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Item 7 of the Provisional Agenda

Activities relating to the Working Group on Training
Courses in Toponymy

Training Course in Toponymy, Vienna 16-27 March 2006
Dutch-and German-speaking Division (DGSD)*

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The Austrian Academy of Sciences (Names board on geographical names, AKO) in cooperation with the Federal Office for Metrology and Surveying and the Dutch- and German-speaking Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names held a “Training Course in Toponymy” for participants from Southeast European countries and from Central Asia. This course was attended by 11 participants from 7 countries.

The course was supported by the UN and it is to say our warmest thanks for this support.

The structure of the course was close to the scheme of the former UNGEGN courses and contained 5 main sections:

- (1) Introduction into basics and methods of work with geographical names
- (2) Field work
- (3) Office processing
- (4) Excursion
- (5) Presentation of relevant Austrian experiences in the fields of geoinformatics, cartography and toponomastics

The course was carried out by the experts of the Federal Office for Metrology and Surveying (Mr Fuhrmann, Mr Meckel, Mr Mittermaier, Mr Zierhut) and guided by Mr Ormeling, chair of the UNGEGN Working Group on Training Courses in Toponymy, by Mrs Kerfoot, chair of UNGEGN and by Mr Peeter Päll, chair of the Working Group on Romanization.