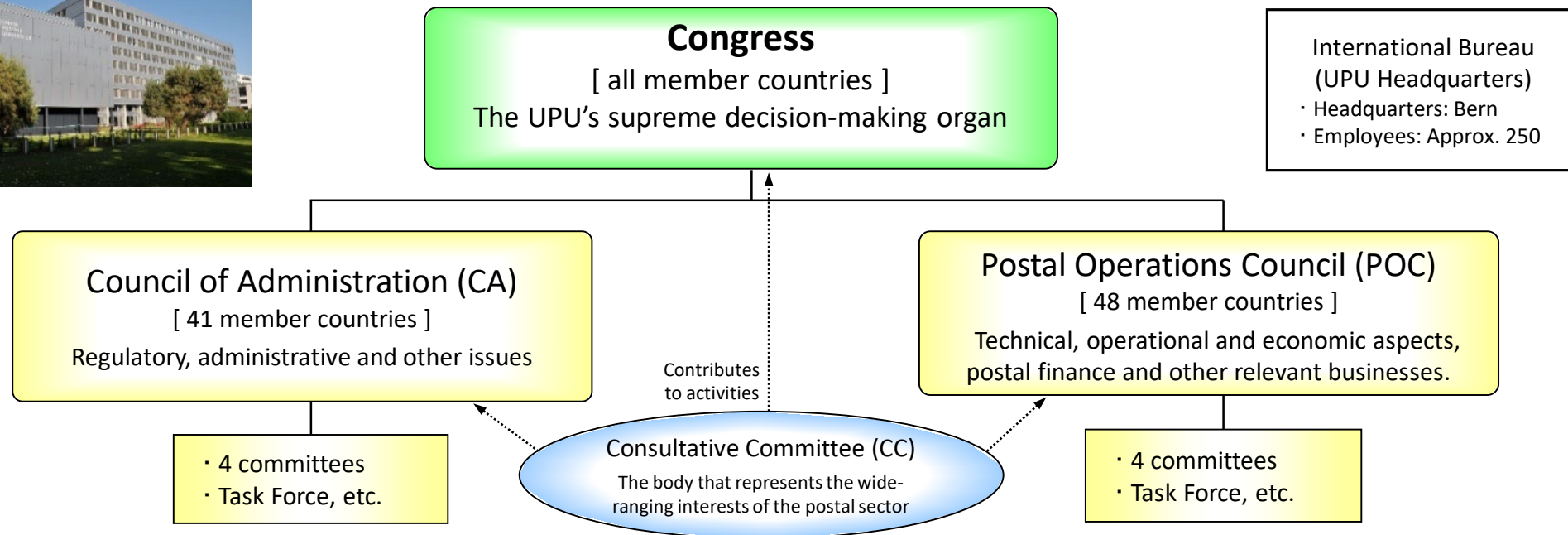


Overview of the Universal Postal Union (UPU)

- Established in 1874.
- 192 member countries and regions (Japan joined the UPU in 1877.).
- More recently, the UPU is highly expected to fulfill the role as an organization to make rules for global logistics supporting e-commerce transactions.
- In January 2022, Mr. Masahiko Metoki of Japan became Director-General of the UPU.
- In October 2023, the Extraordinary Congress took place in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.



Structure of UPU



International Bureau
(UPU Headquarters)
• Headquarters: Bern
• Employees: Approx. 250

Japan's Contribution

- Japan has continued to serve as the member country of the Postal Operations Council since 1957.
- Japan contributes 55 units.
- In addition, Japan contributes to projects for disaster risk management and social issue solutions utilizing the postal networks.