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**Reports: Divisions of the Group of Experts****Report of the Baltic Division****Summary\*\***

The report covers the period since the Eleventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names.

There are five member countries of the Baltic Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names: Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and the Russian Federation. Latvia is coordinating the activities of the Division for the four-year period starting in 2017. The Chair of the Division is Vita Strautniece (Latvia) and the Vice-Chair is Maciej Zych (Poland).

The nineteenth meeting of the Baltic Division was held in Lithuania in May 2018. The Division was represented at the Eleventh United Nations Conference and at the thirtieth session of the Group of Experts. Experts from the States members of the Baltic Division participated in the continuous work of the working groups of the Group of Experts: the Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers, the Working Group on Romanization Systems, the Working Group on Toponymic Terminology, the Working Group on Country Names and the Working Group on Exonyms, as well as in other international events related to geographical names.

Records of all meetings of the Baltic Division since 1992 can be found on the website of the Division (<http://eki.ee/knn/ungegn>).

The Report includes detailed information on the nineteenth meeting of the Baltic Division, the twenty-first meeting of the Working Group on Exonyms, hosted by Latvia, and participation in working groups of the Group of Experts and other geographical names-related international events.

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\* [GEGN.2/2019/1](#).

\*\* The full report was prepared by Vita Strautniece, Chair of the Baltic Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, in collaboration with members of the Division. The report will be available at [https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/1st\\_session\\_UNGEGN.html](https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/UNGEGN/1st_session_UNGEGN.html), in the language of submission only, as document [GEGN.2/2019/79/CRP.79](#).

