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**Reports on the work of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, its divisions, working groups and task teams since the Ninth Conference**

### Report of the East Central and South-East Europe Division for the period 2007-2012

#### Summary\*\*

The report sets out the activities of the East Central and South-East Europe Division for the period 2007-2012. It provides information on, among other things, the nineteenth and twentieth sessions of the Division, held in Zagreb in 2008 and 2011, respectively; informal meetings; texts published in the information bulletin of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names; meetings chaired by the Division; the overview document prepared to collect information about the standardization of geographical names in the Division's member countries; the Division's website; and developments in terms of the Division's documentation.

Between 2007 and 2012, Georgia and Montenegro joined the Division. The Division's tradition of holding joint meetings continued, and a number of the Division's member countries joined EuroGeoNames, a project to link and provide access to the official, multilingual geographical names data held at the national level across Europe.

Although the level of development and the achievements in terms of standardization of geographical names in the Division's member countries are not uniform, the number of activities by the Division is on the rise, as is the number of countries actively participating in the Division's work.

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\*\* The full report was prepared by Željko Hećimović (State Geodetic Administration of Croatia), Chair of the Division, and is available in the language of submission only from <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/ungegnConf10.html>.

