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**Reports: Governments on the situation in their countries
and on the progress made in the standardization of
geographical names****Report of Slovakia****Summary****

The Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre Authority of the Slovak Republic has been ensuring the activities related to the standardization of geographical names inside and outside the territory of Slovakia.

The database of standardized geographical names from the territory of Slovakia was developed between 1995 and 2003. Since then, the updating of the database has been continuous. Since 2015, the content of the database has been gradually expanded through the addition of names from cadastral and forest maps and since 2018 through another source of names relating to watercourses managed by various administrators. Each year, specific districts of the territory of Slovakia are chosen to be surveyed and added to the database. Documentation on activities and selected lists of geographical names are published and updated.¹

The authority allows the free downloading of data from the database in the following formats: Esri shapefile, Esri Microsoft database, Esri geodatabase and comma-separated values.² An interactive web map application of spatial data and data

* [GEGN.2/2021/1](https://www.un.org/gegn/2021/1/).

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¹ See www.skgeodesy.sk/sk/ugkk/geodezia-kartografia/standardizacia-geografickeho-nazvoslovia/.

² For more details, see www.geoportal.sk/en/zbis-smd/download-section/.



from the database is also available,³ as is an interactive web map application of exonyms.⁴

International meetings

- Twenty-second session of the East Central and South-East Europe Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, Bratislava, 13 February 2019
 - Technical meeting of Czech, Slovak and Polish national mapping and cadastral authorities representatives on harmonization, Warsaw, 27 and 28 May 2019
 - Technical meeting of Czech, Slovak and Polish national mapping and cadastral authorities representatives on the harmonization of topographic data in the national border area, Prague, 7 and 8 November 2019
 - 2019 session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, New York, 29 April–3 May 2019
 - Twenty-third session of the East Central and South-East Europe Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, New York, 1 May 2019
 - 147th session of the Permanent Standing Committee on Geographical Names (StAGN), Frankfurt, Germany, 2 and 3 March 2020
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³ See <https://zbgis.skgeodesy.sk/mkzbgis/en/zakladna-mapa?bm=zbgis&z=8&c=19.255902,48.659730&sc=n>.

⁴ See <https://zbgis.skgeodesy.sk/mkzbgis/en/geograficke-nazvy?bm=worldOceanBase&z=8&c=19.255902,48.659730&sc=n>.