Acronym	Name of IO	General	Years in
2		purpose IO	Dataset
Andean /CAN	Andean Community	$\checkmark$	42
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation		20
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations	1	44
BENELUX	Benelux Community	1	61
BIS	Bank for International Settlements		61
CABI	CAB international		24
CARICOM	Caribbean Community	1	43
CCNR	Central Commission for the Navigation of the Rhine		61
CEMAC	Central African Economic & Monetary Union	1	45
CERN	European Organization for Nuclear Research		57
CIS	Commonwealth of Independent States	1	19
CoE	Council of Europe		61
COMESA	Common Market for East/Southern Africa	1	29
ComSec	Commonwealth of Nations	✓	46
EAC	East African Community	1	27
ECCAS- CEEC	Economic Community of Central African States	1	26
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States	1	36
EEA	European Economic Area		17
EFTA	Euro Free Trade Association		51
ESA	European Space Agency		31
EU	European Union	1	59
FAO	Food & Agriculture Organization		61
GCC	Gulf Cooperation Council	1	13
GEF	Global Environmental Facility/ Fund		17
IAEA	International Atomic Energy Agency		54
IBRD	World bank		61
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization		61
ICC	International Criminal Court		9
IGAD	Inter-Governmental Authority on Development	1	25
ILO	International Labour Organization		61
IMF	International Monetary Fund		61
IMO	International Maritime Organization		51
INTERPOL	International Criminal Police Organization		61
IOM	International Organization for Migration		56

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ISA/ISBA	International Seabed Authority		17
ITU	International Telecommunication Union		61
Iwhale	International Whaling Commission		61
LAIA/ALADI	Latin American Integration Association		51
LOAS	League of Arab States	✓	61
MERCOSUR	Common Market of the South	1	20
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Association		17
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization		61
NordC	Nordic Council	1	59
OAPEC	Organization of Arab Petroleum Export Countries		43
OAS	Organization of American States	1	60
OAU/ AU	African Union	1	48
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation & Development		61
OECS	Organization of Eastern Caribbean States	1	43
OIC	Organization of the Islamic Conference	1	41
<b>OIF/ACCT</b>	Francophone Community		41
OPEC	Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries		51
OSCE	Organization for Security & Cooperation in Europe		38
OTIF	Intergovernmental Organization for International Carriage by Rail		61
PCA	Permanent Court of Arbitration		61
PIF	Pacific Islands Forum	✓	36
SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation	1	25
SACU	Southern African Customs Union		42
SADC	Southern African Development Community	1	29
SCO	Shanghai Cooperation Organization	✓	9
SELA	Latin American Economic System		45
SICA	Central American Integration System	1	59
SPC	South Pacific Community	1	61
UN	United Nations	1	61
UNESCO	UN Education, Scientific, & Cultural Organization		61
UNIDO	UN Industrial Development Organization		26
UNWTO	World Tourism Organization		36
UPU	Universal Postal Union		61
WCO	World Customs Organization		59
WHO	World Health Organization		61
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization		44
WMO	World Meteorological Organization		61
WTO	World Trade Organization		16

Seventy of the 72 IOs in the dataset are in the Correlates of War (COW) Dataset (Pevehouse et al. 2004). The Shanghai Cooperation Organization and the European Economic Area are not in the COW dataset, but meet five of the six criteria. IOs that do not meet the threshold but are in the COW dataset include the Association of African Trade Promotion Organizations (AATPO), which lacks a permanent secretariat, an annual meeting, and a website (and is a subsidiary of the African Union); the Australia-New Zealand-US Treaty Organization (ANZUS), which has two members and does not have a permanent secretariat, webpage or address; the Arctic Council, which had until 2011 a rotating secretariat of very small size. Several COW-listed IOs are subsidiaries of other organizations, such as the Andean Parliament, a consultative body to the Andean Community; the Nordic Council of Ministers, an executive body of the Nordic Council; or the European Central Bank, a European Union institution.

## **APPENDIX II: CODING POLICY SCOPE**

The policy portfolio of each IO was assessed by two independent coders with a list of 25 policies in hand. This list was adapted from a classification scheme initially developed for the European Union by Lindberg and Scheingold (1970), and updated by Philippe Schmitter (1996) and Liesbet Hooghe and Gary Marks (2001). Coders were asked to code the policy responsibility of each IO in two ways: a) in what policies does the IO have substantial involvement, and b) of these policies, which policy constitutes the core activity of the IO in 2010? The Krippendorff's alpha among coders is 0.70, which indicates reasonably high intercoder reliability.

- 1. Agriculture
- 2. Competition policy, mergers, state aid, antitrust
- 3. Culture and media
- 4. Education (primary, secondary, tertiary), vocational training, youth
- 5. Development, aid to poor countries
- 6. Financial regulation, banking regulation, monetary policy, currency
- 7. Welfare state services, employment policy, social affairs, pension systems
- 8. Energy (coal, oil, nuclear, wind, solar)
- 9. Environment: pollution, natural habitat, endangered species
- 10. Financial stabilization, lending to countries in difficulty
- 11. Foreign policy, diplomacy, political cooperation
- 12. Fisheries and maritime affairs
- 13. Health: public health, food safety, nutrition
- 14. Humanitarian aid (natural or man-made disasters)
- 15. Human rights: social & labor rights, democracy, rule of law, non-discrimination, election monitoring
- 16. Industrial policy (including manufacturing, SMEs, tourism)
- 17. Justice, home affairs, interior security, police, anti-terrorism
- 18. Migration, immigration, asylum, refugees
- 19. Military cooperation, defense, military security
- 20. Regional policy, regional development, poverty reduction
- 21. Research policy, research programming, science
- 22. Taxation, fiscal policy coordination
- 23. Telecommunications, internet, postal services
- 24. Trade, customs, tariffs, intellectual property rights/ patents
- 25. Transport: railways, air traffic, shipping, roads
- (26. Data collection, statistics, reports coded separately)

## **APPENDIX III: DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS**

The estimation strategy used in this paper is to produce additive scales from zero to 100 on the basis of standardized items. *Delegation* combines nine items; *Pooling* combines six items. The Cronbach's alpha for the delegation items is 0.654, and for pooling items it is 0.859. The additive scales and alpha scales are highly correlated (0.91 for delegation measures, 0.98 for pooling), while the two dimensions of authority – pooling and delegation—are weakly correlated (0.05).

	General purpose IOs		Task specific IOs	
Indicator	Mean	Standard deviation	Mean	Standard deviation
General secretariat role*	37.3	26.0	34.3	21.6
Nonstate assemblies (density)	4.7	11.6	4.5	12.5
Nonstate assemblies (role)	5.6	14.9	5.88	21.0
Nonstate executives (density)	17.0	24.6	16.7	24.4
Nonstate executives (role)	5.56	9.9	10.1	22.1
Consultative bodies (density)	18.9	25.3	20.2	28.0
Consultative bodies (role)	8.3	21.0	1.3	6.6
Strength of dispute settlement*	31.3	34.0	21.6	22.5
DELEGATION (additive)	27.0	20.7	26.0	17.7

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\*items counted twice to balance the fact that there are two items for assemblies, executives, and consultative bodies

Pooling on accession	9.5	19.1	31.0	35.0
Pooling on suspension	8.7	16.3	29.3	28.8
Pooling on constitutional revision	5.1	13.7	13.8	25.7
Pooling on budgetary allocation	5.0	13.5	28.1	31.6
Pooling on financial non-compliance	23.0	24.9	46.5	34.2
Pooling on policy making	23.2	29.6	50.8	39.3
POOLING (additive)	11.5	14.1	35.9	28.2