Joint Meeting of
UNGE GN
Working Group on Evaluation and Implementation and Working Group on Publicity and Funding

12-13 October 2018
Prins Albert Club
NH Brussels Bloom

Brussels, Belgium
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Denmark/Norway

Rapporteur

Gerhard Rampl
Austria

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

New York, 14 August 2017
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 UNCSDN 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.

Report to the 11th Conference
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 UNGEGN 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 UNGEGN events and activities.

**Publications**

The brochure *Consistent Use of Place Names*, based on text prepared by UNGEGN, was published in English in Australia (1999) and presented to the 20th session of UNGEGN 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/unso/UNGEGN_RCC/UNGEGN/publications.html](http://unstats.un.org/unso/UNGEGN_RCC/UNGEGN/publications.html).

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The UNGEGN *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.
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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 date 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


Reports of the Working Group

- UNGEGN 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)

Working papers referring to resolutions

Web-based resolutions database
Conference General

- Rules of Procedure
- Organizational chart
  - English
  - French

List of reports of all Conferences (1967 - 2017)

List of documents of all Conferences
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UNCSGN Resolutions 1967 - 2012
  - Arabic (1967 - 2012)
  - English (1967 - 2017)
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  - Database search - resolutions in English
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| X2     | **Organization of the twenty-eighth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names on the Asian Continent** |
|        | 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 Asia, Noting also the need for greater progress for many Asian countries in... [more] |

| X3     | **Criteria for establishing and evaluating the nature of geographical names as cultural heritage** |
|        | 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 protect it, Recalling recommendation C of its resolution I/4 on the principles of toponymy, [more] |

| X4     | **Discouraging the commercialization of geographical names** |
|        | The Conference, Recognizing that the use of geographical names that seek a commercial purpose and the buying and selling of geographical names... [more] |

| X5     | **Split of the Asia South-East and Pacific South-West Division into the Asia South-East Division and the Pacific South-West Division** |
|        | 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... [more] |

| X6     | **Romanization of Belarusian geographical names** |
|        | The Conference, Noting that in Belarus a system of romanization for Belarusian geographical names was adopted in 2000 and was revised in 2007, this system is linguistically sound and that it has been implemented in maps... [more] |
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 summited to the 8th UN-GGIM meeting

Regional cooperation, e.g., UNECA