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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 Cameroon

#### Summary\*\*

Cameroon's activities relating to geographical names for the 2023–2024 period remain thwarted by an unfavourable economic climate marked by high living costs and persistent insecurity in the North-West and South-West Regions, despite reconstruction efforts, as well as sporadic atrocities by Boko Haram in the Far North Region. Nevertheless, the national report of Cameroon highlights two activities:

- The public defence of 30 dissertations by the sixty-third class of student teachers of geography at the École normale supérieure of the University of Yaoundé I, on the theme of “Geographical names and dynamics of spaces”, with the best contributions to be published in a book;
- Some of the routine work carried out by the National Institute of Cartography.

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\* [GEGN.2/2025/1](#).

\*\* The full report (GEGN.2/2025/39/CRP.39) was prepared by Michel Simeu Kamdem, Director of Research, Chair of the Africa Central Division, Professor in the Department of Geography of the University of Yaoundé I, in Cameroon. The report will be available in the language of submission only at [https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/4th\\_session\\_2025/](https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/4th_session_2025/).

