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**Toponymic education**

### **Transfer of technical expertise and advice to the Dominican Republic and Saint Lucia on interoperability, standardization of geographical names and gazetteer management**

#### **Summary\*\***

As part of the international cooperation promoted by the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation through the embassies of Mexico, the Dominican Republic and Saint Lucia, the National Institute of Statistics and Geography of Mexico (INEGI) is dealing with strategy 1 (technical expertise) of the strategic plan and programme of work, 2021–2029, of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

In April 2022, the provision of technical advice by videoconference (owing to the health crisis caused by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic) was concluded, under the project entitled “Establishing and strengthening capacity at the ‘José Joaquín Hungría Morell’ National Geographic Institute in methodological development for the creation of a gazetteer of georeferenced geographical names of the Dominican Republic”.

INEGI is currently participating with Saint Lucia in the project entitled “Capacity-building for the design and updating of coastal geographical information in environmental planning and the construction of resilient beaches”. In that context, workshops have been provided on the generation of digital elevation models, coastline mapping and the standardization of continental and insular geographical names and geographical names of undersea features.

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\* [GEGN.2/2023/1](#).

\*\* The full report was prepared by Francisco Javier Medina Parra and Mario Ángel Jahuey Amaro. It will be available under document symbol GEGN.2/2023/21/CRP.21, in the language of submission only, at [https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/3rd\\_session\\_2023/](https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/3rd_session_2023/).

