



STATEMENT/INTERVENTION

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REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

Statement/intervention:

THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA welcomes and recognizes the efforts undertaken by Norway on facilitating historical and linguistic documentation of geographical names. For the purposes of documentation, it is essential to standardize the pronunciation of geographical names in specific languages so that the existence of a phonological symbol is agreed upon so that the pronunciation matches the correct pronunciation, especially for Eastern European countries.

THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA recognizes and supports the development of web-semantics technologies for documentation and queries by different users for semantic search and knowledge discovery. We also developed geographical names standardization management system called SINAR (*Sistem Informasi Nama Rupabumi/ Geographical Names Information System*), formerly SAKTI (*Sistem Akuisisi data Toponim Indonesia/ Toponym Data Acquisition System*). SINAR is confirmed by the Government Regulation Number 2 of 2021 on Standardization of Geographical Names as the primary system for geographical names standardization management in Indonesia. This regulation also endorses the active involvement of local governments. It also encourages citizen participation by giving access to all entities to contribute, collaborate and engage in geographical name data acquisition, verification and publication. SINAR also preserves the original pronunciation from the corresponding native using the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) writing system (details explanations of SINAR development are described in GEGN.2/2021/34/CRP.34).

Thank You.

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