

UCWDC® REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE POLICY

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1. INTRODUCTION

The United Country Western Dance Council® is an international organization which promotes country western dance by producing festivals and competitions across the world. We host the annual Country Dance World Championships® for couples and line dancers and we advocate country dancing as a social activity for people of all ages and abilities.

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish selection, duties and guidelines to be a Regional Representative of the UCWDC. This policy will also define the regions for the UCWDC throughout the World

1.2 Reference

In accordance with Article 16.1.5 of the current UCWDC Bylaws: "The President may appoint Regional Representatives, as required who are Sanctioned Members in good standing. Regional Representatives shall be responsible for such regional activities and other functions within their area as outlined in the Policies and Procedures Manual or assigned by the President."

2. REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE DUTES

To be a Regional Representative of the UCWDC is a privilege and an opportunity to build the dance community in your geographic region and be part of a worldwide network of UCWDC Regional Reps. As you represent the UCWDC you are asked to serve as an ambassador of the organization and help to further the UCWDC's communication with its Associate Members and dancers in your region.

Regional Representatives are a two-year appointed position by the President

What does it mean to serve as a Regional Rep? Well, minimally that you will be listed on our Regional Reps list and your contact info (email and location, not personal address or phone) will be listed on our website.

You will also be asked to perform the following duties:

- 1. Serve as the UCWDC contact person for your designated geographic region.
- 2. Represent UCWDC in a positive manner as the ambassador and further the aims of UCWDC as you communicate with Associate Members.
- 3. Be introduced (e-greet) to all new and renewing members in your region with personalized correspondence generated from the Associate Membership Director.
- 4. Disseminate information and directives from the UCWDC to your region.
- 5. Capture regional Associate Members views and feedback to the UCWDC.
- 6. Attend a minimum of one (1) event in your region other than your own event. Two (2) events if the Representative is a Director Emeritus:
 - a. Event pass provided by Regional Event
 - b. No other concessions provided by the event or the UCWDC
 - c. Be announced at the events as the UCWDC Regional Representative (available to assist Associate Members)
- 7. Named as an eligible Official Observer for the UCWDC and attend events outside your region, as requested or assigned by the General Council. Official UCWDC Official Observer duties as outlined in the UCWDC Bylaws and Policies & Procedures manual.



- 8. Provide or coordinate photos and recap summary article(s) for UCWDC Newsletter(s) for the events in your region.
- 9. Attend Regional Rep Meetings if in attendance at UCWDC General Meetings. Electronic attendance may also be requested.
- 10. Provide a Regional Rep report (oral and written) at each General Council meeting outlining:
 - a. Highlight both positive and negative issues that impact on the UCWDC in your region
 - b. Report on growth and expansion of the UCWDC in your area
 - c. Acknowledge common regional issues or observed trends
- 11. Contact and maintain a relationship with dance studios in your region and explain the benefits of the UCWDC.
- 12. Promote and refer any parties interested in applying for a UCWDC Sanctioned Event to the President or Secretary.
- 13. Direct any questions or correspondence relating to the organization to the appropriate Committee Chair

3. NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT OF REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

The following guidelines are intended to be used for the nomination and appointment of UCWDC Event Directors and Directors Emeritus to the position of Regional Representative

- 1. Eligible Representative are all active Event Directors and Directors Emeritus with the exception of the Executive Committee and must be:
 - a. an Event Director in good standing holding not less than 16% of their respected dance event, OR
 - b. a Director Emeritus in good standing, AND
 - c. be willing to perform their duties as outlined in Section 2.0 of this policy

2. Nominee Process

- a. The Regional Representative nominee(s) are selected by the Members in their region.
- b. Regions will put forward one (1) representative nominee in their region for review and appointment by the President.
- c. All Members in their respected region will be notified by the Secretary at the time of the General Meeting announcement that the appointment of Regional Representatives will take place at the forthcoming General Meeting.
- d. Selection of nominee:
 - 1. All Members of the Region will meet and discuss the duties of a Regional Rep, the qualities desired by the UCWDC and select one (1) nominee to have their name stand for appointment.
 - 2. If Members are unable to attend the General Meeting, a Member representative from their region, in attendance will contact all remaining Members to allow for their input and vote for nominee.
- 3. The Regional Representative must have a good reputation, clear understanding of the English language and must be able to speak and write fluently in English. The Regional Representative must also speak and write fluently in the language of their region.



4. In the event of death, resignation, incapacity or any other inability of a Regional Representative to perform his/her functions, the UCWDC Board of Directors shall declare that he/she has ceased to hold the position of Regional Representative and set the effective date. The Board of Directors shall then appoint a replacement. The General Council then must ratify the replacing person in his/her position for the remainder of the two (2) year term.

4. REGIONS

Refer to the Regional Maps in the appendix of this policy for further clarification

4.1 North America Regions

1. CANADA - WESTERN

British Columbia

Alberta

Saskatchewan

Manitoba

Yukon

Northwest Territories

Nunavut

2. CANADA - EASTERN

Ontario

Quebec

Nova Scotia

New Brunswick

Prince Edward Island

Newfoundland and Labrador

3. UNITED STATES - NORTHEAST

Maine

Vermont

New Hampshire

Connecticut

Massachusetts

Rhode Island

New York

New Jersey

Pennsylvania

Delaware

Maryland

Virginia

West Virginia



4. UNITED STATES - SOUTHEAST

Tennessee

North Carolina

South Carolina

Georgia

Florida

Alabama

Mississippi

5. UNITED STATES - SOUTH CENTRAL

Texas

Oklahoma

New Mexico

Louisiana

Arkansas

Colorado

6. UNITED STATES - NORTH CENTRAL (MIDWEST)

Kentucky

Ohio

Indiana

Illinois

Michigan

Wisconsin

Minnesota

Iowa

Missouri

Kansas

Nebraska

South Dakota

North Dakota

7. UNITED STATES - PACIFIC / ROCKY MOUNTAIN

Washington

Oregon

California

Utah

Nevada

Montana

Wyoming

Idaho

Arizona



4.2 Europe Regions

1. EUROPE - EASTERN

Belarus

Bulgaria

Czech Republic

Hungary

Poland

Moldova

Romania

Slovakia

Ukraine

2. EUROPE - NORTHERN

Aland Islands

Denmark

Estonia

Faroe Islands

Finland

Guernsey

Iceland

Ireland

Isle of Man

Jersey

Latvia

Lithuania

Norway

Sark

Svalbard and Jan Mayen

Sweder

United Kingdom (Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

3. EUROPE - SOUTHERN

Albania

Andorra

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Croatia

Gibraltar

Greece

Italy

Republic of Macedonia

Malta

Montenegro

Portugal

San Marino

Serbia

Slovenia

Spain



4. EUROPE - WESTERN

Austria

Belgium

France

Germany

Liechtenstein

Luxembourg

Monaco

Netherlands

Switzerland

4.3 Asia Regions

1. ASIA - NORTHERN

Russia

2. ASIA - CENTRAL

Armenia

Azerbaijan

Georgia

Kazakhstan

Kyrgyzstan

Tajikistan

Turkmenistan

Uzbekistan

3. ASIA - EASTERN

China

Japan

Macau

Mongolia

North Korea

South Korea

Taiwan

4. ASIA - SOUTHERN

Bangladesh

Bhutan

India

Maldives

Nepal

Pakistan

Sri Lanka



5. ASIA - SOUTHEAST

Brunei

Cambodia

Indonesia

Laos

Malaysia

Myanmar

Philippines

Singapore

Thailand

Timor Lester

Vietnam

Christmas Island

Cocos Islands

6. ASIA - WESTERN

Afghanistan

Bahrain

Cyprus

Iran

Iraq

Israel

Jordan

Kuwait

Lebanon

Oman

Palestine

Qatar

Saudi Arabia

Syria

Turkey

United Arab Emirates

Yemen

4.4 Africa Regions

1. AFRICA - NORTH

Egypt

Libya

Tunisia

Algeria

Morocco

Western Sahara



2. AFRICA - WEST

Benin

Burkina Faso

Cameroon

Cape Verde

Chad

Côte d'Ivoire

Gambia

Ghana

Guinea

Guinea-Bissau

Liberia

Mali

Mauritania

Niger

Nigeria

Senegal

Sierra Leone

Togo

3. AFRICA - CENTRAL

Central African Republic

Congo

Democratic Republic of Congo

Equatorial Guinea

Gabon

São Tomé and Príncipe

4. AFRICA - EAST

Eritrea

Ethiopia

Somalia

Djibouti

Sudan

Uganda

Kenya

Tanzania

Rwanda

Burundi

The Comoros

Mauritius

The Seychelles

Madagascar



5. AFRICA - SOUTH

Angola

Botswana

Lesotho

Malawi

Mozambique

Namibia

South Africa

Swaziland

Zambia

Zimbabwe

4.5 South America Regions

1. NORTH / CENTRAL AMERICA

Mexico

2. CENTRAL AMERICA

Belize

Costa Rica

El Salvador

Guatemala

Honduras

Nicaragua

Panama

3. SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina

Bolivia

Brazil

Chile

Colombia

Ecuador

Guyana

Paraguay

Peru

Suriname

Uruguay

Venezuela



4.6 Oceanic / Australia Region

Australia

Fiji

Kiribati

Marshall Islands

Micronesia

Nauru

New Zealand

Palau

Papua New Guinea

Samoa

Solomon Islands

Tonga

Tuvalu

Vanuatu

4.7 Antarctic Region

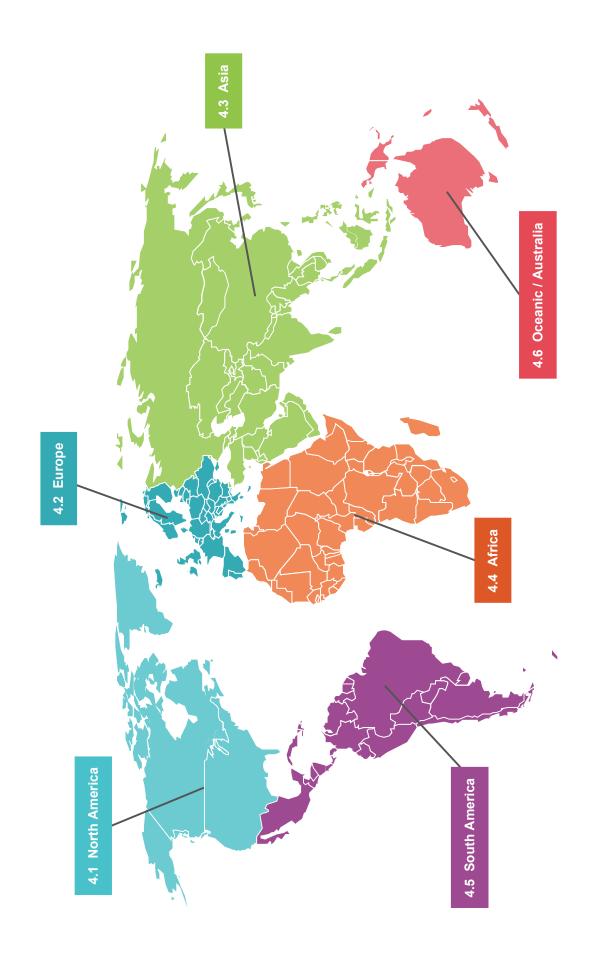
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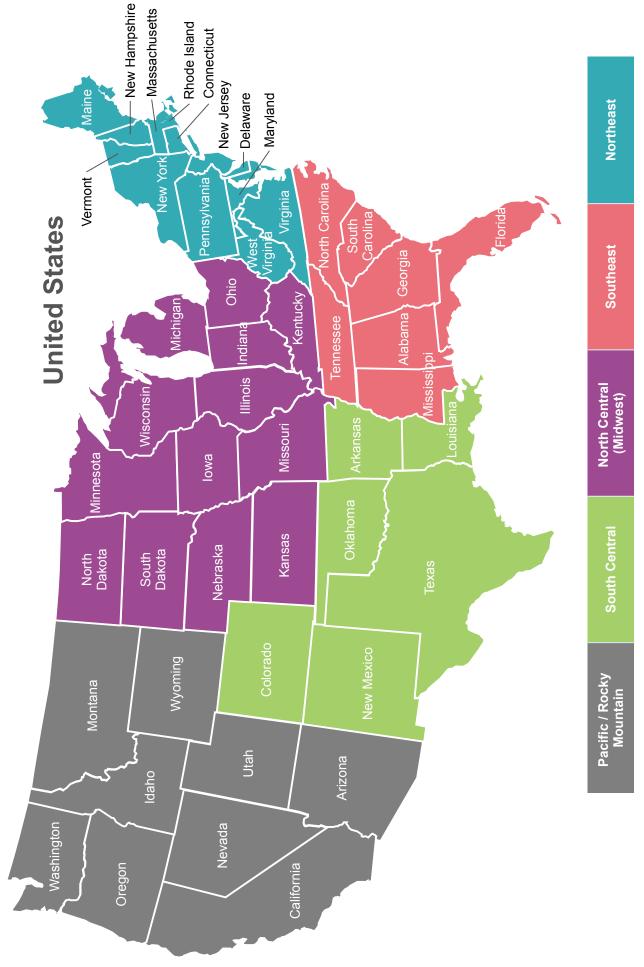
Below is a list of the current Regional Representative positions inside the UCWDC. If the Regional Rep is listed for the 'Major' Region they are responsible for all the sub-regions listed within. (e.g. The Asia Rep is responsible for overseeing the Northern, Central, Eastern, Southern, Southeast and Western Asia Regions)

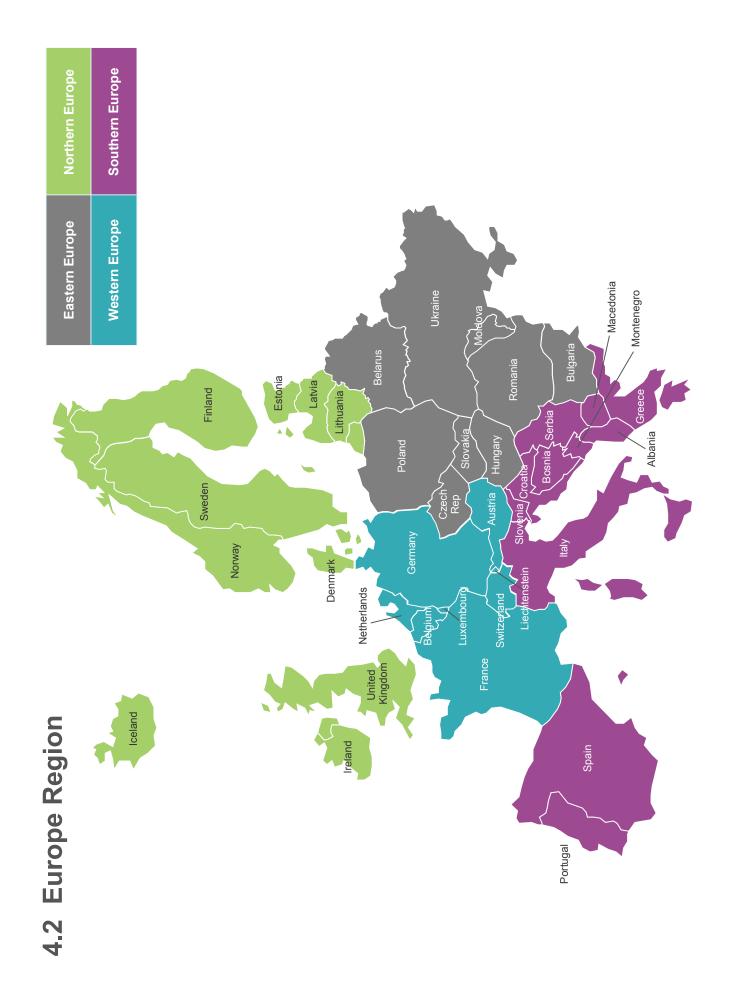
- 1. Canada Western
- 2. Canada Eastern
- 3. United States Northeast
- 4. United States Southeast
- 5. United States South Central
- 6. United States North Central (Midwest)
- 7. United States Pacific / Rocky Mountain
- 8. Europe Northern
- 9. Europe Southern
- 10. Europe Western
- 11. Asia
- 12. Africa South

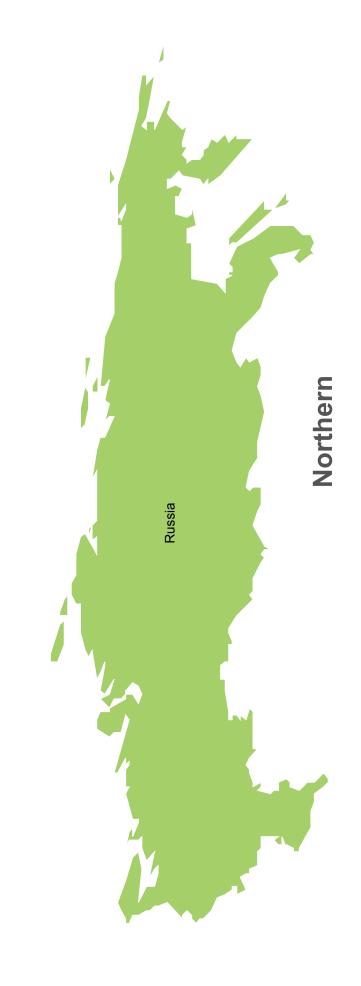
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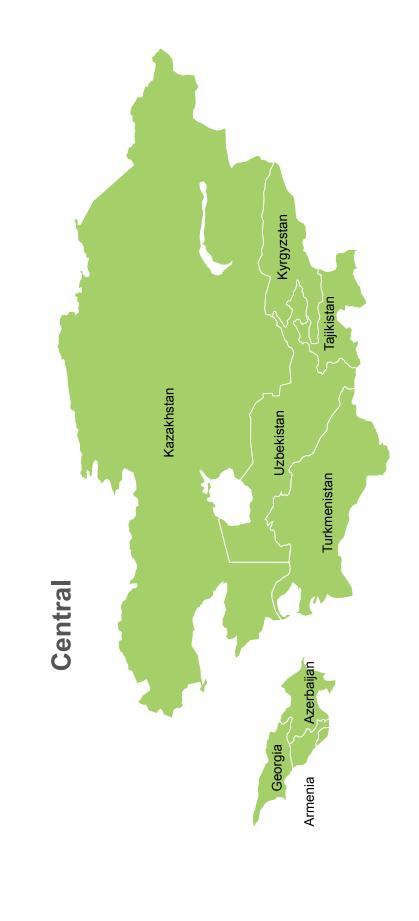
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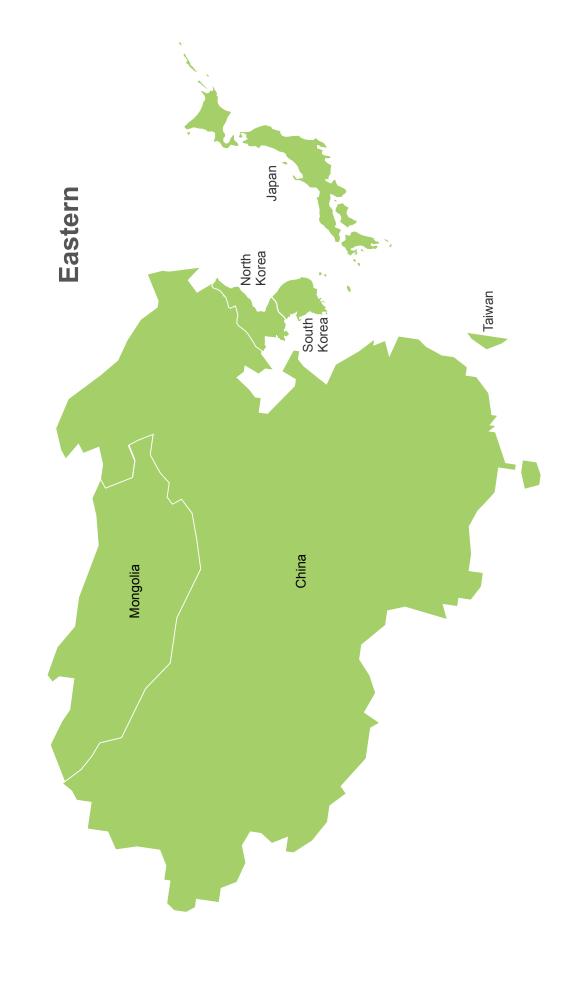


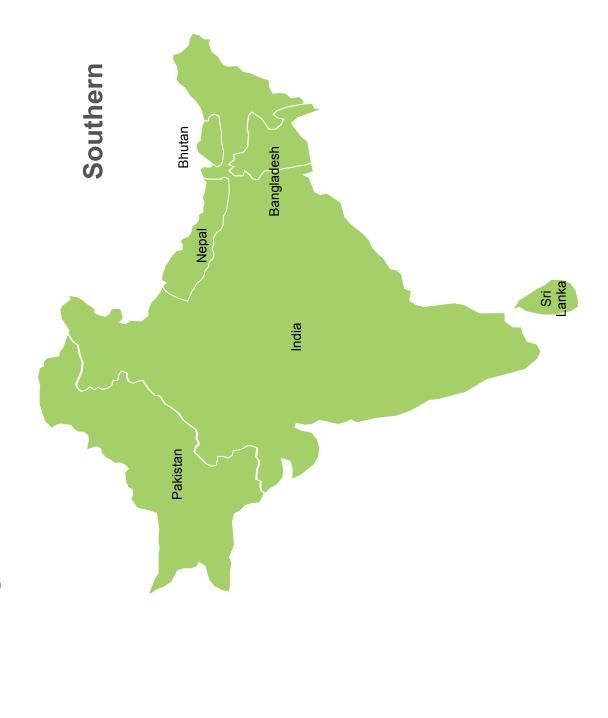


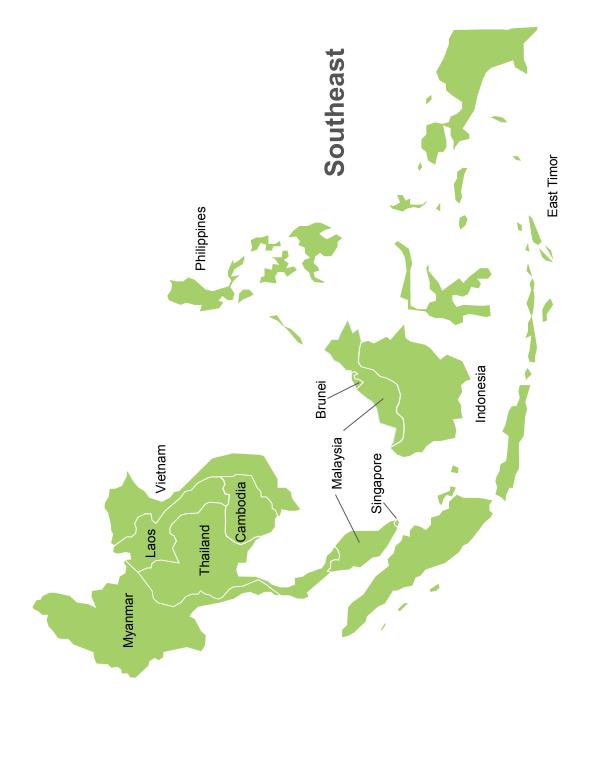


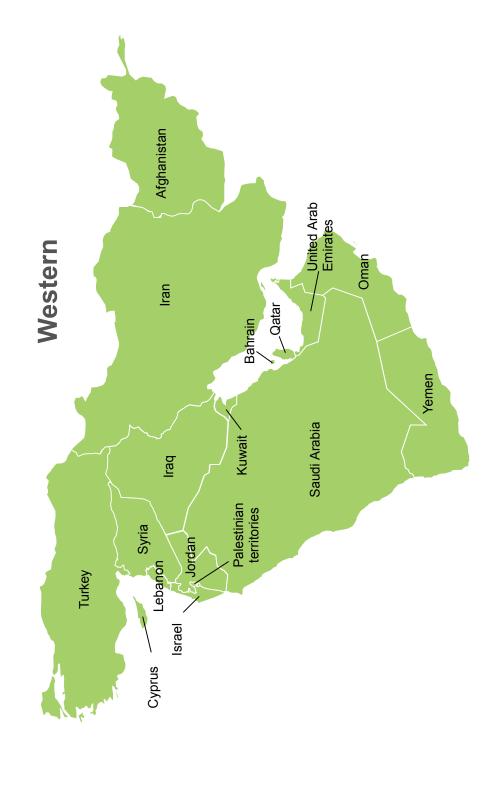


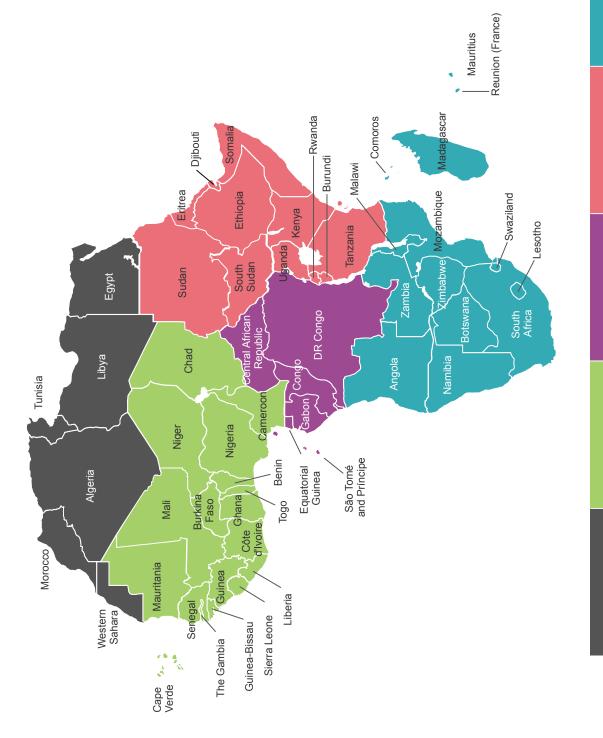










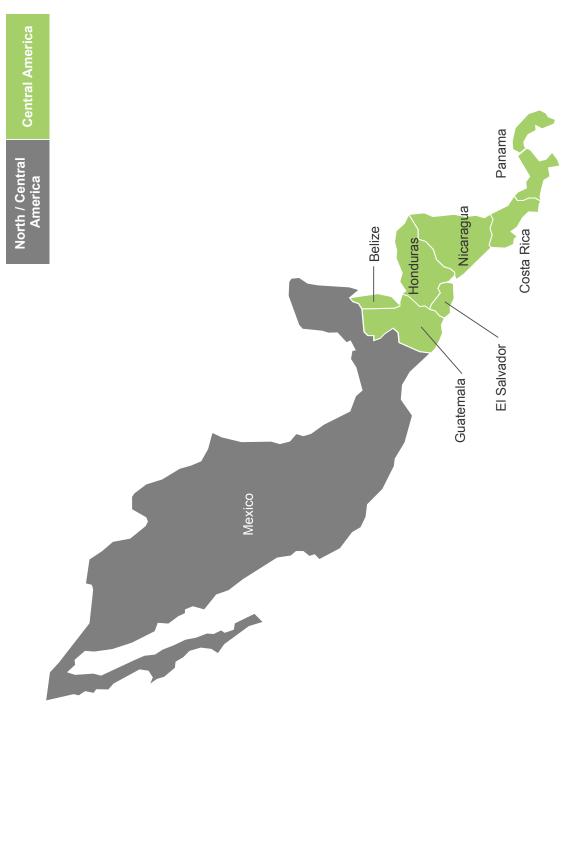


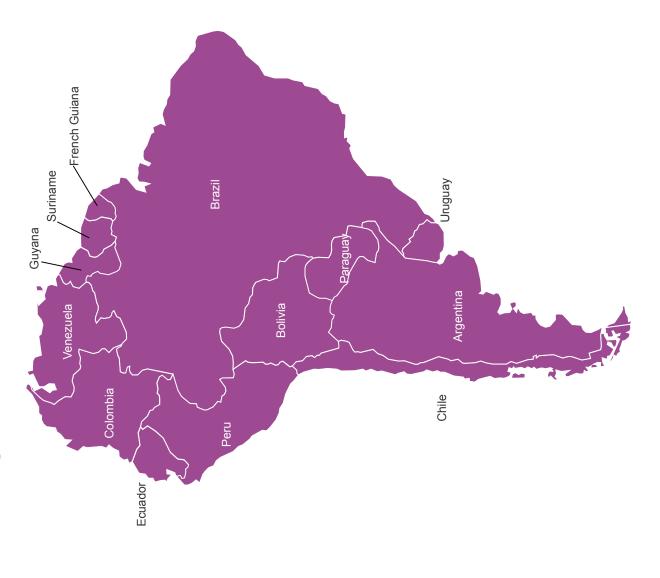
South

East

Central

North





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Tasmania