



Think Tanks & Civil Societies Program

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Hintergrund des Rankings

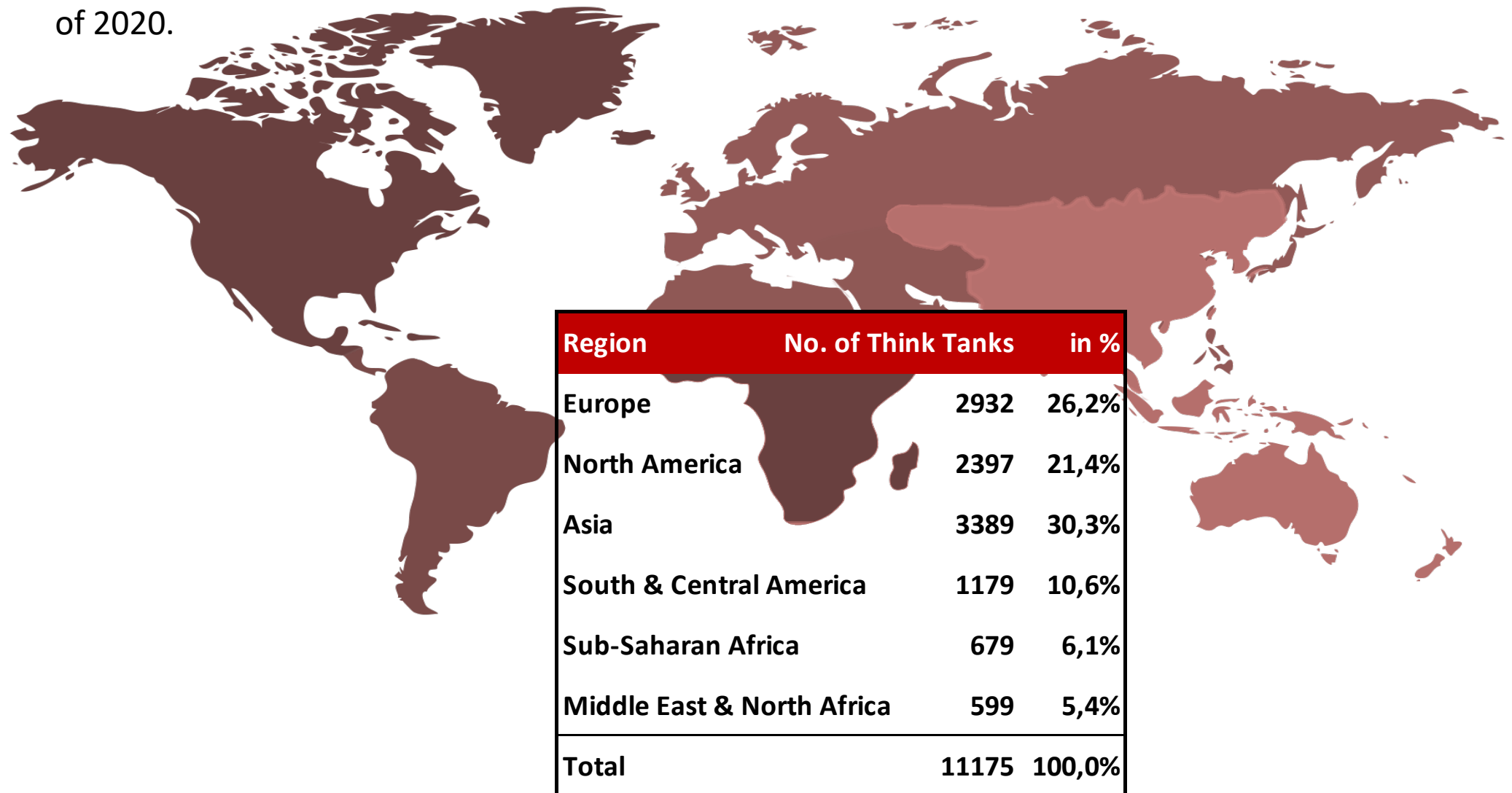
Methodische Neuerungen

Ausgewählte Ergebnisse

2020 Think Tank Statistics

Global Distribution of Think Tanks by Region and Number of Think Tanks in the World 2020

This chart reflects the number of think tanks in 2020 based on data collected as of the summer of 2020.



Countries with the Largest Number of Think Tanks

RANK	COUNTRY	NUMBER OF THINK TANKS
1	United States	2203
2	China	1413
3	India	612
4	United Kingdom	515
5	South Korea	412
6	France	275
7	<u>Germany</u>	266
8	Argentina	262
9	Brazil	190
10	Viet Nam	180
11	Italy	153
12	Russia	143
13	Japan	137

Neue Ranking-Kategorie im Jahre 2020:

2020 Best Policy and Institutional Response to COVID-19

**Alphabetically Listed; Not Ranked*

Methodische Neuerungen:

- The 2020 report includes a new ranking category concerning the best adaptation of programming and communication in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Any think tank that has been ranked as #1 in a category for 3 consecutive years is now recognized as a **Center of Excellence** and will not be included in the rankings for that category for 3 years but will be recognized as a Center of Excellence.
- 105 multilingual summer research Interns helped conduct a systematic update of the TTCSP think tanks database. This has enhanced the accuracy and quality of the listings. Finally, a thorough review was conducted of all the definitions for the Global Go To Think Tank Index categories.

Think Tank of the Year 2019

**THINK TANK OF THE YEAR – TOP THINK TANK IN THE WORLD
Center of Excellence for 2017-2020**

Brookings Institution (United States)

**2020 THINK TANK OF THE YEAR –
TOP THINK TANK IN THE WORLD**

Table 1

Japan Institute of International Affairs (JIIA) (Japan)

2020er Ranking-Kategorien:

- Top Think Tank of Excellence (2012-2020): **Brookings**
- Top Think Tanks in the World (3):
US & non-US **Japan Inst. f. International Affairs (JIIA)**
Non-US: **Bruegel** (EU) | US: **Carnegie**
- Top Think Tanks by Region: 10 Regionen
- Top Think Tanks by Area of Research: 15 Gebiete
- Top Think Tanks by Special Achievement: 26 Kateg.
- **Neu: Inst. Reaktion auf Covid-19 (alphabetisch)**

Bemerkenswert aus deutscher Sicht (2020)

- **Think Tanks weltweit: 15, 17, 35, 42, 53, 62, 63, 68, 89, 114, 144;**
ohne USA auf Plätzen: 12, 14, 20, 22, 31, 42, 45, 84, 108.
- **Politische Stiftungen: KAS ist Center of Excellence (CoE);**
Plätze 1: FES. 2: FNS, 3: HBS, 8: HSS, 20: RLS
- **Think-Tank Netzwerke: KAS ist CoE; FES ist 1. Rang**
- **1., 3., 9. in "Umwelt": Ecologic Institut, PIK Potsdam, Wuppertal Institut**
- **2. Dt. Inst. f. Wirtschaftsforschung (DIW) in "Nationale Wirtschaftspolitik"**
- **3. Dt. Inst. f. Entwicklungspol. (DIE) in "Internationale Entwicklungspolitik"**
- **1. Max Plank Institute in "Wissenschaft und Technologie"; ZEF auf 7**
- **Transparency International in 15(!) Kategorien: 2. in "Transparenz & Governance", 4. in "Best Advocacy Group, 10. in "Best Use of Social Media", 9. in "Best Use of the Internet", 7. in "Most Significant Impact on Public Policy 3. in "Best Independent Think Tank", und 6. in "Best Quality Assurance & Integrity Policies"**
- **4. Münchner Sicherheitskonferenz "Think-Tank-Konferenz"**

Gut vertreten auch in vielen anderen Kategorien!

Bemerkenswert aus deutscher Sicht (2020):

- **Unter den Best New Think Tanks (ohne Ranking):**
Agora Verkehrswende (2020 – ?)
WeltTrends Institut für internationale Politik (2018)
- **In neuer Kategorie “Reaktion auf Covid” (ohne Ranking):**
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik (DGAP)
Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE)
Heinrich-Böll-Stiftung (HBS)
Transparency International (TI)

2020 Top Environment Policy Think Tanks

Table 18

Ecologic Institute moves up
2 ranks to number 1,
overtaking SEI (SE) & PIK (DE).

We are surprised!

In 2019, Ecologic Institute
also moved up, by 4 ranks,
overtaking think tanks from
US & UK where environment
policy was or is **in trouble**.



1. Ecologic Institute (Germany)
2. Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) (Sweden)
3. Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research (PIK) (Germany)
4. Resources for the Future (RFF) (United States)
5. Center for Climate and Energy Solutions (C2ES) (United States)
6. Worldwatch Institute (WRI) (United States)
7. Third Generation Environmentalism E3G (United Kingdom)
8. World Resources Institute (WRI) (United States)
9. Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy (Germany)
10. Copenhagen Consensus Center (CCC) (Denmark)



Why Think Tanks & Policy Advice Matter in Times of Crisis

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