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Reports: divisions of the Group of Experts**Report of the Portuguese-speaking Division****Summary****

Created in 2007, the Portuguese-speaking Division of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names was practically inactive until July 2020, when it was reactivated at the initiative of Brazil and Mozambique. Since then, it has managed to bring together five of the nine Portuguese-speaking countries, hold quarterly online meetings, publish the Division's website and develop rules of procedure and a workplan that primarily aims at exchanging information, training and raising the awareness of its member countries in relation to the subject of geographical names. The Division has also provided mutual support among its member countries for the national standardization of geographical names.

The full report will further describe the Division's workplan and present an overview of the website, as well as discuss its greatest challenges and the ideas the Division intends to put into practice to address them.

* [GEGN.2/2023/1](https://unstats.un.org/unsd/gegn/sessions/3rd_session_2023/).

** The full report was prepared by Ana Cristina Resende (Brazil). The report will be available at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/gegn/sessions/3rd_session_2023/, in the language of submission only, as document GEGN.2/2023/9/CRP.9.

