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## **National report of Hungary for the period 2019–2021**

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<b>National report</b>		
<b>A</b>	<p><b>Summary</b>  <i>A short summary, which describes main points of the national report. This part is also usually sent in a separate document before the national report.</i></p>	<p>The institutional framework of the work of the Hungarian Committee on Geographical Names (hereinafter HCGN) has remarkably changed. This did not have an effect either on the public/societal functions or the continuity of operation of the Committee. Due to the pandemic situation, certain activities (fieldwork, conference participation etc.) were reduced after March 2020. Committee meetings and sessions were conducted online.</p>
<b>B</b>	<p><b>Member state report on the situation in their country</b>  <i>The progress made in the standardization of geographical names since the last UNGEGN session (news in the field of geonames in the country, progress of ongoing projects, finished projects, issues and use cases for inspiration for other countries, changes in database of geonames).</i></p>	<p>The HCGN has held 7 sessions since the 1<sup>st</sup> session of UNGEGN, has discussed 73 items, and has taken 61 decisions.</p> <p>Name change in primary administrative division: Csongrád-Csanád megye [Csongrád-Csanád county] since June 2020 (formerly Csongrád megye)</p> <p>National Geoinformatic Basic Map Project (in progress), in the frame of this, major improvements and amendments in the Database Gazetteer of Hungary.</p>
<b>C</b>	<p><b>National and international meetings, conferences, symposiums, publicity and publications</b>  <i>- date of the meeting  - name of the meeting  - place of the meeting  - main theme  - useful information from the meeting  - in case of publications, guidelines: how often are they issued, what is the content of these publications  - publicity: articles in international professional magazines, publication of own professional magazines.</i></p>	<p>The latest data of settlements and their parts can be found on the website of Hungarian Central Statistical Office:  <a href="http://www.ksh.hu/apps/hntr.egyeb?p_lang=EN&amp;p_sablon=LETOLTES">http://www.ksh.hu/apps/hntr.egyeb?p_lang=EN&amp;p_sablon=LETOLTES</a></p> <p><u>National atlas of Hungary: English edition of volume “Natural environment” (in this volume, latest division of natural landscapes with names)</u></p> <p><u>Conferences, meetings: activity only in participation</u></p>

<b>D</b>	<b>Measures taken and proposed to implement United Nations resolutions on the standardization of geographical names, including the economic and social benefits</b> <i>Information, recommendations, guidelines in legislative, control management.</i>	without changes
<b>E</b>	<b>National standardization</b>	
<i>Ea</i>	<i>Field collection of names</i>	19 settlements on the territory of Fejér, Pest and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg counties
<i>Eb</i>	<i>Office treatment of names</i>	without changes
<i>Ec</i>	<i>Treatment of names in multilingual areas</i>	Contacts taken to central minority organisations in order to develop the quantity and quality of minority names on maps, and in administration
<i>Ed</i>	<i>Administrative structure of national names authorities, legislation, policies and procedures</i>	Legal basis of work of the Hungarian Committee on Geographical Names (HCGN): Gov. Decree No. 303/2007. (XI. 14.), only the names of some deputing organisations have changed. Supervisory governmental authority: Prime Minister's Office since the middle of 2019. Information: <a href="https://kormany.hu/miniszterelnokseg/foldrajzinev-bizottsag">https://kormany.hu/miniszterelnokseg/foldrajzinev-bizottsag</a> . The public authority for land surveying and remote sensing in Hungary – which is responsible for Database Gazetteer of Hungary – is Lechner Tudásközpont Nonprofit Kft. [Lechner Knowledge Centre Non-Profit Ltd.] since March of 2019.
<i>Ee</i>	<i>Toponymic guidelines for map editors and other editors</i>	without changes
<b>F.</b>	<b>Geographical names as culture, heritage and identity</b> <i>Including indigenous, minority and regional language names.</i>	Specific research in the use of geographical names in Roma dialects.
<b>G.</b>	<b>Exonyms</b> <i>New exonyms, extinct exonyms, projects regarding exonyms.</i>	Recommendations for Hungarian name use forms of administrative units of two neighboring countries. Ukrainian cities and towns: recommendations for the use of traditional Hungarian forms (eg. Kijev), new exonyms, and transcribed forms.
<b>H.</b>	<b>Toponymic data files and gazetteers</b>	
<i>Ha</i>	<i>Content requirements and standards</i>	without changes
<i>Hb</i>	<i>Data management and interoperability</i>	

<b>Hc</b>	<b>Data services, applications and products</b> <i>Including gazetteers and web services.</i>	
<b>I</b>	<b>Terminology in the standardization of geographical names</b> <i>New or changed definitions and terms.</i>	without changes
<b>J</b>	<b>Writing systems and pronunciation</b>	
<b>Ja</b>	<b>Romanization</b>	without changes the phonetic transcription for general use, and international romanization systems for specific use have been recommended.
<b>Jb</b>	<b>Conversion into non-Roman writing systems</b>	
<b>Jc</b>	<b>Writing of names in unwritten languages</b>	
<b>Jd</b>	<b>Pronunciation</b>	
<b>K</b>	<b>Country names</b> <i>New or changed country names from the UNGEGN List of Country Names that were imported to the list of geonames in this country (in language of this country).</i>	Four changes in formal names: <i>Guyanai Szövetkezeti Köztársaság ~ Co-operative Republic of Guyana</i> <i>Líbiai Állam ~ State of Libya</i> <i>Mianmari Szövetségi Köztársaság ~ Republic of the Union of Myanmar</i> <i>Szomáli Szövetségi Köztársaság ~ Federal Republic of Somalia</i>  Traditional Hungarian short name „Zöld-foki-szigetek“ for Cabo Verde confirmed.
<b>L</b>	<b>Toponymic education</b> <i>Toponymical courses, works in organisation, issues and solution of problems.</i>	New toponymic program in the Department of Geoinformatics of Óbuda University.
<b>M</b>	<b>Features beyond a single sovereignty and international cooperation</b>	
<b>Ma</b>	<b>Features common to two or more nations</b>	
<b>Mb</b>	<b>Bilateral and multilateral agreements</b>	
<b>Mc</b>	<b>Coastal seas</b>	
<b>Md</b>	<b>Geonames of international waters and marine features in international waters</b>	without changes
<b>Me</b>	<b>Geonames in Antarctica</b>	
<b>Mf</b>	<b>International cooperation</b> <i>Cooperation with institutions, countries – specific project.</i>	

<b>N.</b>	<b>Arrangements for the UNGEGN</b> <i>Creating national and other reports, creating articles for Bulletin, communication, cooperation and fulfilment of tasks from the UNGEGN.</i>	
<b>O</b>	<b>Supporting sustainable development</b> <i>Activities related to geonames that support sustainable development.</i>	
<b>P</b>	<b>Other</b> <i>If the country has worked on something special, that is not mentioned in this model.</i>	