

UNITED NATIONS GROUP OF EXPERTS ON **GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES**

Geographical Names Supporting Sustainable Development and Management of the Pandemic

2021 Session UNGEGN | 3 - 7 May 2021 | @UNSD_GEGN #2021UNGEGN



A Side Event to the 2021 UNGEGN Session on

Preparations for the 2021 Session Modalities and Logistics

March 25, 2021





Items to be addressed today

- 1. UNGEGN 2021 / 2nd Session date and time
- 2. Format of the session
- 3. Registration
- 4. Documentation
- 5. Written Statements
- 6. Important Dates



UNGEGN 2021 / 2nd Session date and times

- **DATE:** Monday 3 to Friday 7 May 2021
- **TIMES:** morning 9:00 -11 and afternoon 15:00 – 17:00 (EDT/New York Time) There will be 10 informal meetings of the 2021 session and each virtual meeting will be of two hours.
- **MODE:** On a virtual platform, to be decided. Other UN meetings have used the Interprefy platform





Format of the session

- Virtual
- Reduced meeting times
- Remote simultaneous interpretation in six official languages
- The Secretariat will reach out to delegations for training (onboarding) sessions on using the virtual platform with interpretation

Proposed Modality – see paper General information (un.org)

- 1. Submission of written statements
- 2. Introduction of papers for discussion by pre-identified representatives
- 3. Interventions from delegations who informed the Secretariat in advance of the meeting of their intention to speak under that agenda item.
- 4. Delivery of the summary of the discussion.





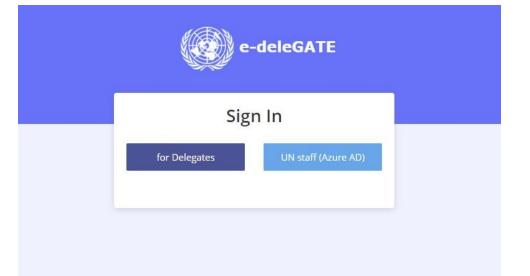




Registration procedure remains the same as for previous UNGEGN sessions.

Member State representatives should contact their Ministries of Foreign Affairs and or their Missions to New York. They will register your delegation via e-delegate.

Observers should submit your interest to participate and contact details to the UNGEGN Secretariat before **9**th **April 2021**.



Failure to register means no connection to the virtual platform for the 2021 UNGEGN session



Documentation

- You have submitted a total of 214 documents.
 - 122 full reports and
 - **90 summaries**. These have been translated in all UN languages
- Both summaries and full reports are now being uploaded to the 2021 session webpages
- 49 full reports have been identified for discussion
- The unedited versions of the Organization of work and Annotated provisional agenda are now available on the website.

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opening of which will be announced in the	heir composition of delegation via the e-registration page on the e-deleGATE portal, the	 Meetings Mandate Resolutions Divisions Working Groups Bureau and Convenors Liaison Officers Resources 		
List of documents by agenda item	Documents	EventsLinks		
Agenda item 2	 Provisional agenda GEGN.2/2021/1, Submitted by UNGEGN Secretariat 	Ontact		
🖉 Agenda item 3	Arabic Chinese English French Russian Spanish	Draft Strategic Framework Participate in the exercise and access		
Agenda item 4(a)	Annotated Provisional Agenda - advance unedited version	documents here		
Agenda item 4(b)	 GEGN.2/2021/1/Rev.1 English 	To receive the UNGEGN bulletin, click to		
Agenda item 4(c) & 4(d)	Litgiss	complete the form		
Agenda item 5(a)	 Organization of work - advance unedited version GEGN 2/2021/3 	Tweets by QUNSD GEGN (1)		
Agenda item 5(b)	English			
Agenda item 6(a)	Documentation for the session	UNGEGN Retweeted		
Agenda item 6(b)	GEGN.2/2021/INF/1 Arabic Chinese English French Russian Spanish			
Agenda item 7		Greg Scott of the @UNGGIM Secretariat kicking off the second of our virtual High-		
Agenda item 8	Documentation - Sample final paragraphs	Level Forum Events, today, focusing on the		
Agenda item 9	Summary template	Integrated Geospatial Information Framework, detailing how the IGIF has received wide global consultation to support		

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Written Statements

Delegates are provided the opportunity to contribute to the discussions through written statements. These statements constitute the interventions delegations would normally make from the floor during the session. Therefore, delegations are encouraged to read the papers for agenda items 3 to 15 and submit your corresponding written statements.

- 1. A Template (Word document) for preparing written statements will be available for downloading
- 2. Completed statements are to be emailed to: geoinfo_unsd@un.org
- 3. Due to the potential volume of submissions in a condensed period, we encourage written statements to be brief, provided in English if possible, focused on the main discussion items for the Group of Experts, and **submitted to the Secretariat by 23 April.**
- 4. All submitted statements will be uploaded in pdf format and available from the related agenda item on the Statement tab/page.



Written Statements contd.

Written statements may be submitted by the following:

- Member States: by the Head of Delegation, Representative or Lead Member or Permanent Missions to the UN in NY;
- UNGEGN Geographical and Linguistic Divisions: by the Chair/President; and
- Observers: by the designated Lead Person of the entity

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Template for written statements





Important dates to note

Date	Event
Friday 9 April	Last day for Observers to register for the 2021 Session
Wednesday 14 April	Secretariat begins to accept written statements
Thursday 15 April	UNGEGN global conversation – virtual event
Friday 23 April	Last day to submit written statements
Tuesday 27 April	Newcomers orientation session

Please see the Frequently asked Questions document for additional information

FAQ-22 March 2021.DGACM.IS.pdf (un.org)





Open Discussion

Participants are invited to unmute their microphones and to ask questions on preparations for the 2021 UNGENG Session.





Thank you for joining us for this UNGEGN Side event



Join us on Thursday 15 April 2021 at 8:00 am for the UNGEGN Global Conversation

You will learn more about arrangements for the 2021 Session

UNGEGN website: https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/2nd session 2021/ UNGEGN email: geoinfo_unsd@un.org

