Organization of work for the 29th session of the UNGEGN *

* Submitted by the UNGEGN Secretariat
Monday 
25 April 
9:30-12:00

Opening of the Session

**Item 1. Adoption of the Agenda and of the Provisional Program of Work**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

*Documents for presentation:*
GEGN/29/1 Provisional agenda
GEGN/29/12/Rev.1 Draft organization of work for the 29th session of UNGEGN

**Item 2. Report of the Chair**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

*Documents for presentation:*
GEGN/29/10 Report of the Chair
WP67/2 Review of UNGEGN Operation Modalities

**Item 3. Report of the Secretariat of the Group of Experts**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

*Documents for presentation:*
GEGN/29/11 Report of the UNGEGN Secretariat

**Item 4. Reports of the Divisions**

Chair: Ferjan Ormeling, UNGEGN Vice Chair

*Documents for presentation:*
WP76/4/Rev.2 Overview of Division Reports

*Documents for information:*
WP1/4 Rapport de la division francophone
WP16/4 Report of the Baltic Division
WP23/4/Rev.1 Africa South Division Report
WP24/4 Report of the Eastern Europe, Northern and Central Asia Division
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**Item 5. Reports of the Liaison Officers and International Organizations**

Chair: Ferjan Ormeling, UNGEGN Vice Chair

*Documents for presentation:*
- WP19/5 Report by the International Hydrographic Organization
- WP80/5 Report of the Liaison Officer, International Council of Onomastic Sciences
- WP84/5 ICANN Report to the 29th UNGEGN

*Documents for information:*
- GEGN/29/7 Contact Information on National Geographical Names Authorities

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**Item 6. Activities of the Task Team for Africa**

Chair: Brahim Atoui, Coordinator of the Task Team

*Documents for presentation:*
- WP4/6 Report of Task Team for Africa

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**Item 7. Implementation of Resolutions and Activities Relating to the Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation**

Chair: Sungjae Choo, Convenor of the Working Group

*Documents for presentation:*
WP14/7  Creation d’une nouvelle division englobant les pays d’Afrique du Nord et les pays du Sahel
WP20/7  UNGEGN and UNCSGN documents on the UNGEGN website – the status quo
WP60/7  Evaluation of the Twenty-eighth Session of the UNGEGN: A Review of the Questionnaire Survey Results
WP63/7  Report of the Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation
WP73/7  South African Geographical Names

Documents for information:

Tuesday
26 April
9:00 – 12:00

Special presentation: The Power of Place and Place Names - UN-GGIM and UNGEGN by Stefan Schweinfest, United Nations Statistics Division
Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

Item 8. Activities Relating to the Working Group on Training Courses in Toponymy

Chair: Ferjan Ormeling, Convenor of the Working Group

Documents for presentation:
WP30/8  Report of the Liaison officer with the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH)
WP33/8  Toponymy workshop of Tunis: A road map to orient the activities of the national committee of toponymy
WP51/8  Report on the production of an UNGEGN Toponymy manual
WP81/8  Formation et expertise en toponymie dans le monde francophone
WP85/8  UNGEGN moving forward with capacity building in administration of geographical names

Documents for information:
WP48/8  Activities relating to the Working Group on Training Courses in Toponymy
Item 9. Activities Relating to the Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers

Chair: Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu, Convenor of the Working Group

Documents for presentation:
WP2/9 Normalización de los nombres geográficos en España
WP5/9 Old German place-name Gazetteer of Austria and South Tyrol
WP6/9 Historical-etymological Gazetteer of Salzburg Place Names
WP18/9 List of official names of localities in Poland (2015 edition)
WP21/9/Rev.1 UNGEGN World Geographical Names Database: an update
WP27/9 The renewed Geographic Names Register of the National Land Survey of Finland
WP38/9 Online Discussion Forum of the Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers – a status report
WP39/9 Provision of an INSPIRE-conform web service for Geographical Names in Germany

Tuesday 26 April 14:00 – 17:00

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Chair: Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu, Convenor of the Working Group

WP44/9 Toponymic Data as Part of the Content of a Country Code Standard
WP65/9 New Marine Geographical Names and SCUFN Online Systems Developed by the Republic of Korea
WP71/9 Advances in Spatial Data Management in Canada’s National Geographical Names Database

Documents for information:
WP25/9 Geographical Names database in Slovenia
WP40/9 Status Report on the EuroGeoNames (EGN) transition to the GeoLocator service in the European Location Project (ELF)
WP79/9 Report from Kenya

Special presentation: Online Discussion Forum of the Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers by Pier-Giorgio Zaccheddu,
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Chair: Staffan Nyström, Convenor of the Working Group

**Documents for presentation:**
- WP3/10/Rev.1  Proposition de définition de nouveau termes pour le glossaire terminologique
- WP8/10      When exonyms and endonyms turn into international names
- WP72/10     Undersea Feature Terminology
- WP87/10     The new Hungarian translation of Glossary of Terms for the Standardization of Geographical Names

**Documents for information:**
- WP17/10     Glossary of Terms for the standardization of geographic names. The Polish edition

### Item 11. Activities Relating to the Working Group on Romanization Systems

Chair: Peeter Päll, Convenor of the Working Group

**Documents for presentation:**
- WP50/11     Report of the Working Group on Romanization Systems
- WP22/11     Investigation of rules for translating Japanese geographical names in English

**Special presentation:**  "Progress and challenges of space technology applications in Asia and the Pacific"

by Tae Hyung KIM, UNESCAP, Information and Communication Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

### Item 12. Activities Relating to the Working Group on Country Names

Chair: Elisabeth Calavarin, Convenor of the Working Group

**Documents for presentation:**
- WP57/12     Exonyms and endonyms in country names used in Brazil
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**Item 16. Activities Relating to the Working Group on Geographical Names as Cultural Heritage**

Chair: Annette Torensjö, Convenor of the Working Group

**Documents for presentation:**

- WP10/16 Place Name Changes
- WP11/16 Slovene field and house names in Carinthia [Kärnten]
- WP28/16 Digitalisation of the Names Archive
- WP43/16 The Cultural Heritage Protection of Chinese Geographical Names
- WP56/16 Report of the Working Group on Geographical Names as Cultural Heritage
- WP64/16 International Meetings on Toponymy with Specific Focus on Cultural Heritage and the Public
- WP70/16 Indigenous Naming Activities in Canada
- WP78/16 The Difference a Single Name Can Make
- WP82/16 From paper to bytes – digitising geographical names records

**Documents for information:**

- WP59/16 International Seminar on Sea Names, 2014~2015
- WP86/16 Task Team on Transformation Of Heritage Landscape

**Thursday 28 April 9:00-12:00**

**Special Presentation:** *Innovation in Naming: Case Studies and challenges for geographic names in 2016*  
by Patrick L. Jones, Senior Director, Global Stakeholder Engagement, Internet Corporation for Assigned Names & Numbers

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

**Item 17. Toponymic Guidelines for Map and Other Editors for International Use**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

**Documents for presentation:**

- WP13/17 Toponymic guidelines for map and other editors, for international use – Report of the Coordinator
- WP29/17 Updating Of Toponymic Guidelines For Map Editors And Other Editors – Finland
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**Item 18. Other Toponymic Issues**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

Documents for presentation:
- WP15/18 New Developments in Geographical Names
- WP26/18 Online guidelines for the use of proper name in the Finnish Language


Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

Documents for information:
- GEGN/29/3 Provisional Agenda for the Eleventh Conference

**Item 20. Review of the Statute of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

Documents for presentation:
- WP55/20 Review of the statute of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names

**Item 21 Date, Venue and Provisional Agenda for the Thirtieth Session of the Group of Experts**

Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair

Documents for presentation:
- GEGN/29/6 Provisional agenda for the thirtieth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names
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                               | By Mr. Steven Ramage, ‘’what3words’’                                |
|                | Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair                                    |
| Friday 29 April 14:00 – 17:00    | **Item 22. Adoption of the Report**                                  |
|                | Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair                                    |
|                | **Item 22. contd Adoption of the Report**                             |
|                | Chair: William Watt, UNGEGN Chair                                    |