

International Relations

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International Relations: Background

- I. Nature of Int'l Community
- II. Characteristics of Our World
- III. How to Study the Int'l Community?
- IV. Future Prospects

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I. Nature of Int'l Community

1. Living in a Shrinking World
2. Domestic vs. Int'l Community
3. Nature of Modern Int'l Problems

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II. Characteristics of the World

A) Authority Structure

B) Actors at International Level

1. States/National Actors

2. IOs (IGOs)

3. Transnational Actors (INGOs)

4. Non-State Actors

C) Geographic Scope

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B) Actors at International Level

1. States/National Actors

2. IOs (IGOs)

a. Functions: Gen Purpose vs.
Specialized

b. Geography: Universal vs.
Regional

c. Alliances: Military Pacts

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3. Transnational Actors (INGOs)

a. Non-Profit Organizations

1. Human Rights: Amnesty Int'l
2. Environmental: Greenpeace
3. Religious: National Council of Churches

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b. Profit-Oriented Organizations

1. MNCs, TNCs, TNEs, MNEs

4. Non-State Actors

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III. How to Study Int'l Community?

Level-of-Analysis: what we study?

1. System Level-of-Analysis
2. State Level-of-Analysis
3. Individual Level-of-Analysis

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IV. Future Prospects

1. These Orgs Are Not World Government
2. Power of the Orgs is Limited
3. The World is Growingly Global.
4. Int'l Problems Are More Complex
5. No State Can Alone Resolve Problems
6. Conflict Wastes Time and Resources
7. Cooperation is the Economical Solution