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## **Report of the Baltic Division**

## Summary\*\*

The report covers the two-year period since the 2023 session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

Five countries – Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and the Russian Federation – are members of the Baltic Division of the Group of Experts. In accordance with the principle of rotation, Poland is serving as the coordinating country, its four-year term having started in 2021. The Chair of the Division is Maciej Zych (Poland) and the Vice-Chair is Saulius Urbanas (Lithuania).

One divisional meeting, the twenty-third, was held during the reporting period. It took place in hybrid format in Vilnius on 2 and 3 October 2024.

Experts from the States members of the Division have participated in the ongoing work of the Working Group on Geographical Names Data Management, the Working Group on Romanization Systems, the Working Group on Toponymic Terminology and the Working Group on Exonyms. They were also actively involved in international events relating to geographical names, both within and beyond the framework of the Group of Experts.

The website of the Division provides information about the Division and all meetings held since 1992.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See http://eki.ee/knn/ungegn.





<sup>\*</sup> GEGN.2/2025/1.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The full report was prepared by Maciej Zych (Poland), Chair of the Baltic Division, in collaboration with divisional members. The report will be available at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/4th\_session\_2025/, in the language of submission only, as document GEGN.2/2025/28/CRP.28.