

A set of new UAI publications

GUIDES TO INTERNATIONAL

In the issue of August-September 1984 there appeared in this space a summary of the information tools produced by the UAI and published by K G Saur Verlag (Munich), including the new series, at that time still in preparation. Guides to International Organization, based on the Yearbook of International Organizations (Volumes 1, 2 and 3). As the fourth and final volume of this series is now completed, it seems appropriate to present these tools in more detail.

No 1 : African International Organization Directory, 1984/85

598 pages

This Guide presents information on the various international organizations active in relation to 55 African countries. Although it is largely drawn directly from the Yearbook of International Organizations, 1984/85, additional research enabled the descriptions to be not only updated but greatly expanded. The Directory consists of three main parts :

Part I : African Organization Descriptions

Included in this section is a computer generated, multilingual index of organizations, which is followed by detailed descriptive entries for the organizations, grouped according to organization type.

Part II : African Secretariat Countries

This section is preceded by an index assigning a numerical code to each country. It then lists, for 55 African countries, the international organizations with secretariats in that country.

Part III : International Organizations with African Membership

As for Part II, this section is preceded by an index assigning a numerical code to each country. It then lists, for 55 African countries, the international organizations which have members in that country, or of which that country is a member.

Easy access to this information is provided by :

- computer generated, multilingual and multi-access index
- detailed descriptive entries on over 800 organizations
- up-to-date references
- statistical data.

N° 2 : Arab and Islamic International Organization Directory,

1984/85

484 pages

Following the pattern set by the first Guide, this presents information on international organizations active within the Arab and Islamic countries. Again, additional research findings have been incorporated into the descriptions.

This Directory is also structured into three parts :

Part I : Description of Arab and Islamic Organizations

The first part consists of a computer generated, multi-access index of organizations and detailed descriptive entries of the organizations, grouped according to organization type.

Part II : Arab-Islamic Secretariat Countries

Part II lists, for each Arab and Islamic country, organizations that have their main or regional secretariats in that country.

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Part III : International Organizations with Arab or Islamic Membership
This section lists, for each country, organizations in which that country has members, or of which that country is a member. As in the African guide, there is an extensive index and statistical data.

N° 3 : International Organization Abbreviations and Addresses, 1984/85
530 pages

This publication is a response to the need for a compact directory of international organization names, initials and addresses for those who do not immediately require the more extensive descriptions in the Yearbook of International Organizations. A version of Part 1 of this Directory was last published by the UAI in 1963 under the name *International Initiales / Sigles Internationaux*, which listed 2.200 abbreviations with their accompanying titles.

Although there are now a number of abbreviation directories, none of them is designed to help users contact the organizations included. This is the special intent of this Guide. The user can gain easy access to 14,020 organization addresses (Part III) via the initials (Part I) or the organization name (Part II). The three complementary parts contain the following :

Part I : Abbreviations with Organization Names
11,428 abbreviations in alphabetic order, cross-referenced to Part III.

Part III ; Organization Names with Abbreviations
18,970 organization names, whether or not they have initials, in alphabetic order, cross-referenced to Part III.

Part III ; Organization Names and Addresses
14,020 organization addresses in reference number order. The reference numbers given in all three sections also refer to the full descriptions appearing in the 1984/85 edition of the Yearbook. The tables of statistical data are also included in this volume.

N° 4 : Intergovernmental Organization Directory, 1984/85
764 pages

This volume presents information on 1,690 intergovernmental organizations, including especially their interrelationships with other organizations.

This Directory has seven parts :

Part I : Index

Multilingual index to intergovernmental organizations (in Part II) and multilateral treaties (in Part III) by name, abbreviations and keywords. The index contains 37,295 items.

Part II : Intergovernmental Organization Descriptions
Detailed descriptive entries of 1.690 organizations in reference number order, according to organization type.

Part III : Multilateral Treaties

Updated summary listings of 1,415 treaties, conventions and agreements, identified by the reference number in the index.

Part IV : Intergovernmental Organization Secretariats

A listing of 2,049 secretariat addresses (with telephone, telex, etc) by country of location.

Part V : Citation Index

Alphabetical listing of the network of 4,083 organizations cited in the descriptive entries in Part II as having formal relationships with

Part VI : Publication Index

This part lists alphabetically 1,343 periodical and non-periodical publications mentioned in the descriptive entries in Part II.

Part VII : Foundation Date Index

An index listing 2,352 organizations and treaties by year of creation.

A section with statistical data reproduced from *International Organization Participation* (Vol 2 of the Yearbook of International Organizations, 1984/85) contributes to the reference material contained in this volume.

IERD Series

As a result of collaboration with the Institute of Cultural Affairs International (ICAI), it was previously intended that a fifth volume on rural development projects around the world be included in the Guides to International Organization series. However, the second and third volumes on this theme are already in preparation, and they are being published in a parallel series :

IBRD Series, prepared by ICAI and published by KG Saur Verlag, in association with the UAI.

Vol 1 : Directory of Rural Development Projects, 1985/86

Vol 2 : Voices of Rural Practitioners, 1985/86

Vol 3 : Directory of Approaches That Work, 1985/86.

International Association Statutes Series

ICAI is currently assisting the UAI in the preparation of a first volume of statutes of nongovernmental organizations. At this stage, priority is being given to including statutes of those NGOs listed in Sections A, B and C of the Yearbook of International Organizations. This volume will appear later this year and will be Supplemented by update - volumes, in a continuing series, as necessary. The intention is to provide NGOs with a place where they can « register » their statutes (or subsequent amendments). The importance of this initiative will be recognized by those who have been exposed to the problem of the lack of international legal recognition accorded to international NGOs. As a point of historical interest, such statutes were last collected together in the *Annuaire de la Vie Internationale*, published by the UAI in 1908-1911.

Note

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