

AGENDA of the Day of Place Names

October 20, 2016 12.00-17.00, Riga, Museum of War

12.00 - 13.00 *Registration. Exhibition on work and publications of the Laboratory of Toponymy. Coffee.*

13.00 – 13.25 Opening of the Event

13.00 - 13.05 Welcoming Speech – Valdis Bērziņš, Deputy Director of the Latvian Geospatial Information Agency

13.05 - 13.15 Welcoming Speech – Andris Zelmanis, Director of Department of Geodesy and Cartography of the Latvian Geospatial Information Agency

13.15 - 13.25 Welcoming Speech – Peeter Päll, UNGEGN expert, Head of the Language Planning Department of Estonian Language Institute

13.25 – 14.20 Laboratory of Toponymy –22 years of work

13.25 – 13.50 Laboratory without any flask – insight in past, present and future. Thanks to the veterans and former managers. – Vita Strautniece, Laboratory of Toponymy

13.50 – 14.05 Geographical Names Database – Māra Šterna, Laboratory of Toponymy

14.05 - 14.20 Place names “kitchen” in the Laboratory of Toponymy and Ingenuity game. – Otilija Kovaļevska, Laboratory of Toponymy.

14.20 – 15.15 *Coffee break, jubilee pretzel*

15.15 – 17.00 Place names around us

15.15 – 15.30 From notebooks and cards in the hose cart to a computerized database. Geographical Names Card Index transformations through two milleniums – Sanda Rapa, Latvian Language Institute, University of Latvia

15.30 – 15.45 The short dictionary of the origin of Latvian geographical names “From Abava to Zilupe” – Laimute Balode, Latvian Language Institute, University of Latvia

15.45 – 16.00 The Geographical Names Sub-commission of the the Latvian Language Experts Commission. – Agris Timuška, State Language Centre

16.00 – 16.15 Twists and turns of Latgalian place names standardization – Lidija Leikuma, Faculty of Humanities, University of Latvia

16.15 - 16.30 Place names and archaeology: ancient burial grounds – Juris Urtāns, Latvian Academy of Culture

16.30 – 16.45 Memories about the street and village historical names renewal – Jānis Turlajs, “Jāņa sēta Map Publishers”

16.45- 17.00 Recovered river Gauja coast toponymy in Piebalga: tributaries, elbows and depths – Gints Skutāns, historian, local studies enthusiast

17.00 – 17.20 Discussion and conclusion