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SUMMARY

The Instituto Geográfico Nacional (IGN) is the official organization responsible for carrying out national gazetteers of Spain. This paper include national gazetteers and toponymic data base made by IGN since the Eighth Conference (Berlin, 2002), that is, Concise Gazetteer of Spain (approved in May 2007), and also the National Gazetteer and Toponymic Data Base from BTN25 (Base Topográfica Numérica of National Topographic Map 1: 25 000) that the IGN is currently carrying out.

Works that are being carried out for geographical names treatment of Toponymic Data Base from BTN25 (1 million of entries) are described. Also it is included a scheme of feature types catalogue. Structure of this data base is the same as proposed in Spanish Gazetteer Model. Finally, it is outlined the project of the National Gazetteer of Spain that the IGN will implement in collaboration with the Committee on Geographical Names (Comisión de Nombres Geográficos) of the Geographical High Board (Consejo Superior Geográfico) and Autonomous Regions.