

Future of STI Agreements

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PAST

Intergovernmental S&T Agreements

- Already concluded in the communist period, since 1966
- Foreign policy driven, involvement of MFA is necessary
- Rather science for diplomacy objective

Inter-institutional MoUs

- Only after the systemic change, since 2005
- Science policy driven, more flexible form between research funders
- Rather diplomacy for science objective

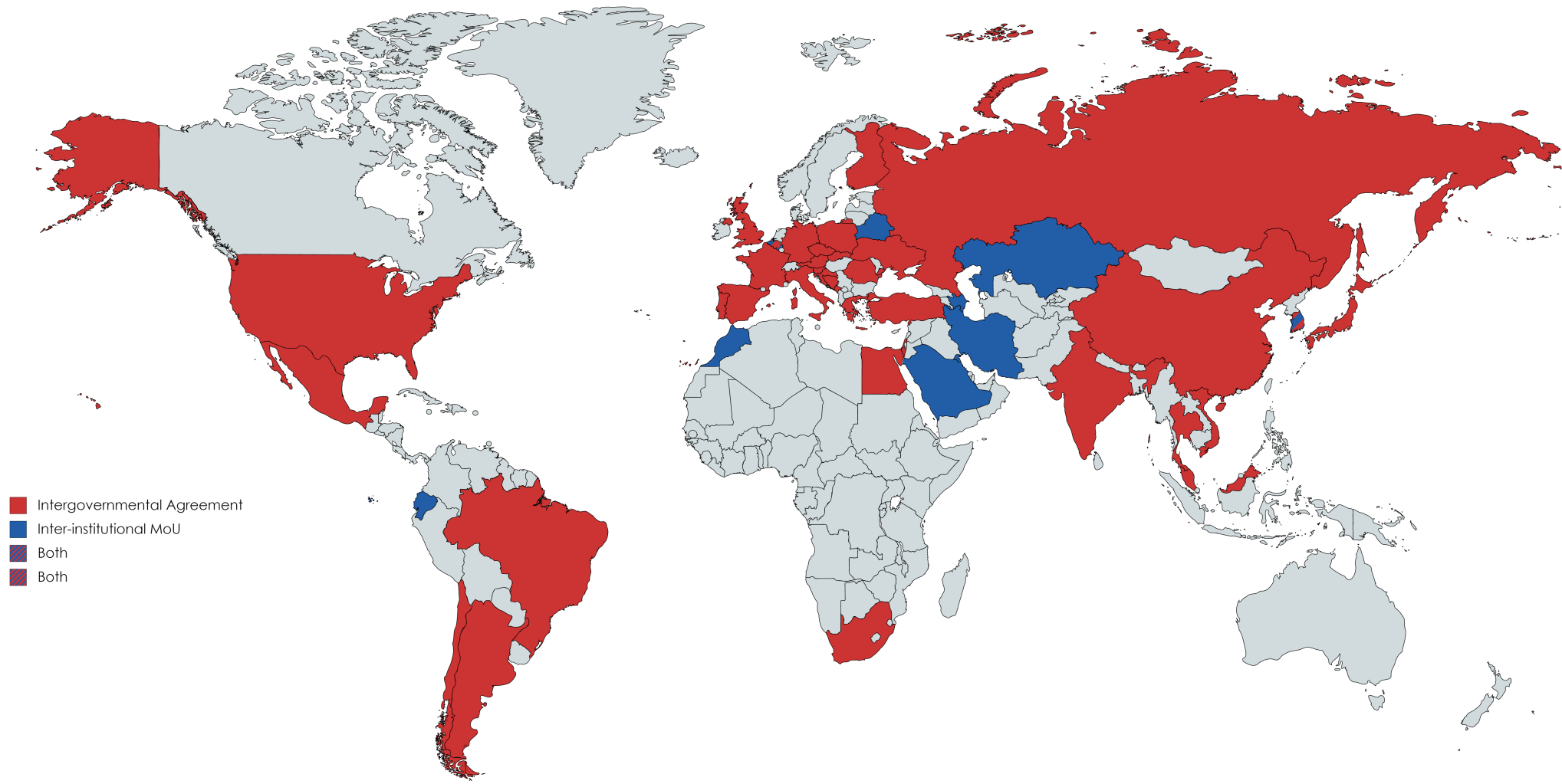
PRESENT

Intergovernmental S&T Agreements

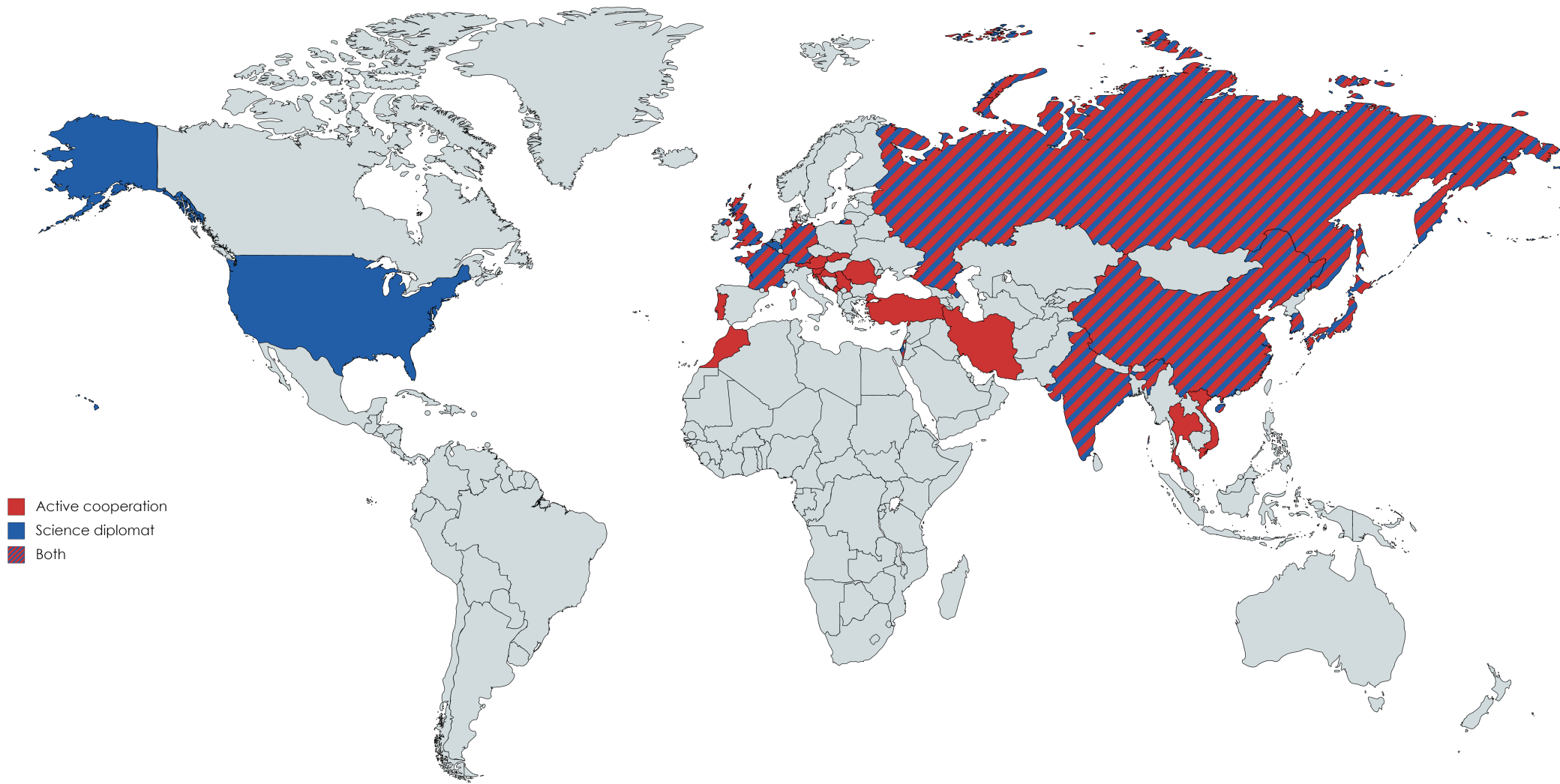
- Number of agreements: 36
- More frequent traditionally
- General content
- High percentage is inactive

Inter-institutional MoUs

- Number of MoUs: 10
- More frequent recently
- General content
- High percentage is inactive



- Intergovernmental Agreement
- Inter-institutional MoU
- Both
- Both



- Active cooperation
- Science diplomat
- Both

FUTURE

EXISTING AGREEMENTS - high chance for survival

The logo for 'Active' features the word in a blue, rounded font. A yellow percentage sign is integrated into the letter 'i', and a yellow swoosh extends from the top of the 'e'.A red triangular warning sign with a white border. The word 'INACTIVE' is written across the center in a black, distressed, stencil-like font.

**Interest of policy
and scientists**

Attachés

**Concrete
documents for
implementation**

**Not enough
interest
(either side)**

**Framework for
possible future
cooperation**

**In case of
interest on both
sides**

FUTURE

FUTURE AGREEMENTS



- Based on political will
- Science for diplomacy
- Scientific interest is a precondition for success



- Based on economic interest
- Innovation focus
- With or without research cooperation



- Based on scientific interest
- Diplomacy for science
- Good chance for active cooperation

FUTURE TRENDS?



**MoUs instead of
intergovernmental Agreements**

Growing focus on innovation

Hybrid types of cooperation

MoUs

More flexibility

General framework

High level enough

INNOVATION

Economic interest
Profit



Basic research



Innovation
Applied research
Technology transfer

HYBRID SOLUTIONS

Bilateral
e.g. mobility,
joint research



Multilateral
e.g. FP,
EUREKA

**Bilateral for
multilateral
Bilateral in
multilateral**

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