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The Central European Conference on Cartography, the Symposium of the International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Technical Commission II and the Twelfth International Symposium on Spatial Data Handling (SDH 2006) of the International Geographical Union Commission on Geographical Information Science jointly organized the international conference “GICON 2006: Geoinformation Connecting Societies”, held in Vienna in July 2006.

At this conference, a special session on toponymy was arranged. Six reports were presented at this session:

- Annelies Glander: Toponyms and exonyms in the European Union language services
- Peter Jordan: The official use of minority names: a comparison of situations in Central Europe
- Hans Rudolf Mösching: Multilingual toponymy of Switzerland: a complex matter
- Jörn Sievers and Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu: EuroGeoNames (EGN): developing a European geographical names infrastructure and services
- Roman Stani-Fertl: Toponyms and editorial work: problems and guidelines
- Eveline Wandl-Vogt: Mapping dialects: maps as a primary structure to access dictionaries of dialects

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Reports have been published in English or with an English summary in K. Kriz, W. Cartwright, A. Pucher and M. Kinberger, *Kartographie als Kommunikationsmedium* (Cartography as a means of communication) (vol. 17 of *Wiener Schriften zur Geographie und Kartographie*) 2006 Wien, ISBN 3-900830-59-2.
