

OPEN THINK TANK DIRECTORY

The [Open Think Tank Directory](#) is a global collection of think tanks and related organisations (research centres, think tanks, consultancies, NGOs that carry out research to inform public policies, etc.). The Directory collects and integrates public information (or that should be public) about research centres and organises it in a virtual directory open to the public. This database allows research centres to connect with each other, gives public visibility, allows funders to identify which organizations carry out research on the topics on their agenda, and promotes transparency and research on the sector, among other things.

For each organisation, we collect information that is publicly available on the organisation's website, and/or that has been supplied to us by organisations themselves.

VARIABLE DESCRIPTION

VARIABLE	DESCRIPTION	EXAMPLE	DATABASE LABEL
DATABASE ID	UNIQUE organisational ID for the Open Think Tank Directory consisting of letters	N-AS-3050	ottd_id
NAME (ORIGINAL)	Name of the organisation in its original language and characters.	El Think Tánk ; 싱크 탱크	tt_name_v o
NAME (ENGLISH)	Name of the organisation in English.	Think Tank	tt_name_e n
INITIALS	Initials/Acronym of organisation (as identified by them), where applicable.	TT	tt_init
WEBSITE ADDRESS	URL of the main website.	www.thinktank.org	Website
STRAPLINE	The strapline, or slogan, of the think tank, if applicable.	Researching policy	strapline
LOGO	URL to a version of the think tank's current logo.	www.thinktank/LOGO	logo
DESCRIPTION	A short (no more than 100 word) description of the organisation. Ideally, the description should include what it is, its aims/mission/objectives, main topics, and main activities.	Think Tank works to ensure the best outcomes for our priority topics through independent, rigorous, and policy-relevant research coupled with effective communication.	description
CITY NAME	Name of the city in which the organisation head office (or main branch) is located. If states or provinces are commonly identified in the country also include here.	Washington, D.C.	main_city
COUNTRY	Country where organisation is located.	USA	country
LOCATION	City and country where the head office of the organisation is located	Washington D.C., USA	location
LATITUDE CITY	The latitude of the city.	-36.85232	lat-city
LONGITUDE CITY	The longitude of the city.	174.76389	long-city

COUNTRY ISO	ISO code of the country where the organisation is located	US	country_iso
CONTINENT	Continent where the organisation is located.	Asia	continent
MAIN REGION	Main region where the organisation is located.	North Africa	main_region
SUB-REGION	Sub-region where the organisation is located based on the United Nations geoscheme.	South-Eastern Asia	sub_region
REGION GROUP	Grouping of subregions where the organisation is located.	West & Central Asia	region_group
OTHER OFFICES	A list of other offices the organisation may have, usually including just a list of cities and countries	Nairobi, Kenya	other_offices
FULL POSTAL ADDRESS	Postal address of the organisation in the format of the country in which it is located. This should include the city and country again.	101a Idea Drive, Washington, D.C., 90293, USA	address
GENERAL CONTACT EMAIL	Email address of a general contact. Personal emails not included	info@thinktank.org	g_email
OPERATING LANGUAGE(S)	List of main languages the organisation operates in.	English French	operating_languages
PUBLICATION LISTING PAGE	URL of the general publications page (not individual publications), if applicable.	www.thinktank.org/publications	web_pubs
JOB LISTING PAGE	URL of the webpage listing jobs, if applicable. As in publications links should not be to individual posting.	www.thinktank.org/jobs	web_jobs
EVENTS LISTING PAGE	URL of the webpage listing events, if applicable. Links should not be to individual events.	www.thinktank.org/events	web_events
BUSINESS MODEL	How is the organisation is registered	Non profit	tt_business_model
FUNDING MECHANISMS	The mechanisms by which the organisation funds its work	Project based funding (grant), Core funding	Funding.Mechanism
FUNDING SOURCES	The sources of the organisation's funds	International foundations, Multilateral organisations, Private sector (international)	Funding.sources
AFFILIATION	Any affiliations, or does it operate as an independent, standalone organisation?	Independent	tt_affiliations
MAIN THEMATIC AREAS	Topics/research areas the organisations focus on following the Open Think Tank Directory division. See table below for a full list of themes and the specific issues that belong to each.	Trade/ Economics / Finance, Food/Agriculture, Social Policy, Governance/transparency	topics
NUMBER OF THEMATIC AREAS	The total number of topics/research areas the organisation focuses on. Refer to the Main Thematic Areas to count the number of topics and select the number from the Open Think Tank Directory division.	More than 3	Number of topics
PRIMARY GEOGRAPHIES COVERED	A list of the main geographical areas that the organisation researches about	Latin America	geographies

DATE FOUNDED	Date founded at the most accurate level available.	January 28 1998	date_founded
DATE FOUNDED GROUP	Period in which the organisation was founded. Refer to Open Think Tank Directory Division.	1990-1999	Date founded group
FOUNDER	May be more than one person, or even another organisation. Titles can be included if needed	Dr Jane Doe	founder
GENDER FOUNDER	Gender of the founder(s). Not applicable if it was founded by another organisation.	Both male and female founders	founder_gender
FOUNDER TYPE	If the organisation was founded by another entity such as a university or political party.	Government	founder_other_type
DIRECTOR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE	Name of the director or chief executive of the organisation. Titles can be included if needed. Longitudinal data since 2016	Salvador Crousse, Diana Schwarz and Olivia Juric	leader_20XX
GENDER LEADER	Gender of the leader: Male, Female or both (if more than one founder and of both genders). Longitudinal data since 2016	Female	leader_gender_20XX
CURRENT GENDER LEADER	The gender(s) of the current leader(s).	Male	Latest gender leader
NUMBER OF STAFF	Number of staff. This includes all staff, whether researchers, communications, support, fulltime or part-time (except research associates)	30	staff_no_20XX
STAFF GROUP	The range under which the number of staff can be classified. Select from the Open Think Tank Directory division. Longitudinal data since 2019.	11 to 20	Staff (XX) # group
PERCENTAGE FEMALE STAFF	Percentage of female staff (all staff). Longitudinal data since 2017	15%	pc_staff_female_20XX
PERCENTAGE OF FEMALE RESEARCHERS	Percentage of female researchers (any level). Longitudinal data since 2017	30%	pc_res_staff_female_20XX
NUMBER OF ASSOCIATES	Number of research associates (sometimes called fellows). Longitudinal data since 2016.	20	assc_no_20XX
NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS	Number of publications per year. Includes any kind of publications except promotional material, blogs, comment pieces, or multimedia. Longitudinal data since 2015	15	pub_no_20XX
PUBLICATION NUMBER GROUP	The range under which the number of publications can be classified. Select from the Open Think Tank Directory division. Longitudinal data since 2020.	11-25	pub_no_20XX_categories
TURNOVER	In USD the amount of money turned over/received by the organisation in the last year. Converted to USD using the official exchange rate on 31 Dec on that year. Longitudinal data since 2015	\$500,000	fin_usd_20XX
TURNOVER GROUP	The financial range under which the turnover can be classified. Select from the Open Think Tank Directory division. Longitudinal data since 2018.	Over 1.5 and less than 10 million	Turnover20XX groups

TURNOVER YEAR GROUP	The monthly range under which the turnover can be classified under. Longitudinal data since 2016	January - December	fin_year
TWITTER HANDLE	The Twitter handle of the organisation.	@theorganisation	twitter_handle
TWITTER ACCOUNT CREATION DATE	The date the organisation's Twitter account was created (the most accurate date available).	1/7/2011	Twitter_creation_date
TWITTER FOLLOWER COUNT	The number of followers when the data was updated. Longitudinal data since 2016.	5670	twitter_followers_20XX
TWITTER VERIFICATION	If the organisation's Twitter account has been verified.	Yes	Twitter_blue_tick_verification
FACEBOOK PAGE	URL of the organisation's Facebook page, if applicable.	www.facebook.com/THEORG	facebook_page
FACEBOOK LIKES	Number of likes, if applicable. Longitudinal data since 2016.	7590	facebook_likes_20XX
YOUTUBE CHANNEL	URL of the organisation's YouTube channel, if applicable.	www.youtube.com/user/	youtube_page
YOUTUBE CHANNEL CREATION DATE	The date the organisation's YouTube channel was created (the most accurate date available). Extract information from the YouTube account page.	1/7/2011	youtube_creation_date
YOUTUBE SUBSCRIBERS	Number of subscribers to the organisation's YouTube channel, if applicable. Longitudinal data since 2016.	250	youtube_subscribers_20XX
YOUTUBE VIEWS	Number of views the organisation's YouTube channel has received. Longitudinal data since 2021.	300	20XX Youtube views
YOUTUBE VIDEOS	Number of videos uploaded to the organisation's YouTube channel. Longitudinal data since 2021.	20	20XX Youtube videos
VIMEO PAGE	URL of the organisation's Vimeo page, if applicable.	https://vimeo.com/thinktank	vimeo_page
VIMEO SUBSCRIBERS	Number of subscribers to the organisation's Vimeo page, if applicable. Longitudinal data since 2016.	5	vimeo_subscribers_20XX
VIMEO VIDEOS	Number of Vimeo videos uploaded to the organisation's Vimeo page. Longitudinal data since 2021.	10	20XX Video videos
INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT	URL of the organisation's Instagram account if applicable	www.instagram.com/centro	instagram_account
INSTAGRAM FOLLOWERS	Number of followers, if applicable. Longitudinal data since 2018	450	instagram_followers_20XX
INSTAGRAM POSTS	Number of Instagram posts published by the organisation. Longitudinal data since 2021.	16	20XX Instagram posts

LINKEDIN PAGE	URL of the organisation's LinkedIn page if applicable.	www.linkedin.com/thinktank	linkedin_acc
LINKEDIN FOLLOWERS	Number of followers, if applicable. Longitudinal data since 2018.	50	linkedin_fol_20XX
SLIDESHARE ACCOUNT	URL of the organisation's Slideshare account, if applicable.	www.slideshare.net/thinktank	slideshare_acc
SLIDESHARE FOLLOWERS	Number of Slideshare followers, if applicable. Longitudinal data from 2020.	15	slideshare_foll_20XX
DEFUNCT	Registers if the organisation is defunct. Blank if still functioning	Defunct	defunct
REVIEWED	The level of review of the organisation's data by On Think Tanks: Imported, Authenticated or OTT Reviewed	Authenticated	reviewed
OTTD INFORMATION SOURCES	Where the data on the organisation comes from (including if provided by the organization itself. And when applicable what suggested the inclusion of the organization.	NIRA Think Tank Directory, Organisation's website	sources
OTTD NOTES	Additional notes or details regarding the organisation that would be useful for public users of the data.	Number of staff not provided	notes
DATE CREATED	Date the record was created	2/8/2016	date_created
CREATED BY	Person responsible for creating the record	Andrea Baertl	created_by
DATE UPDATED	Date the record was updated	1/4/2020	date_updated
UPDATED BY	Person responsible for updating the information either from the OTT team or from the organisation.	Chndy Rogel	updated_by
UPDATED DATE	Date the information pertaining to the organisation was updated.	6/8/2022	Date_updated
BOUNDARY	Registers if the organisation is a boundary organisation, that is, if it carries some form of research to inform public policy, but it's main activities are others (pure research, advocacy, programme implementation, etc.)	Yes	boundary

VARIABLE OPTIONS (TAGS)

Main thematic areas

TOPIC OF RESEARCH	EXAMPLES
CHILDREN FOCUS	Focus on children and adolescents
DEFENCE/PEACE/SECURITY	Military studies; violence; peace promotion; conflict; war
EDUCATION	Education models; Strengthening the education system;
ENVIRONMENT/NATURAL RESOURCES/ENERGY	Rainforest; Adaptation and mitigation of climate change; Biodiversity; Forests; Energy efficiency; Fossil fuels
FOOD/AGRICULTURE	Value chains and agribusiness; Food Safety; Sustainable agriculture
GENDER	Women's rights, Gender Violence, Inequality
GOVERNANCE/TRANSPARENCY	Citizenship; Democracy; Transparency; Decentralization
HEALTH	Infant nutrition; Drugs, WASH
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS /DEVELOPMENT	International relations, Development, Humanitarian actions
LAW/JUSTICE/HUMAN RIGHTS	Discrimination; Trafficking; Legal studies
MEDIA/CULTURE/SPORT	Religion; Language
PRIVATE SECTOR DEVELOPMENT	Business; Entrepreneurship
SOCIAL POLICY	Poverty; Protection of children and adolescents; Social inclusion; Inequality
TECHNOLOGY/INNOVATION	Information Technology; Sustainable technologies;
TRADE/ECONOMICS/FINANCE	Commerce; Macro economy; Fiscal studies
TRANSPORT/INFRASTRUCTURE	Engineering; Road policy; Urban or rural infrastructure (hospital buildings, highways etc)

Business model

- Business
- Government
- Non-profit
- University institute/centre
- Other

Funding mechanisms

- Endowment
- Core funding (grant)
- Programmatic (grant)
- Project based funding (grant)
- Project based (consultancy)
- Membership fees
- Other self-generated income
- Donations
- Other

Funding sources

- National government
- Foreign governments
- National foundations
- International foundations
- Multilateral organisations
- Private sector
- Individuals
- Members (eg via membership fees)
- Transfers from host institution
- Other

Affiliation

- Government
- Independent
- Network
- International Organism
- University
- Political party/figure
- Industry-Private sector
- Other