013. The resulting cross-sectional time-series data counts 1,694 observations and inform about the level and development of IO authority. The related publication, along with the supplementary information, discusses concepts, measurement, sampling, and some descriptive properties of our data. In this document, we briefly present the variable contained in the accompanying dataset (`iadv11.dta`) and provide a list of IOs in our sample.

1 Variables in the dataset

Version 1.1 of the IAD data comprises 13 variables for a total of 1,694 observations (IO-years). The raw data, along with our normalized measure of IO authority, can be tailored by analysts according to their individual research goals. We briefly explain each variable that we code for each IO and year and that is contained in the dataset '`iadv11.dta`'.

ioname Contains the official name of the IO, for example 'Food and Agriculture Organization'.

ioac IO acronym as used in research and IOs' public relations, for example 'FAO'.

iocode Numeric code of IO based on the IGO list of Pevehouse et al. (2004). The FAO's code, for example, is 1840. We adapt the use of the IGO codes in three cases. First, we assign the code '1830' to the European Community, the predecessor of the EU. Second, we assign the WTO's code of '4580' to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Third, we create a new code—'4115'—and assign it to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO). The SCO receives a new code as the organization was created after the publication of the IGO list in 2004/2005.

year Calendar year. The variable is first recorded for an IO in the year in which its constitutive treaty entered into force and the organization became operational. For example, the Treaty of Rome creating the European Communities (EC) entered into force in 1957 and thus the EC first appears in our data in 1957.

as Agenda Setting. The normalized score of an IO's agenda-setting authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

rm Rule Making. The normalized score of an IO's rule-making authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

mo Monitoring. The normalized score of an IO's monitoring authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

ni Norm Interpretation. The normalized score of an IO's norm-interpretation authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

en Enforcement. The normalized score of an IO's enforcement authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

ev Evaluation. The normalized score of an IO's evaluation authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

kg Knowledge Generation. The normalized score of an IO's knowledge-generating authority, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

authority This variable is the sum of the function-level authority scores per IO and year. Its (theoretical) value range is from 0 to 7.

nauth This variable is the normalized authority score, ranging between 0 (no authority) and 1 (full authority).

version This variable contains the version number of the current dataset.

2 Sample

Table 1 presents the composition of our sample. Most of the abbreviations are official acronyms, with some exceptions (e.g. Commonwealth Secretariat and Nordic Council).

Table 1: IAD IO Sample

Name	Abbreviation
Association of Southeast Asian Nations	ASEAN
African Union	AU
Andean Community	Andean
Bank for International Settlement	BIS
Central African Economic & Monetary Union	CEMAC
Caribbean Community	CARICOM
Council of Europe	CoE
Commonwealth Secretariat	Commsec
European Union	EU
Food and Agriculture Organization	FAO
International Criminal Court	ICC
International Coffee Organization	ICO
Intergovernmental Authority on Development	IGAD
International Labour Organization	ILO
International Monetary Fund	IMF
International Whaling Commission	IWC
North Atlantic Fisheries Organization	NAFO
North American Free Trade Agreement	NAFTA
North Atlantic Treaty Organization	NATO
Nordic Council	NC
Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries	OAPEC
Organization of American States	OAS
Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development	OECD
Organization of Islamic Conference	OIC
Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe	OSCE
Pacific Island Forum	PIF
Southern African Development Community	SADC
Shanghai Cooperation Organization	SCO
Arab Maghreb Union	UMA
UN Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization	UNESCO
United Nations	UN
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank)	WB
World Health Organization	WHO
World Trade Organization	WTO

References

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