

International IDEA

At a glance

Supporting democracy worldwide

Who we are

We are an intergovernmental organization, founded in 1995 with a mandate to support sustainable democracy worldwide. We have Permanent Observer status at the United Nations.

Our Four Ways of Working



What we do

We develop policy-friendly research and analysis related to elections, parliaments, constitutions, digitalization, climate change, inclusion and political representation, all under the umbrella of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

We assess the performance of democracies through our unique Global State of Democracy Indices and the Democracy Tracker.

We provide capacity development and expert advice to democracy actors including governments, parliaments, election officials and civil society. We develop tools and publish databases, handbooks, reports and primers in several languages on topics ranging from voter turnout to gender quotas.

We bring states and non-state actors together for dialogues and lessons sharing.

We stand up and speak out to promote and protect democracy worldwide. 35 Member States

20+
Offices around the world

Working in 60+ countries

Our expertise

Democracy Assessment

Our Global State of Democracy reports and indices provide accurate, detailed and timely information on democratic performance across the world. Our Democracy Tracker continually monitors trends in 173 nations.

Electoral Processes

Our expertise stretches from risk management in elections to special voting arrangements and the future of electoral assistance. This enables us to support electoral management bodies and election officials.

Constitution-Building and Rule of Law

We develop comparative knowledge and provide advice on constitutional design, constitution-building processes and the rule of law, in fragile as well as more consolidated democracies.

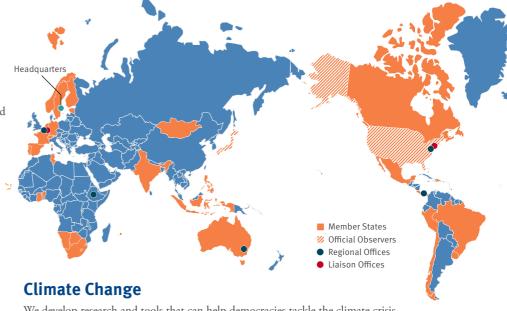
Political Participation and Representation

We support political parties, parliaments, and women and youth with knowledge and capacity development, with an increasing focus on new forms of political participation and representation.

Money in Politics

We produce data and research, provide technical assistance to political finance oversight agencies and political parties, and support peer-to-peer learning among practitioners.

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We develop research and tools that can help democracies tackle the climate crisis.

Gender and Inclusion, Conflict and Environment

Gender equality and inclusion, conflict sensitivity and environmental protection are mainstreamed in all areas of our work, from project planning to implementation.

Digitalization

We support institutions in reaping the benefits of digital innovation as well as countering digital threats to ensure the protection of fundamental human rights.

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