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Advanced toponymy manual

Summary**

The plan to have an advanced toponymy course, launched at the Tenth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, was subsequently changed to a plan to produce a manual that would be downloadable from the website of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names and contain the same content, which would enable a larger number of people to be reached. A team of reviewers was constituted and authors were solicited at the twenty-eighth session of the Group, held in 2014. Most of their contributions were received by the time of the twenty-ninth session, held in 2016, and the material was reviewed and adapted to the layout constraints before the Eleventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names. The format is such that, as time passes, chapters can easily be amended and new chapters added in order to keep the manual up to date.

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