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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 Latvia****Summary****

The national report covers the two-year intersessional period, 2021–2022 of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

The full report provides information on the situation (including developments, processes and events) in Latvia with respect to the standardization of geographical names in following areas:

- International activities
- National geographical names authorities
- Legislative basis
- Geographical names collection (except developments in crowdsourcing carried out by Latvian Language Institute, University of Latvia)
- Databases/registers (Place Names Database of Latvia, National Address Register, Latvian Place Names Card Index, etc.)
- Promotion of Indigenous Livonian place names
- Consulting on toponymy
- Publications and educational events
- Treatment of names on maps and map browsers
- Exonyms and country names

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The report includes links to web sources (including legislative acts) on Latvian geographical names and the contact information of the relevant institutions.
