



STATEMENT/INTERVENTION

Item Number: 6(a)

***Item Name: National and international standardization of geographical names
6 (a). Names collection, office treatment, national authorities, features beyond a single sovereignty
and international cooperation***

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GERMANY

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GERMANY welcomes and recognizes the efforts undertaken by NORWAY as described in CRP.12, facilitating the digital transformation of archives and collections as well as the querying and viewing of geographical and non-geographical information through a national, web-semantic portal using Linked Data methods and technologies.

GERMANY recognizes the power of such web-semantic structures towards an efficient and correct re-use of data and supports the linkage of standardized geographical names with historical and language data for an inter-organisational data sharing and the development of context-driven applications that make use of data from various sources.

GERMANY encourages and invites NORWAY to share its findings on the development of the new National Geographical Names Archive Service with the Working Group on Geographical Names Data Management (formerly known as Working Group on Toponymic Data Files and Gazetteers) recalling decision 1/2019/13 of the Group of Experts at its first session in 2019 on the use of Linked Data methods and technologies for the geographical names data provision and referring to Linked Data considerations for geographical names standardisation as described in CRP.6 submitted by AUSTRALIA.

Thank you.

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