



Questionnaire for UNGEGN & UN-GGIM Member States

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No.	Questions	Mandatory?	Field Type
	General Information		
1	Please enter your name	Yes	Short-text
2	Which country do you represent?	Yes	Short-text
3	Which organization/institution do you represent?	Yes	Short-text
4	Please provide your email address Description: Emails will be used solely for follow-up questions regarding submitted responses and for further correspondence.	Yes	Short-text
5	Do you answer this questionnaire on behalf of? a. National Names Authority (NNA) b. National Mapping Agency (NMA) c. Both d. Other Description: If your country does not have a NNA or NMA, or if you do not represent either of them, please clarify your focus. For example, specify whether you are involved in mapping activities or naming activities. If answer a, proceed to No. 6 If answer b, proceed to No. 7 If answer c, proceed to No. 8 If answer d, proceed to No. 15	Yes	Single answer
6	If answer 5a: What is the structure of the National Names Authority (NNA)? a. Central naming office b. National names committee (board, council, commission, etc.) c. Decentralized naming authority d. Other (fill in the explanation) Description: - Central names office: The authority is solely vested in an existing government office. - National names committee: A geographical names committee that includes sufficient staff support, comprising representatives from various key government offices and possibly non-governmental experts. - Decentralized names authority: A structure to establish standardization and delegates naming authority to the major civil or administrative divisions within the country. proceed to 10	Yes	Single answer

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7	<p>If answer 5b: What is the structure of the National Mapping Agency (NMA)? a. Central mapping office b. National mapping committee (board, council, commission, etc.) c. Decentralized mapping authority d. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>Description: - Central mapping office: The authority is solely vested in an existing government office. - National mapping committee: A mapping committee that includes sufficient staff support, comprising representatives from various key government offices and possibly non-governmental experts. - Decentralized mapping authority: The mapping authority is delegated to the major civil or administrative divisions within the country.</p> <p>proceed to 12</p>	Yes	Single answer
8	<p>If answer 5c: What is the structure of the National Names Authority (NNA)? a. Central naming office b. National names committee (board, council, commission, etc.) c. Decentralized naming authority d. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>Description: - Central names office: The authority is solely vested in an existing government office. - National names committee: A geographical names committee that includes sufficient staff support, comprising representatives from various key government offices and possibly non-governmental experts. - Decentralized names authority: A structure to establish standardization and delegates naming authority to the major civil or administrative divisions within the country.</p> <p>proceed to 9</p>	Yes	Single answer

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9	<p>After answer Question no.8 and 10.a: What is the structure of the National Mapping Agency (NMA)? a. Central mapping office b. National mapping committee (board, council, commission, etc.) c. Decentralized mapping authority d. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>Description: - Central mapping office: The authority is solely vested in an existing government office. - National mapping committee: A mapping committee that includes sufficient staff support, comprising representatives from various key government offices and possibly non-governmental experts. - Decentralized mapping authority: The mapping authority is delegated to the major civil or administrative divisions within the country.</p> <p>proceed to next section (No. 20)</p>	Yes	Single answer
10	<p>After answer Question No 6 Does a National Mapping Agency exist in your country? a. Yes b. No</p> <p>if answer 10.a proceed to No.9 if answer 10.b proceed to No.11</p>	Yes	Single answer
11	<p>If answer 10.b: What organizations produce the mapping product(s) in your country?</p> <p>proceed to next section</p>	Yes	Long-text
12	<p>After answer Question no 7: Does a National Naming Authority exist in your country? a. Yes b. No</p>	Yes	Single answer
13	<p>If Answer 12.a: What is the structure of the National Names Authority (NNA)? a. Central naming office b. National names committee (board, council, commission, etc.) c. Decentralized naming authority d. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>Description: - Central names office: The authority is solely vested in an existing government office. - National names committee: A geographical names committee that includes sufficient staff support, comprising representatives from various key government offices and possibly non-governmental experts. - Decentralized names authority: A structure to establish standardization and delegates naming authority to the major civil or administrative divisions within the country.</p> <p>proceed to next section (No. 19)</p>	Yes	Single answer

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14	<p>If answer 12.b: What organizations undertake the geographic naming activities in your country?</p> <p>proceed to next section (No. 19)</p>	Yes	Long-text
15	<p>If answer 5d: Do you know how the mapping activities conducted in your country?</p> <p>a. Yes b. No</p> <p>If answer a, proceed to No. 16 If answer b, proceed to No. 17</p>	Yes	Single answer
16	<p>If answer 15.a: What organizations produce the mapping product(s) in your country?</p> <p>proceed to the question no.18</p>	Yes	Long-text
17	<p>If answer 15.b or 16 : Do you know how the geographic naming activities conducted in your country?</p> <p>a. Yes b. No</p> <p>If answer a, proceed to No. 18 If answer b, proceed to Submit Response</p>	Yes	Single answer
18	<p>If answer 18.a: What organizations undertake the geographic naming activities in your country?</p> <p>proceed to next section (No. 19)</p>	Yes	Long-text
Governance and Institutions			
19	<p>At what level is the relationship between the NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographic naming activities?</p> <p>a. Technical b. Managerial c. Executive d. Political e. No relationship f. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>Definitions: - Technical: Collaboration without any legal framework. - Managerial: Inter-departmental collaboration within the institution. - Executive: Collaboration among different institutions. - Political: National-level collaboration based on legal arrangements. - Other: Please describe any other form of collaboration in your country.</p> <p>If answer e, proceed to the question No. 65 (Closing)</p>	Yes	Single answer

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20	If answer Question no.19.a-d and f: Describe the roles and responsibilities between NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographic naming activities. (For example: The NNA collects and standardizes geographical names, while the NMA applies them to the national map)	Yes	Long-text
	Policy and Legal		
21	Do you have policies or legislation that directs or supports collaboration between the NMA/mapping activities or NNA/geographic naming activities? a. Yes, directly b. Yes, indirectly c. No If answer 21.a-b, proceed to No. 22 If answer c, proceed to the question No. 25	Yes	Single answer
22	Please describe the policies or legislation that directs or supports the collaboration between NMA/mapping activities or NNA/geographic naming activities	No	Long-text
23	Do the policies or legislation support the availability, accessibility , exchange, application, or management of geographical names or mapping data? a. Yes b. No if answer b, proceed to No. 25	Yes	Long-text
24	If answer 23.a: Please provide more details to your answer.	No	Long-text
25	Are there any Indigenous groups currently residing in your country? a. Yes b. No c. Do not know the answer If answer b-c, proceed to the next section (No. 28)	Yes	Single answer
26	If answer 25.a: Do you have policies or guidelines for engaging with Indigenous groups in mapping or geographic naming activities? a. Yes b. No if answer b, proceed to the next section (No. 28)	Yes	Single answer
27	If answer 26.a Please provide more details to your answer.	No	Long-text
	Financial		
28	What is the primary source of funding for NMA/mapping activities? a. National/Central/Federal government b. Regional/State/Provincial government c. Local government d. Business/ industries e. None f. Prefer not to disclose the information g. Other (list other funding sources)	Yes	Multiple answers

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29	What is the primary source of funding for NNA/geographic naming activities? a. National/Central/Federal government b. Regional/State/Provincial government c. Local government d. Business/ industries e. None f. Prefer not to disclose the information g. Other (list other funding sources)	Yes	Multiple answers
30	How are collaborations between NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographic naming activities funded? a. Both fund their own activities b. Funding comes from the lead mapping or naming agencies c. Funding comes from a mix of various jurisdictions, including National/Central/Federal, Regional/State/Provincial, and Local levels) d. No funds dedicated for collaborations e. No information	Yes	Single answer
31	What financial challenges do you encounter in sustaining collaborative efforts?	No	Long-text
	Data		
32	Describe the process for integrating geographical names data into national mapping products, and vice-versa.	Yes	Long-text
33	How do you ensure data accuracy and consistency across geographical names and mapping datasets?	No	Long-text
34	How do you resolve discrepancies or conflicts in geographical names data and mapping products?	No	Long-text
35	What metadata standards are utilized to ensure data quality and usability in collaborations between the NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographic naming activities?	Yes	Long-text
36	Do you have a legal arrangement or policy to ensure consistency of maps or geographical names data with private mapping platforms? a. Yes b. No If answer b, proceed to the next section	Yes	Single Answer
37	If answer 36.a: Please describe the process for ensuring consistency of map products and geographical names data with private mapping platforms in your country.	No	Long-text
	Innovation		
38	What innovative technologies or methodologies enhance collaboration between mapping and geographical naming activities? (example: the use of API for the integration of geographical names data into mapping products)	No	Long-text
39	Can you provide examples of pilot projects or case studies showcasing innovation in your collaborative efforts?	No	Long-text
40	What role does research and development play in the collaboration between the NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographical naming activities in your country?	No	Long-text

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	Standards		
41	Are national or international standards used in collaborative geographical names and mapping activities? a. Yes b. No If answer b, proceed to No.43	Yes	Single answer
42	If answer 41.a: What national or international standards guide your collaborative geographical names and mapping activities? Proceed to no 44	Yes	Long-text
43	Please explain the challenges due to the lack of standards. Proceed to the next section: Partnerships	Yes	Long-text
44	If answer 42: How do you ensure compliance with these standards? (Example: Giving rewards to the parties that have been implementing the standards)	Yes	Long-text
45	If answer 44: What challenges do you face in implementing and adhering to these standards collaboratively?	Yes	Long-text
	Partnerships		
46	Which group(s) are frequent partners to NMA/mapping activities? a. National level institutions b. Regional/State/Province institutions c. Local governments d. Private industry e. Academia f. Non-profit organizations g. Public h. Other (list other groups) i. No partnership j. Not sure to answer	Yes	Multiple answers
47	Which group(s) are frequent partners to NNA/geographical naming activities? a. National level institutions b. Regional/State/Province institutions c. Local governments d. Private industry e. Academia f. Non-profit organizations g. Public h. Other (list other groups) i. No partnership j. Not sure to answer	Yes	Multiple answers
48	Please list the specific frequent partners (e.g.: Ministry of Home Affairs, Statistical Office, Navy, etc.)	No	Long-text

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49	<p>Are Indigenous groups involved in your mapping efforts?</p> <p>a. Yes b. No c. There are no Indigenous groups</p> <p>if answer a, proceed to No. 50 if answer b, proceed to No. 52 if answer c, proceed to No. 55</p>	Yes	Single answer
50	<p>After answer 49.a: How often do you invite Indigenous groups to participate your mapping activities?</p> <p>a. Annually b. Monthly c. Quarterly d. Incidental only e. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>proceed to no 51</p>	No	Single answer
51	<p>Please describe how you engage or consult with Indigenous groups in mapping activities (Example: the involvement of Indigenous groups in boundary mapping)</p> <p>proceed to no 52</p>	No	Long-text
52	<p>Are Indigenous groups involved in your geographical naming efforts?</p> <p>a. Yes b. No</p> <p>if answer a, proceed to No. 53 if answer b, proceed to No. 55</p>	Yes	Single answer
53	<p>If answer 52.a: How often do you invite Indigenous groups to participate your geographic naming activities?</p> <p>a. Annually b. Monthly c. Quarterly d. Incidental only e. Other (fill in the explanation)</p> <p>proceed to no 54</p>	No	Single answer
54	<p>After answer 54: Please describe how you engage or consult with Indigenous groups in geographical naming activities (Example: the involvement of Indigenous groups in restoring original place names from their native languages)</p> <p>proceed to no 55</p>	No	Long-text

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55	What approach(es) do NMA/mapping activities or NNA/geographic naming activities use to involve stakeholders? a. Academic Conferences b. Industry/Trade Conference c. Hosted workshops and webinars d. Websites e. Blogs f. Social media g. Other (fill in the explanation) h. Not sure to answer	Yes	Multiple answers
56	Do the current approaches have an positive impact on building good partnerships with stakeholders? a. Yes b. No c. Not sure to answer	Yes	Single answer
57	Have you implemented any public-private partnerships in geographic naming or mapping activities? a. Yes b. No c. Not sure to answer If answer b-c, proceed to the next section: Capacity and Education	Yes	Single answer
58	If answer 56.a: Please describe your public-private partnership efforts	No	Long-text
Capacity and Education			
59	Is there any joint capacity-building or education program between the NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographical naming activities? a. Yes b. No If answer b, proceed to the next section	Yes	Single answer
60	If answer 59.a Please list any joint capacity-building or education programs.	No	Long-text
61	If answer 60: What challenges do you face in building or maintaining your joint program? (if any)	No	Long-text
Communication and Engagement			
61	Do you have processes in place for public consultation or feedback regarding your NMA/mapping activities? (Example: Using the official map portal to collect public feedback on changes in land use and land cover) a. Yes b. No c. Do not know the answer If answer b,c, proceed to the question No. 62	Yes	Single answer
62	If answer 61.a: Please describe the ways in which you engage with the public (Example: using social media to promote new mapping products)	Yes	Long-text

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63	If answer 62: How do you measure the effectiveness of your communication and engagement efforts related to mapping activities? (Example: through surveys or statistical report from social media engagement)	No	Long-text
64	Do you have processes in place for public consultation and feedback regarding NNA/geographical names activities? (Example: Using the official naming website to collect public feedback before standardizing names) a. Yes b. No c. Do not know the answer If answer b,c, proceed to the next section (No. 66)	Yes	Single answer
65	If answer 64.a: Please describe the ways in which you engage with the public (Example: using social media to promote naming activities)	Yes	Long-text
66	If answer 65: How do you measure the effectiveness of your communication and engagement efforts related to geographical naming activities? (Example: through surveys or statistical report from social media engagement) Proceed to closing no 67	No	Long-text
Closing			
67	Only if answer 19.e: What are the reasons for the absence of relationship between your NNA/geographical naming activities and NMA/mapping activities? proceed to submit response	Yes	Long-text
68	What benefits have you observed from collaboration between geographical names and mapping activities? a. Avoiding duplication of resources and work effort b. Increased efficiency c. Common understanding of mapping and naming process d. Recognition of resources required e. Updates occur more quickly f. Improved information exchange g. Consolidation of IT architecture h. Other (fill in the explanation)	Yes	Multiple answers
69	Please choose area(s) for improvement in collaboration between the NMA/mapping activities and NNA/geographic naming activities? a. Standards b. Communication c. Redundant products d. Data management e. Information sharing f. Workflows g. Difficulty in public access to information h. No improvement needed i. Other	Yes	Multiple answers

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70	If answer 69.a-g: Please provide more details. Note: If you chose "No improvement needed" or "Other", please fill (-)	Yes	Long-text
71	What practices do you follow that you would like to highlight as Best Practices for others?	No	Long-text
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