TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION AND STANDARDS FOR GEOGRAPHIC NAMES DATA MANAGEMENT

GREECE

NATIONAL GAZETTEER OF GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES OF GREECE
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Gazetteers - Toponymic data files

• Collection and registration by the two National Cartographic Agencies, namely the Hellenic Military Geographic Service (HMGS, 88,000 entries) and the Hellenic Navy Hydrographic Service (HNHS, 10,000 entries):
  ✓ Proper depiction of the features and their names on maps and charts
  ✓ Development of toponymic data files
  ✓ Publication of relevant gazetteers

• Revision and combination into a single dataset for the compilation of the National Gazetteer of Geographical Names of Greece.

• Standardized terms and abbreviations (~100) are used to depict in detail a large number of geographical features.
Undersea features

• Compilation by HNHS data holdings and data contributions from the Hellenic Centre for Marine Research (HCMR) and the Hellenic Geological & Mining Research Authority within areas over which Greece exercises sovereignty or sovereign rights and jurisdiction.

• All presented undersea features names are well documented through marine surveys, the available literature and/or archival data.

• Standardized terms and abbreviations (~20) are used to depict in detail the undersea features.
Name Transliteration - Transcription

- The task to collect, standardize and romanize geographical names in Greek, is done according to the national Standard 743 of the Hellenic Standardization Organization (ELOT), which is based on the International Standard 843 of the International Organization for Standardization.
National Gazetteer of Geographical Names of Greece

• Single dataset based on the Geographical Dictionary of Toponyms of the Hellenic Military Geographic Service (HMGS) and the Gazetteer of maritime geographical names of the Hellenic Navy Hydrographic Service (HNHS).

• The National Gazetteer contains geographical names within areas over which Greece exercises sovereignty or sovereign rights and jurisdiction (about 90,700 entries – both land and maritime, including undersea features), in Greek and Latin script, together with other information about each name, specifically:
  ✓ Abbreviation of Category of geographical name
  ✓ Name of geographical name in Greek
  ✓ Romanized geographical name
  ✓ Name of geographical name in Latin script
  ✓ Secondary name (if any, in Greek and Latin script)
  ✓ Historical name (if available, in Greek and Latin script)
  ✓ Geographic location of entry in geographic coordinates
    (the approximate Geographical Longitude Latitude)

• The National Gazetteer will be updated regularly.