



The International Map Year 2015-2016

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CONFERENCE ON THE
STANDARDIZATION OF
GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES

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The Conference, recognizing the enormous benefit of reliable and authoritative geospatial information and maps in decision-making for the sustainable use of natural resources, economic development, and for community well-being,, recommends the International Cartographic Association to proclaim and organize an International Map Year in 2015.

Specific purposes of IMY were to:

- Make maps more visible to citizens and school children
- Give all students an opportunity to learn more about cartography and about its associated geospatial sciences
- Show how maps and atlases can be used in society;
- Encourage all to experience how information technology can be used in acquiring and handling geographic information, and how it is possible to produce one's own maps;
- Display and show different types of maps and map production;
- Demonstrate the necessity of a sustainable development of geographic information infrastructures

why should IMY have been relevant to UNGEGN?

- Because geographical names are an essential part of maps; **without names**. maps would be like photographs or satellite imagery: unable to provide proper links with our environment.
- Because in a freely downloadable manual ICA incorporated a chapter on **toponymy**
- Because within the framework of IMY the ICA demonstrated how maps **with standardized names** can support reaching the 17 Global Sustainability Development Goals

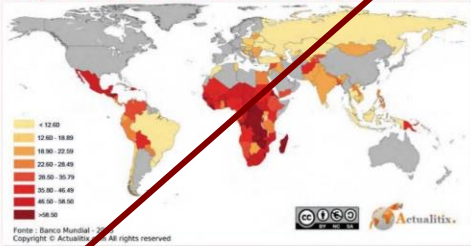
Ending Poverty in all its forms everywhere

THE GLOBAL GOALS
For Sustainable Development

Target
By 2030, eradicate extreme poverty for all people everywhere, currently measured as people living on less than \$1.25 a day

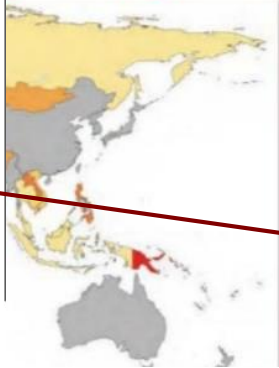
Indicator
Percentage of population below \$1.25 (PPP) per day

Percentage of Population below the Poverty Line, by Country



Names identify topographic elements which localize the map theme

Line, by Country



Names identify topographic elements which localize the map theme



The maps in this poster illustrate geographical patterns of poverty around the world and focus on the city of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Left a sequence of choropleth maps showing percentage of households with an income less than 1/4 of the minimum wage in Brazil (R\$10), at regional and



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

1 NO POVERTY
2 ZERO HUNGER
3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
4 QUALITY EDUCATION
5 GENDER EQUALITY
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION
14 LIFE BELOW WATER
15 LIFE ON LAND
16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Topographic Mapping helps us to gain a better insight into and understanding of the causes of poverty by supporting decision-making by the state (e.g. national surveys) and the empowerment of local people (e.g. community mapping). As a resource for planning, topographic maps can present the landscape as a shared resource for the benefit of all and help to conserve natural and built environments for future generations.

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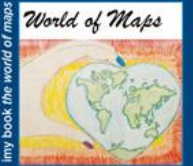
The ICA Commission on Toponymy disseminates scientific knowledge on the processing and use of toponyms within geography and cartography and supports the publication of gazetteers, toponymic data files and toponymic reference systems.

Data and information Source:
Actualis.com
Banco Mundial, 2015
IBGE, Censo 2010
National Geographic
Open Street Map, created by people like you and free to use.

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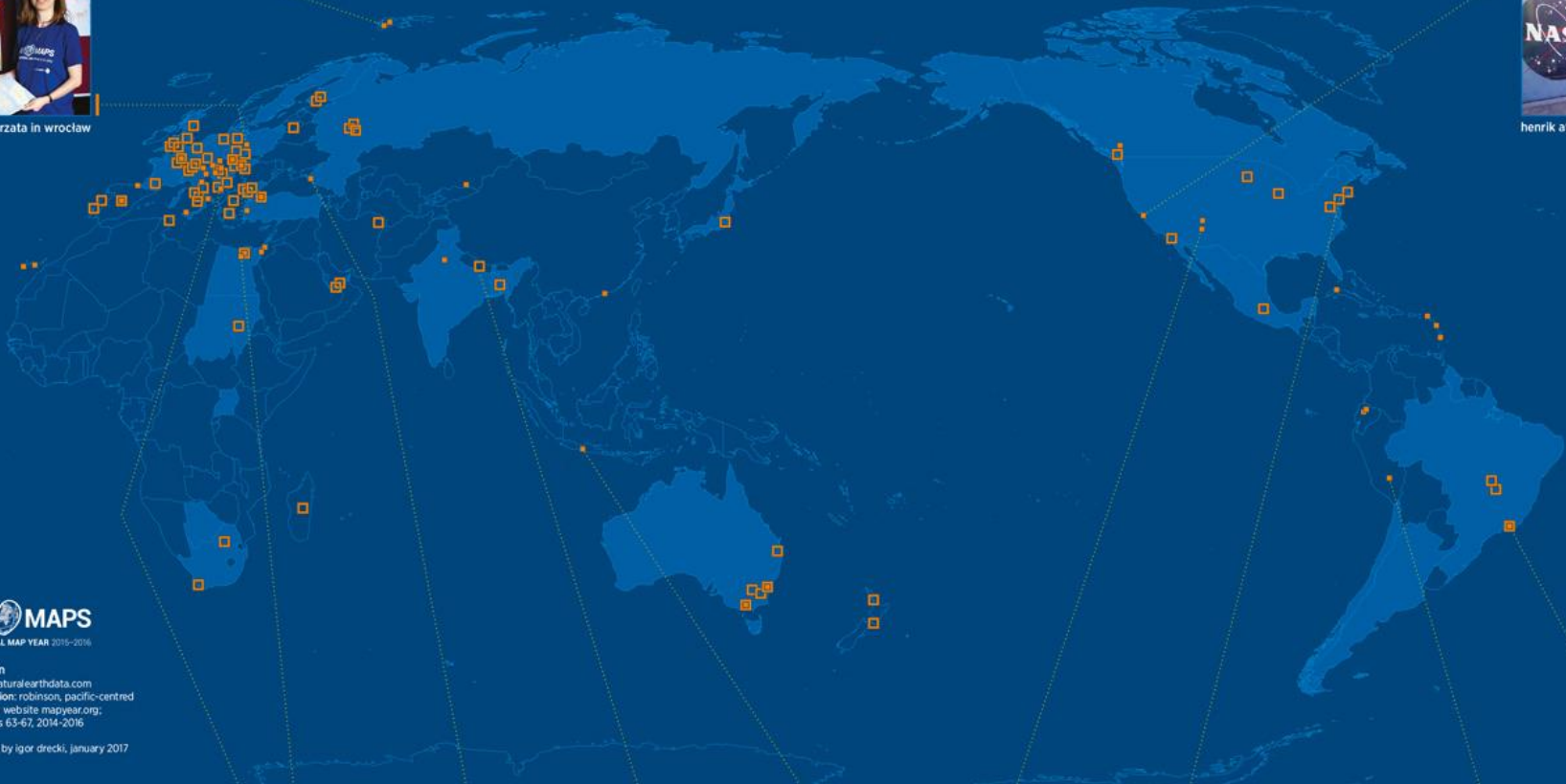


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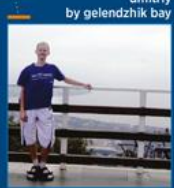
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 map projection: robinson, pacific-centred
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 ica news, nos 63-67, 2014-2016
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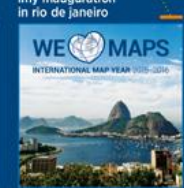
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[The World of Maps](#) is a book produced to accompany the International Map Year. The perspective of the book is to broaden the knowledge of cartography and geographic information among the general public and especially among school children. Basically, we want to spread the love for maps 😊



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The World of Maps includes individual chapters covering a variety of cartographic topics and issues that form a coherent introduction, reference volume and work-book for those who are interested in investigating the nature of contemporary mapping. Please note that chapters may be replaced with new versions when needed.

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