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Report of Czechia

Summary**

Czechia has continued to standardize names within and outside its territory. Standardized names, including names of countries, are maintained and made available on the State Administration of Land Surveying and Cadastre website (www.cuzk.cz). The names have been updated since 2007 with an array of attributes in the national database of geographical names, which contains about 300,000 entries. All terminological data are gradually being centralized in one office. Non-standardized names (official names, especially those of settlements) are recorded in the national database. Maps and visualizations are available online (see https://geoportal.cuzk.cz).

Attention is drawn to the glossary of terms for the standardization of geographical names, published in 2019.¹

A project on names of the world is available online (see http://jmenasveta.cuzk.cz). The Czech Commission on Geographical Names has issued a new edition of the list of Czech exonyms, historical geographical names and names of States and their territorial parts, which is published as an open application.

In terms of international cooperation, the twenty-second and twenty-third meetings of the East Central and South-East Europe Division have been held in Bratislava and New York, respectively. Other planned events were not held owing to the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

¹ See https://cuzk.cz/O-resortu/Poradci-a-poradni-organy/Nazvoslovna-komise-CUZK/ Nazvoslovna-komise-CUZK-(1)/Dalsi-publikace-o-nazvoslovi/Slovnik-toponymicketerminologie 2013.aspx.





^{*} GEGN.2/2021/1.

^{**} The full report was prepared by the Secretary of the Czech Commision on Geographical Names, Irena Švehlová. It will be available under document symbol GEGN.2/2021/64/CRP.64, in the language of submission only, at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/2nd session 2021/.