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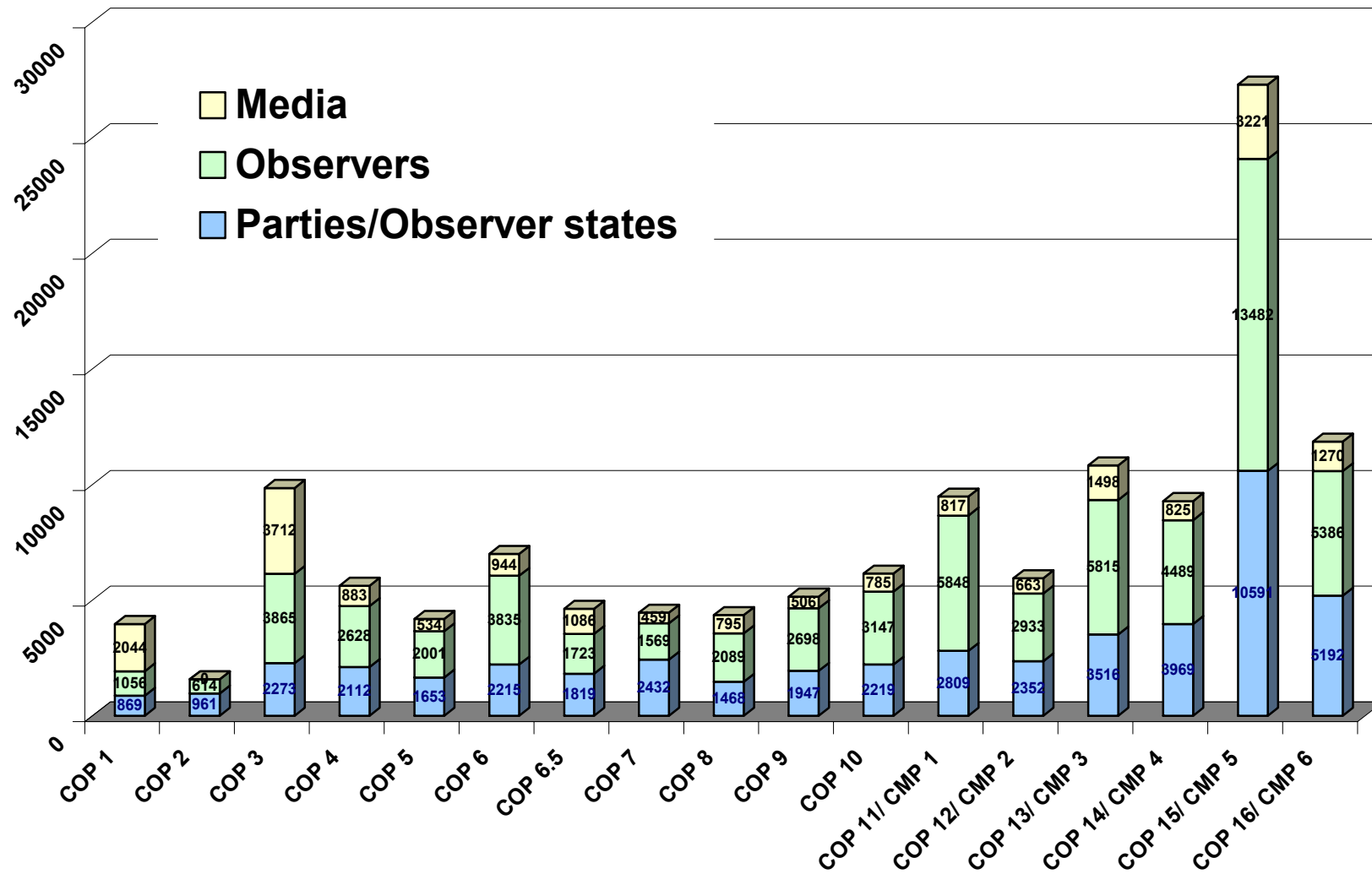


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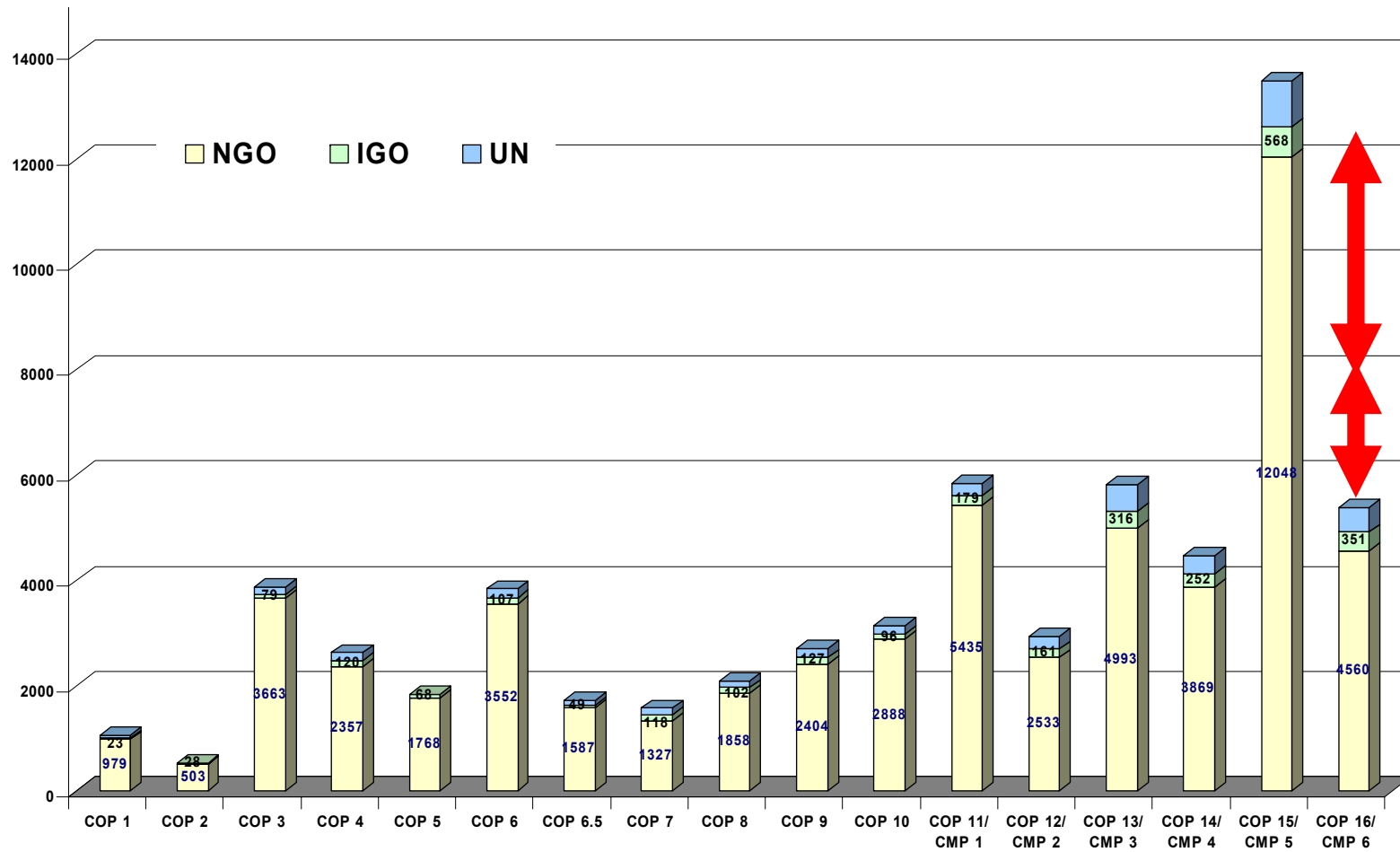
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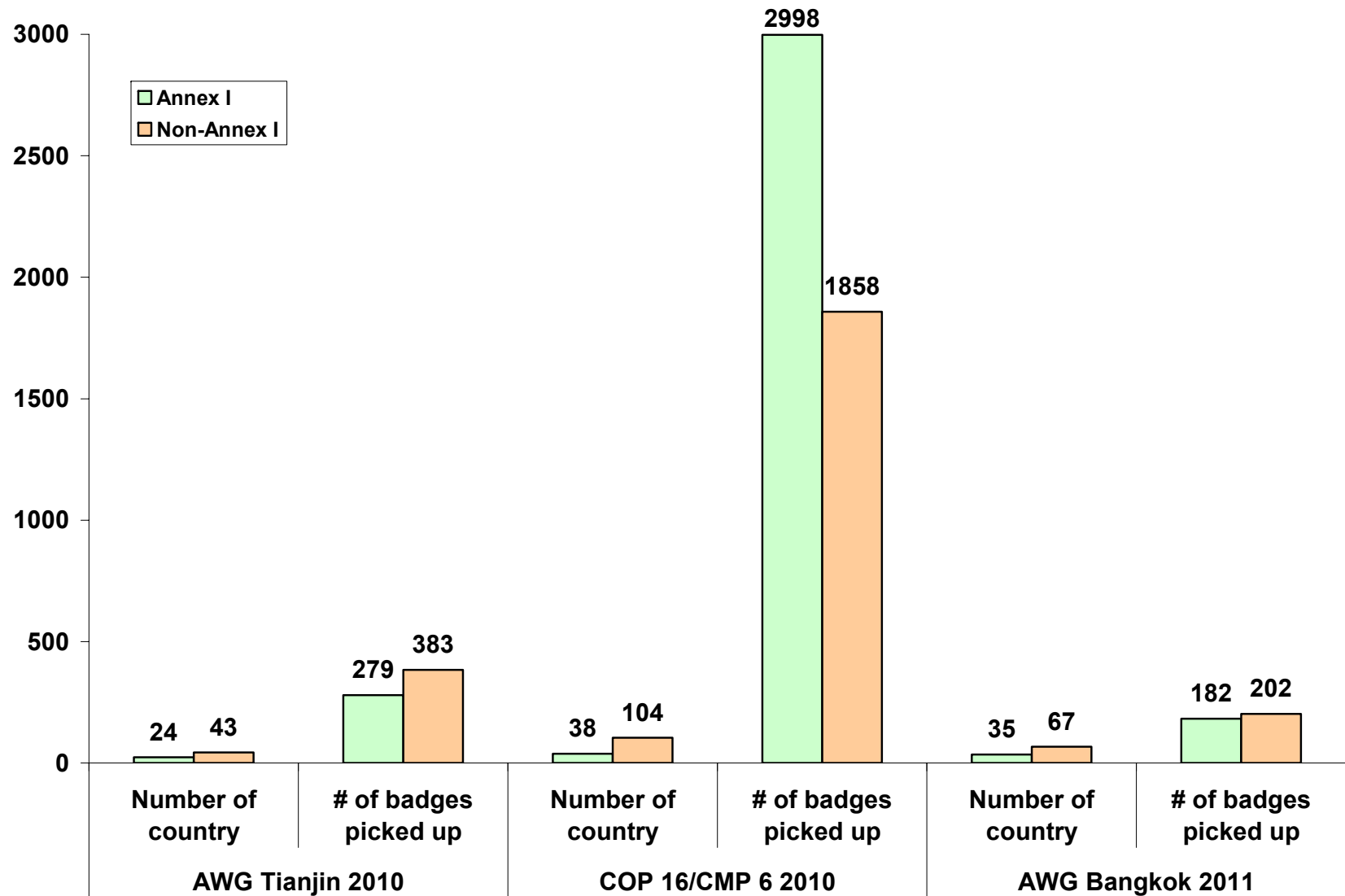
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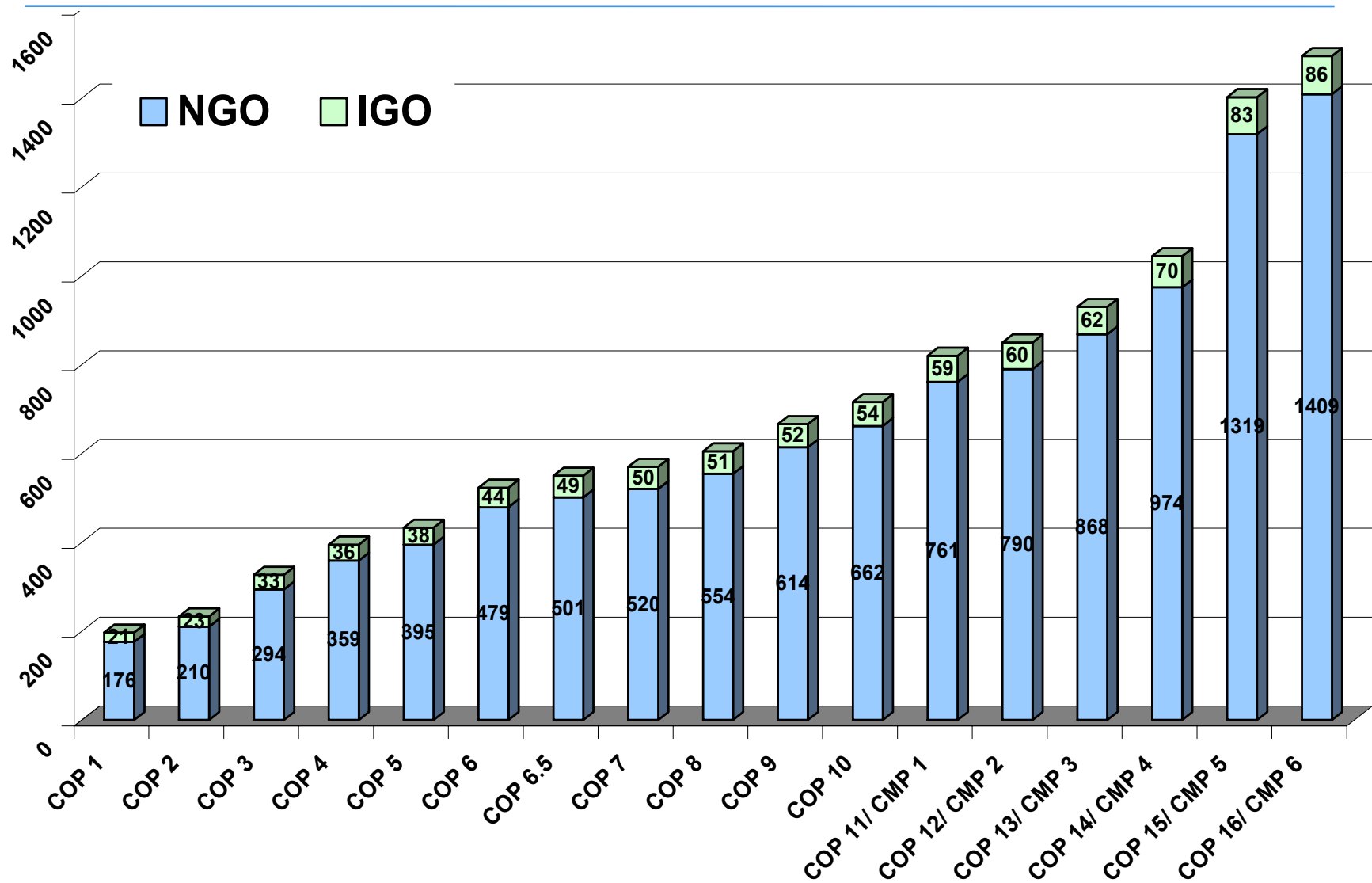
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Participation breakdown by AI - NAI



Cumulative number of admitted organizations



SBI Conclusions

- Fundamental value
- Briefings by COP/CMP President and Chairs
- Interventions
- Intersessional workshops
- Submissions posted on the web
- Use of technical means of participation

SBI Conclusions (continued)

- Interested Parties to financially support NGOs
 - Facilitation of indigenous peoples without recourse to financial support
 - Size of venues
 - Guidelines for participation
 - SG recommendations already part of established UNFCCC practices
 - Aarhus Convention and Almaty Guidelines upheld in UNFCCC's well established practices
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COP/CMP decisions

- Contact Groups
- Organizations admitted before COP 10 to be allowed to CMP 1
- Single admission process between COP and CMP



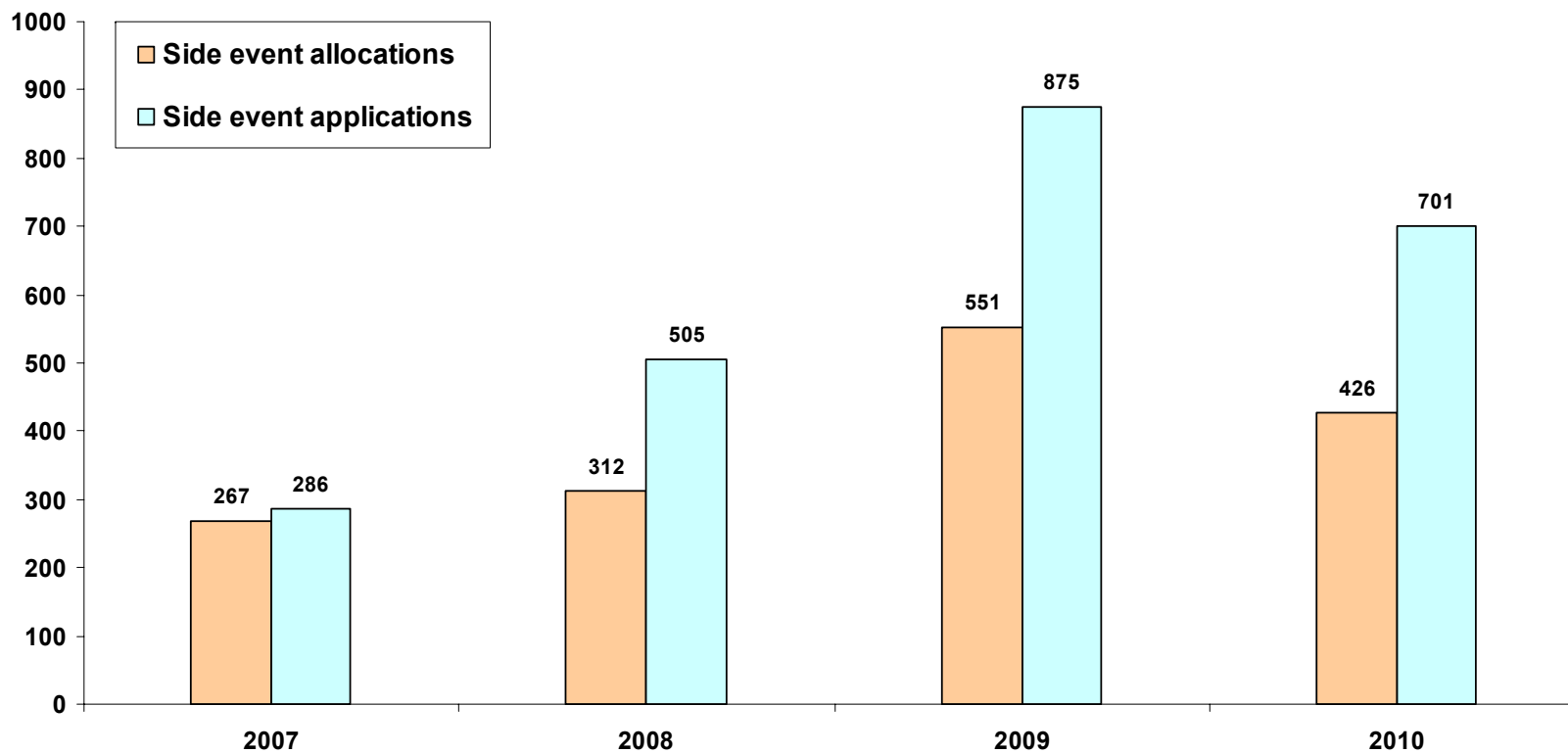
Other modes of participation and transparency without mandates

- COP/CMP Presidency's multi-stakeholder dialogue
- Side events
- Exhibits
- Climate Change Studio
- Bloggers loft
- NGO actions



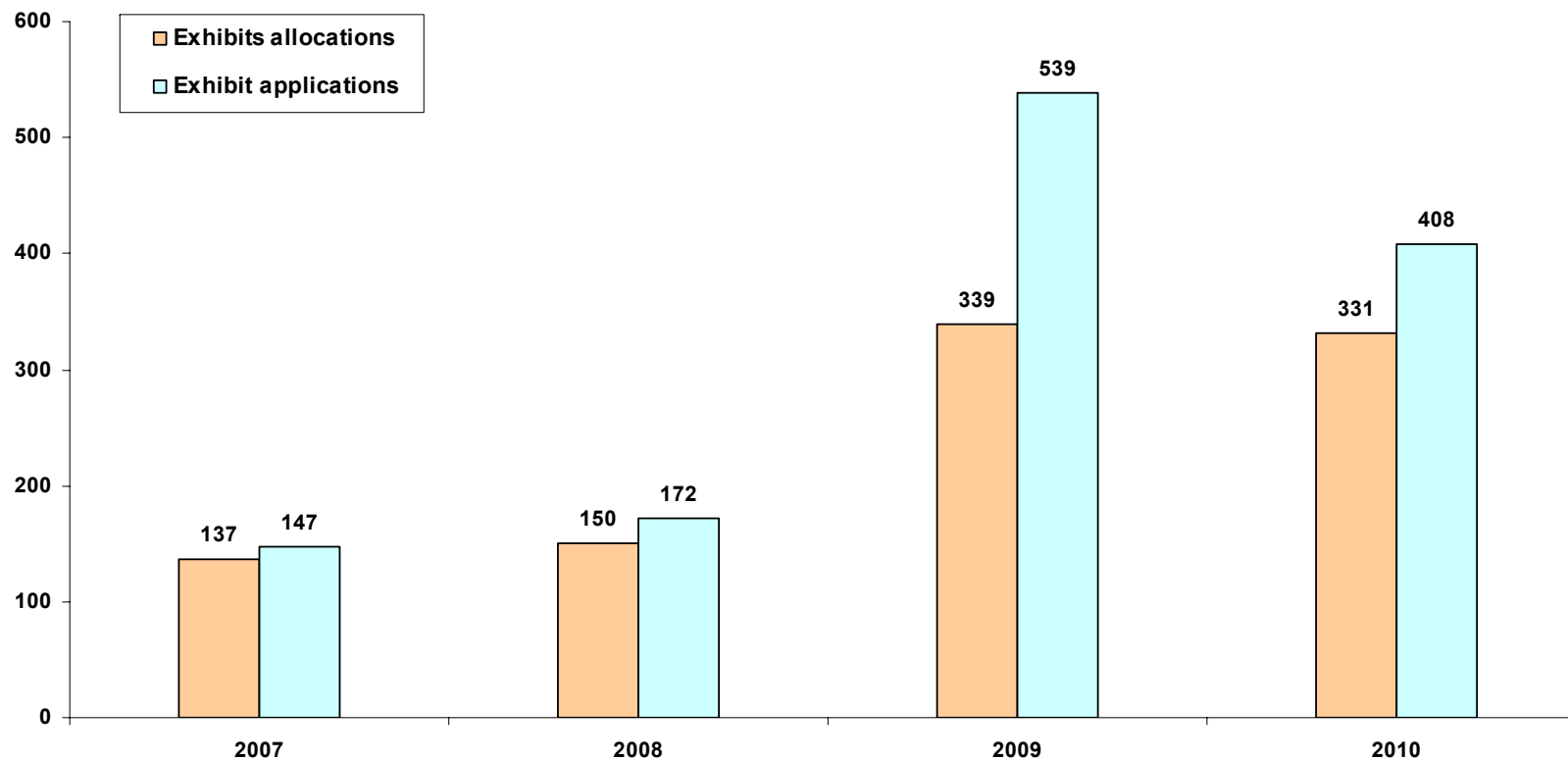
Other means without mandates

Side Event applications and actual allocations



Other means without mandates

Exhibit applications and actual allocations



Other means without mandates



Other means without mandates



Other means without mandates



Source: Secretariat



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Other modes of participation and transparency without mandates (continued)

- Constituency offices
- Constituency Daily meetings
- Constituency Focal Points meetings
- Inter-agency coordination with UN organizations
- ES briefings to UN, IGOs and NGOs



Other modes of participation and transparency without mandates (continued)

- Online documentation
- Draft texts
- Webcast

Other means without mandates

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Dear Reader,

Welcome to the final edition of our UNFCCC newsletter in 2010.

I look forward to this year's Conference of the Parties and Meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (COP 16/CMP 6), taking place from 29 November to 10 December in Cancun, Mexico.

I am confident that Cancun will be a success, where the stage is set for a concrete, positive outcome.

Christiana Figueres, Executive Secretary
United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

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Extreme Storms and Floods Concretely Linked to Climate Change, Says New Study

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UN official urges Latin American nations to capitalize

Good practices of other UN processes (UNEP, Aarhus Conventions, CBD, CCD, etc)

AIM document

- Comments to draft texts
- Free style interventions
- Bureau meetings or “friends of the chair” meetings
- Multi-stakeholder dialogue

Conclusions

- Multi-faceted modes of engagement
- Evolved over 16 years
- Fundamental value
- Heightened interest, increased participation
- No \$ub\$stantial budgetary requirement\$