

**2025 session of the United Nations Group of Experts on
Geographical Names (UNGEGN)
28 April – 2 May 2025**

Examples of final paragraphs for technical papers

Reference is made to Documentation for the session GEGN.2/2025/2, paragraph 6, which encourages including a final paragraph which state **the points for discussion and action(s)** that the Group of Experts is/are being invited to address in its deliberations. See examples of final paragraphs.

EXAMPLE 1

Points for discussion

The Group of Experts is invited to:

1. Express its views on the report and discuss the issues raised in support of strengthening the operations and work of the Group of Experts.

EXAMPLE 2

Points for discussion

The Group of Experts is invited to:

- (1) Take note of the efforts made to spread the knowledge on geographical names and to foster geographical and cartographic research in toponymy.
- (2) Consider new topics and fields of toponymic research so far insufficiently cultivated and to be addressed by future projects of the Joint ICA/IGU Commission on Toponymy.
- (3) Consider how the Joint ICA/IGU Commission on Toponymy could enforce its support for UNGEGN's main task of place-name standardization

EXAMPLE 3

Points for discussion

The Group of Experts is invited to:

- (1) Take note of the effort UNGEGN has made to encourage the use of web semantic technologies in geographical names standardization management.
- (2) Endorse UNGEGN to continue, and appropriately accelerate, encouraging member states to implement the principles laid out in UNGSGN I/4, Recommendation B, in digital geographical names standardization management systems.

EXAMPLE 4

Points for discussion

The Group of Experts is invited to:

- (1) Take note of the effort made to encourage national standardization of geographical names.
- (2) Discuss the principles of standardization applied in this specific case.
- (3) Encourage Austria's neighbouring countries to cooperate in this project.

EXAMPLE 5

Points for discussion

The Group of Experts is invited to:

- (a) Take note of the present report and draft strategic plan and programme of work and express its views on the efforts of the extended Bureau, to provide guidance on the future activities of the Group of Experts on working towards its vision and mandate;
- (b) Express its view towards adoption of the draft strategic plan and programme of work 2021 to 2029, provided as a background document to this present report, noting that it has been developed and reviewed through three global consultations with Member States and relevant international technical organizations;
- (c) Encourages Member States, UNGEGN Linguistic and Geographical Divisions, and Working Groups to collectively work together, led by the extended Bureau to implement the plan and programme of work and;
- (d) Provide guidance on further work to be done to improve the programme of work, including preparation of the financial prospectus, to establish the trust fund and an evaluation of existing working groups and task teams to effectively and efficiently undertake the implementation of the strategic plan.

EXAMPLE 6

Points for discussion

The Group of Experts is invited to:

- (1) Take note of the effort made to investigate into the use of minority place names and their standardization.
- (2) Consider and compare different practices of minority place-name standardization with their strengths and weaknesses.
- (3) Consider best practices of minority place-name standardization on the background of varying political and societal structures

Supporting text

The Group of Experts is invited to:

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| 1. Take note of the present report... | 2. Approve ... |
| 3. Express its view on ... | 4. Review and approve... |
| 5. Provide input, guidance, support... | 6. Reflect on... |
| 7. Endorse... | 8. Request |
| 9. Continue to urge Member States... | 10. Provide feedback... |
| 11. Consider and recommend... | 12. Support ... |
| 13. Encourage Member States/National Names Authorities... | 14. Welcome and invite Member States/National Names Authorities... |
| 15. Provide continuous updates... | 16. Adopt... |