The Yearbook of International Organizations is a six volume reference set located in Library North, floor 2. The call number is: JX1904.A42

The Yearbook is indispensable for information on intergovernmental and international non-governmental organizations. The entries and additional content (i.e. charts, etc.) show how int’l organizations are related, providing insight into global views and trends.

For more information on using the Yearbook read the introduction of each volume and review the Library’s web based research guide on the Yearbook: http://research.library.gsu.edu/YRBK_International_Orgs

In choosing which volume to use, if you know the...

- name or abbreviation of an organization – Vol. 1
- organization’s name and need to review what the keywords in the name of an organization – Vol. 3
- focus, or aims or activities of an organization – Vol. 3
- location of an organization or where it has members – Vol. 2
- name of a principal officer of the organization – Vol. 6
- name of another organization that has a relationship with organization you want – Vol. 1
- type of organization or activities of an organization and need an illustration – Vol. 5
VOLUMES 1A (A – INS) & 1B (INT – Z)

Volume 1 (which is two physical volumes) contains an alphabetical listing of all of the organizations. Volume 1B also contains appendices which contain keys to organization types, etc. (e.g. D = Limited or regionally defined membership organizations) and data on the categories (e.g. Number of organizations that are designated as D). Entry Example:

Organizations are listed alphabetically in volume 1. Each entry also includes a sequential number that is used as a cross reference throughout the Yearbook (i.e. 08424).

Other organizations that have established relationships with this organization.

Circled info is: Date organization info. was received/permanent citation number for historical review of organization/organization type. NOTE: sometimes there is also a lower case letter which provides additional info. about the organization. See appendixes in volume 1B for key to lettered codes.
**Volume 2: Geographic Volume & International Organization Participation:**
**Country Directory of Secretariats and Membership**

A secretariat is the administrative department of a governmental body, usually an international organization.

**Volume 2** contains the organization listings organized by country. For each country there are sub-headings for the secretariats headquartered in a particular country as well as the (non-secretariat) memberships connected with a country.

To distinguish within the listings between IGO membership and NGO membership:

**IGOs:** Both the organization name and organization type are printed in bold and there is an asterisk at the end of the description.

*E.g.* European Committee on Migration (CDMG), Strasbourg, France. [K*]

**NGOs:** The organization name is in bold but not the organization type.

*E.g.* European Association for the Protection of Human Rights (FIDH-AE), Brussels, Belgium [D] #08424

**Volume 3: Subject Volume: Global Action Networks: Classified Directory and Index**

The subject volume categorizes the organizations by subject concerns (e.g. Technology); regional concerns (e.g. Nordic/Zoology); and organization type (e.g. banks, clubs). The first part of the volume is the subject guide and the second part is the index.

The subject volume uses extensive “See” and “See Also” references to give researchers a more precise understanding of the focus of organizations.

Follow “See” references to the correct subject heading for needed information.

E.g. This listing in the subject volume...

- **Humanity: See Peace/Humanity**

Informs the researcher: If looking for organizations that focus on humanity look instead under the main subject heading: Peace and the sub-heading: Humanity.
Follow “See Also” references for additional related information

E.g. If looking for organizations that focus on Human rights, the researcher will find:

- **Humanitarian Organizations**

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- **Humanitarian Organizations**: see also Health/Care
- **Humanitarian Organizations**: see also Societal Problems

The above example illustrates that in looking for listings on human rights s/he will instead find listings under Humanitarian Organizations (i.e. Feinstein Int’l Center) and will also find additional relevant organizations by following the See also references, and looking under categories such as Health and Societal Problems.

It is under the category Societal Problems that the researcher will find:

- **Societal Problems/Protection**

Here is where organizations such as the European Association for the Protection of Human Rights is located.

**Volume 4: Bibliographic Volume: International Organization Bibliography and Resources**

This volume has several sections and focuses on the publications and resources produced by international organizations. (Note: Section B was removed)

A-1: Publications of the international organizations. Locate the organization (listed in alphabetical order) and there will be a listing of the organization’s current major and/or significant publications. The listings of the publications are not necessarily comprehensive.

A-2 (begins on page 119): Information Resources are resources other than traditional publications that are generated by the publishing branch of an organization (e.g. databases; data banks; etc.)

Section C (begins on page 129): Historical publication listing. These publications focus on the history and practice of a particular organization. Publication listings are organized in broad categories.

Section D (begins on page 345): Index to publications listed in sections A – C.
**VOLUME 5: STATISTICS, VISUALIZATIONS AND PATTERNS**

The organizational listings and information found in the first 4 volumes are organized into statistical tables and charts.

These tables respond to questions, such as: Where are international organizations located? This question is followed by a series of charts, for example: Country participation in international organizations by type of organization.

There are also historical overviews of international organizations as well as administrative information on international organizations such as, Top international meeting countries in 2010-2014.

**VOLUME 6: WHO’S WHO IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

In addition to providing information on the principal personalities significantly involved in international organizations, this Who’s Who volume is unique to providing context in understanding the “human role in the international organizational network” by also including what these leaders have in common and what other responsibilities they have.

There is a biographical listing, organized in alphabetical order as well as several indexes (by organization; by area of concern; by citizenship).