

Joint Meeting of

UNGEEN

**Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation
and Working Group on Publicity and Funding**

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Prins Albert Club
NH Brussels Bloom

Brussels, Belgium

Convenors

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Membership

Agenda

Organization of the Meeting

12 October, 15:50-17:45, Prins Albert Club

Agenda items 1-5, 11

Agenda items 6, 7, 8-12 (A review and introduction)

13 October, 09:00-17:00, NH Brussels Bloom (Meeting room 5, floor +1)

Agenda items 6, 7, 8-12

Previous Meetings (Agenda 3)

[Innsbruck, 19-22 April 2017](#) [photo](#)

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7. Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation

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Background

The original Working Group on Evaluation was established to address resolution 4 of the Fifth United Nations Conference in 1987. Reports of the Working Group were presented to UNGEGN at its 14th Session in 1989 (W.P.31), at its 15th Session in 1991 (W.P.55), and its 16th Session in 1992 (W.P.3). The Working Group was then disbanded in favour of a new working group to consider the particularly important aspects of publicity and funding.

However, as the work of evaluation of UNGEGN and the Conferences needs to be considered on a continual basis, the Working Group was re-established during the 20th Session of UNGEGN (2000).

Current work plan

The work plan includes an evaluation of the functioning and efficacy of UNGEGN and the Conferences and the implementation of resolutions; finding ways to involve member states not currently participating in UNGEGN; looking at the needs of developing countries to achieve national standardization of their geographical names; and proposing actions to increase the effectiveness of the UN Conferences, UNGEGN and its Divisions and Working Groups.

The Working Group has maintained the UNCSGN resolutions database since 2009, in which resolutions are searchable by conference, by topic and by key word(s). Currently, [English](#), [French](#) and [Spanish](#) versions are available.

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4. Working Group on Publicity and Funding

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Background

This Working Group was set up following the Sixth UN Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names in 1992. Its aims are to make the activities of UNGE GN more visible and, where appropriate, to seek or help identify funds to support:

- publication and dissemination of material relevant to the advancement of geographical names standardization;
- provision of training for the development and management of geographical names administration;
- establishment of names authorities;
- participation of delegates in UNGE GN events and activities.

Publications

The brochure *Consistent Use of Place Names*, based on text prepared by UNGE GN, was published in English in Australia (1999) and presented to the 20th session of UNGE GN in 2000. Subsequently, the brochure has been published by the United Nations in six languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and is available for downloading as a .pdf file at: http://unstats.un.org/unsd/UNGE GN_RCC/UNGE GN/publications.html.

The text of the brochure may be translated, and the brochure may be reproduced in other languages (but should include a disclaimer stating that the UN is not responsible for the translation). Please contact the UNGE GN Secretariat at E-Mail [UNGE GN Secretariat](#).

The UNGE GN *Manual for the national standardization of geographical names* was published by the United Nations in 2006 (Sales No. E.06.XVII.7). It is organized in two parts, one about organizing a national programme for geographical names standardization and the other providing some selected readings relative to standardization. In 2007, the *Manual* was published in the other five languages of the United Nations.

Publications

UNGEKN Publications

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The UNGEGN *Technical reference manual for the standardization of geographical names* (in English only) was published by the United Nations in 2007 (Sales No. E.07.XVII.5). In three parts, it contains information on Romanization systems, toponymic data transfer standards and formats, and names of countries of the world in abridged form.

The UNGEGN brochure *Geographical names as vital keys for accessing information in our globalized and digital world* was published by the United Nations in 2007 and is available in six languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish). Its target audience is the national mapping, charting and GIS organizations of developing countries that can benefit from standardized geographical names data as a fundamental element of their national data infrastructure.

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A Media Kit has been developed to provide basic information about UNGEGN and useful examples of name changes, spelling difficulties, and confusion, as well as examples of the value of standardized names in humanitarian aid, database searches, etc. The kit, while providing material that can be used throughout the world, will allow individual countries to add their own more specific material of interest to their national media.

Current tasks of the Working Group

Ensuring the maintenance and further development of the UNGEGN web site (<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/>) and the continuation of the UNGEGN Information Bulletin to provide focal points for disseminating news, information, publications and a network of web links.

Determining needs and possible sources of funding in support of UNGEGN, as noted under Background.

Recent working group meetings

Joint meetings have been held with the Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation, most recently in Seoul, 2013 and 2011; in Vancouver, 2010; at the 25th Session of UNGEGN in Nairobi, 2009; in San Francisco, 2008; at the Ninth Conference in New York, 2007; in Honolulu, 2007; at the 23rd Session of UNGEGN in Vienna, 2006; and in Seoul in 2005 and 2003.

Reports of the Working Group

[UNGEKN Information Bulletin 46, March 2014](#)

Restructuring Operational Modalities (Agenda 5)

[Resolution \(10 November 2017\)](#)

[Rules of Procedure \(26 July 2018\)](#)

Implementation of Resolutions (Agenda 6.d)

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Tenth UNCSGN, New York, 2012	12 resolutions
Ninth UNCSGN, New York, 2007	14 resolutions
Eighth UNCSGN, Berlin, 2002	21 resolutions
Seventh UNCSGN, New York, 1998	17 resolutions
Sixth UNCSGN, New York, 1992	14 resolutions
Fifth UNCSGN, Montreal, 1987	26 resolutions
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Second UNCSGN, London, 1972	42 resolutions
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X/1	<p data-bbox="200 325 1928 354">Eleventh United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names and twenty-eighth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names</p> <p data-bbox="200 361 1928 425">The Conference, Noting the achievements and the progress made in the work of standardization of geographical names at the national and international levels, and noting the essential role played by the present Conference and by the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, [more]</p> <p data-bbox="200 432 1159 454">UN CONFERENCES ON THE STANDARDIZATION OF GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES / UNITED NATIONS GROUP OF EXPERTS ON GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES</p>
X/2	<p data-bbox="200 475 1928 504">Organization of the twenty-eighth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names on the Asian Continent</p> <p data-bbox="200 511 1928 575">The Conference, Noting that thus far the sessions of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names have been held in Europe, North America and Africa, Noting also the need for greater progress for many Asian countries in the field of geographical names, [more]</p> <p data-bbox="200 582 643 604">UNITED NATIONS GROUP OF EXPERTS ON GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES</p>
X/3	<p data-bbox="200 625 1928 654">Criteria for establishing and evaluating the nature of geographical names as cultural heritage</p> <p data-bbox="200 661 1928 725">The Conference, Noting the existence of a number of resolutions that address toponymy as part of a nation's cultural heritage and the necessity to take into account the cultural heritage, Recalling recommendation C of its resolution I/4 on the principle of geographical names, [more]</p> <p data-bbox="200 732 405 753">NATIONAL STANDARDIZATION</p>
X/4	<p data-bbox="200 775 1928 803">Discouraging the commercialization of geographical names</p> <p data-bbox="200 811 1928 875">The Conference, Recognizing that the use of geographical names that seek a commercial purpose and the buying and selling of geographical names, especially in urban areas, Considering that these practices transform toponyms into trademarks, [more]</p> <p data-bbox="200 882 405 903">NATIONAL STANDARDIZATION</p>
X/5	<p data-bbox="200 925 1928 953">Split of the Asia South-East and Pacific South-West Division into the Asia South-East Division and the Pacific South-West Division</p> <p data-bbox="200 961 1928 1025">The Conference, Considering that the Asia South-East and Pacific South-West Division is, with twenty-two members, the largest Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, and noting that the high number of members in the Division is a hindrance to its work, [more]</p> <p data-bbox="200 1032 643 1053">UNITED NATIONS GROUP OF EXPERTS ON GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES</p>
X/6	<p data-bbox="200 1075 1928 1103">Romanization of Belarusian geographical names</p> <p data-bbox="200 1110 1928 1168">The Conference, Noting that in Belarus a system of romanization for Belarusian geographical names was adopted in 2000 and was revised in 2007, and noting that the system is linguistically sound and that it has been implemented in maps and atlases, [more]</p>

Documentation (Agenda 6.g)

[Documentation for the Conference \(11th, 2017\)](#)

[Guidelines \(or Template\) for National/Division reports](#)

Translation of documents (Secretariat's proposal vs. Rule 42)

- Rules of procedure
- Agenda for the 1st UNGEGN Session
- Documentation for the Session
- Organization of work
- Provisional Agenda for the 2nd UNGEGN Session
- Report of the 1st Session

Cooperation with UN-GGIM (Agenda 6.h)

Pier-Giorgio & Catherine's summary of what has been progressed

[Working Paper submitted to the 8th UN-GGIM meeting](#)

Regional cooperation, e.g., UNECA