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**Reports: Governments on the situation in their countries
and on the progress made in the standardization of
geographical names****Report of the Netherlands****Summary****

The report provides information on the developments, actions and achievements in the Netherlands with regard to geographical names standardization during the period 2021–2023.

Some developments of importance are:

- Full update of the Dutch exonyms list and exonyms website of the Dutch Language Union
- Creation of a new Commission on Geographical Names of the Dutch Language Union responsible for the standardization of exonyms and for consultancy on geographical names within the Dutch language area (Netherlands, Flanders, Suriname and the Dutch Caribbean)
- Creation of the Kadaster knowledge graph, a graph database that supports integrated analysis of several key linked open data sets in the Netherlands
- Publication and further development of Transcriptor, a web application for the romanization of personal and geographical names
- Increasing use of Frisian place names in government registrations and on maps

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