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**Reports of liaison officers**

**Report of the Liaison Officer with the  
International Cartographic Association  
2002-2007**

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### **Summary:**

1. In this report the toponymical activities of the International Cartographic Association are described. The contents of the toponymic sessions at the international cartographic conferences in Durban (2003), in A Coruña (2005) and in Moscow (2007) are listed

## **Report of the Liaison officer with the International Cartographic Association 2002-2007**

During the 2002-2007 term, at the international cartographic conferences organized by ICA, special session on toponymy were held with the following contents:

### **21<sup>st</sup> International Cartographic Conference in Durban, August 10-16, 2003**

2. During the 21<sup>st</sup> ICC, ICA organised a special session on place names, with contributions from:

- Kubheka – Towards the establishment of the authoritative geographical names database for South Africa
- N. Kadmon – A new general textbook on geographical names
- Guiju M – On the characteristics of the atlas of the standard names of the administrative divisions of the people's republic of China
- Du Q - A carto-linguistic paradigm taking a methodological perspective.

In the exhibition there was a special stand of the South African names authority. The special toponymical exhibition with 46 posters that had been prepared for the 8<sup>th</sup> UNCSGN in Berlin was also on display here.

## **22<sup>nd</sup> International Cartographic Conference in A Coruña, Spain, July 9-16, 2005**

3. During the 22<sup>st</sup> ICC, ICA organised a special session on place names, with contributions from:

- A.Santamarina Fernandez, G.Navaza Blanco, X.Garcia Cancela and F.Garcia Pazos - Toponymy thesaurus. Its cartographic integration in a bilingual region.
- V.Zhukovsky and V.Boginsky – Automatic Information Searching System of the State Catalog of geographical names
- M.Parella – Toponymic databases on digital cartography. Tools and utilities
- Y.Ferland – Toponymy structuration for meaning retrieval
- R.Rodriguez Gomila and M.Grimalt Gelabert – The thematic maps derived from microtoponymy as geographic information source.

## **23<sup>rd</sup> International Cartographic Conference in Moscow, Russia, August 4-9, 2007**

4. During the 23<sup>rd</sup> ICC, ICA organised a special session on place names, (Oral session 3, chaired by G.Andrienko and M.Fleis) with contributions from:

- F.J. Ormeling - The EuroGeoNames project: developing a European geographical names infrastructure and services
- A. Guszlev, L. Lukacs, J.J. Reyes Nunez – Database of Hungarian geographical names
- M. Zych - Geographical names in minority languages on maps.
- M.T. Garrido, B. Risquete, C. Torrecillas - Generation of a toponymical database of Andalusia in the Institute of Cartography of Andalusia
- Z. Stachon - Usability of automated geographical names placement
- Yu. Artemyev - The problems of toponymics in cartography
- Y. Ferland – Toponymic standardization: problems for military and security usages
- C.J.B. Santos, M.T. Marino, G.R. Moreira, P.M.L. Menezes - The database of geographical names of Brazil BNGB: building, prototype and distribution of place names to Brazilian society
- C.J.B. Santos - Geographic names of the state of Rio de Janeiro (BR), from the XVI to the XXI century: a boarding diachronic
- A. Moscicka, M. Brzezinska, A. Wrochna – Methodology of creating a database about geographical objects and their names occurring in the bible

### **Web course in toponymy**

5. The ICA Commission on Education and Training, chaired by Laszlo Zentai (Eötvös Lorand University, Budapest, Hungary) has added a module on Toponymy to its web course on cartography. This module was initiated by Antal Guszlev and Lazlo Zentai, and is currently being extended by Krisztina Iras. The module can be accessed through the website of the ICA Commission on Education and Training, <http://lazarus.elte.hu/cet/index.html>