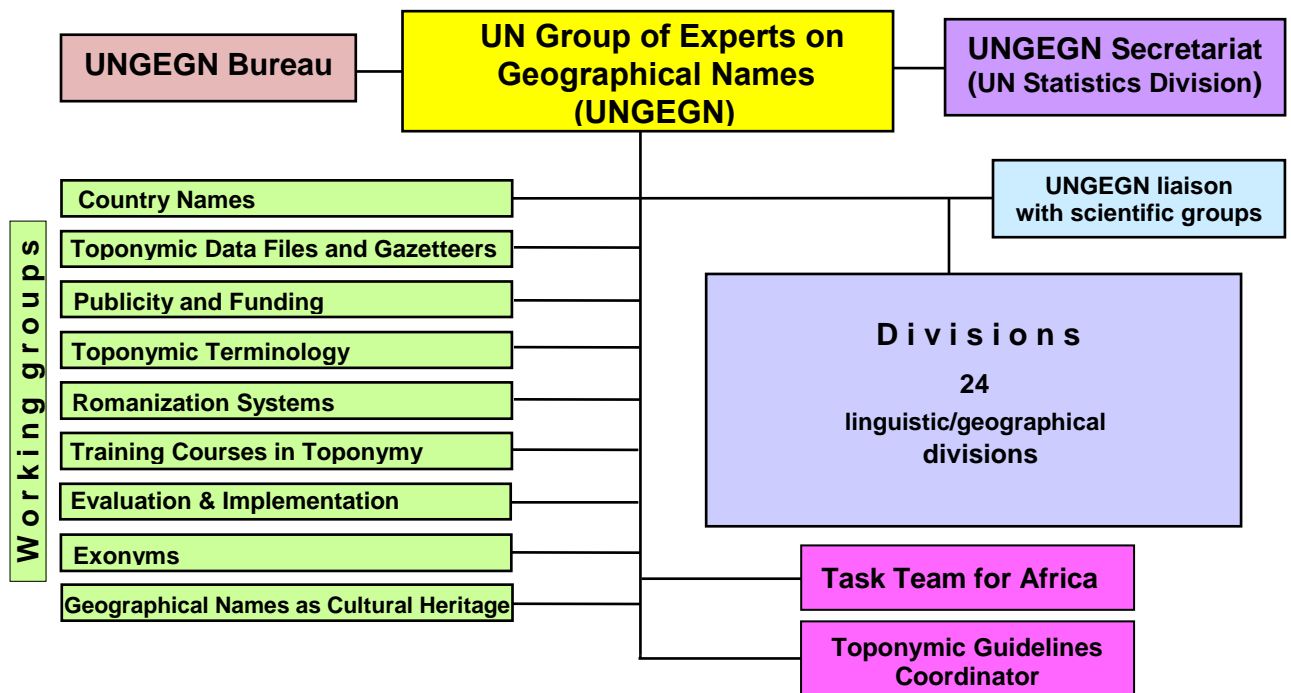


## HOW DOES UNGEGN WORK?

The diagram below summarizes the *modus operandi* of UNGEGN. Supported by a Secretariat provided by the United Nations Statistics Division, and its Bureau (consisting of a Chair, two Vice-Chairs and two Rapporteurs), UNGEGN convenes every two years and in addition works on names standardization through Working Groups and Special task teams, as well as through Divisions, which are groups of countries with common interests based on geography or language. To interact with other scientific organizations, UNGEGN has appointed a number of liaison officers.

Until 2017, the operational structure comprised both Conferences, a more formal mechanism for drafting Resolutions, held every five years, and Sessions, more technical in nature, held every two years. These two functions were amalgamated into UNGEGN plenary sessions held every two years from 2019.



**UNGEGN Divisions:** Africa Central; Africa East; Africa South; Africa West; Arabic; Asia East (other than China); Asia South-East; Asia South-West (other than Arabic); Baltic; Celtic; China; Dutch- and German-speaking; East Central and South-East Europe; Eastern Europe, Northern and Central Asia; East Mediterranean (other than Arabic); French-speaking; India; Latin America; Norden; Pacific South-West; Portuguese-speaking; Romano-Hellenic; United Kingdom; United States/Canada.