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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 the Russian Federation

Summary**

The report provides an overview of the main trends and developments in State policy relating to the naming of geographical objects, including the current status of the legislative, normative and methodological framework for identifying, standardizing, using, registering and recording geographical names as integral elements of the historical and cultural heritage of the peoples of the Russian Federation.

The report also addresses the development of the national database of geographical names – the State Catalogue of Geographical Names, the updating of the normative and legal basis connected with names of geographical objects, and the implementation of the concept of openness of the federal executive authorities of the Russian Federation regarding names of geographical objects.

The report includes information on the use in international projects of the State Standard 83 (GOST-83) Romanization system approved by the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names.

The report also covers events, including international events, relating to geographical names, in which experts from the Russian Federation, including representatives of the Federal Service for State Registration, Cadastre and Cartography, took part in the period 2021–2022.

* [GEGN.2/2023/1](#).

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