



## 14<sup>th</sup> Working Group on Exonyms Meeting, Corfu, Greece

Vienna, 12 December 2012

Dear friends and colleagues,

As already announced earlier, the 14<sup>th</sup> UNGEGN Working Group on Exonyms Meeting will take place **23-25<sup>th</sup> May 2013** on the Greek island of Corfu [Kerkira] due to the kind invitation of our Greek colleagues, more specifically Mr. Gounaris.

We will not meet in the Achilleion, as announced earlier, but in Corfu town, where all the hotels are located.

Our local organizers will not arrange special rates in a certain hotel for us. So I advise you to reserve your room as soon as possible in order to have it for sure and to have still a wider choice, while a later booking may result in a narrower choice and higher prices.

An international airport is situated nearby Corfu town and offers seasonal (May is already part of the tourist season) direct flight connections to many European cities.

Our meeting will be held **in conjunction with the UNGEGN Working Group on Toponymic Terminology** (convenor: Staffan Nyström) and be composed of two days (Thursday, Friday) devoted to the agenda of our WG, half a day (Saturday morning) devoted to the agenda of the WG on Toponymic Terminology and half a day (Saturday afternoon) for a common excursion.

The main purpose of our meeting is **to discuss the endonym/exonym divide**, i.e. the concepts of the endonym and the exonym as well as possible new definitions, thoroughly.

This means that papers are most welcome that deal with this thematic focus. We will also devote sufficient time to discuss these papers and items.

But this does not mean that papers on other topics connected with exonyms were excluded, such as

- status of sea names
- criteria for a sensitive use of exonyms
- trends in exonym use
- categorisation of exonyms

You are invited to present a paper and/or to participate in the discussions. Mind, that you can also take part in the meeting without presenting a paper. The meeting is also by no means confined to Working Group or UNGEGN members. Everybody interested is very welcome. **No participation fee** is requested.

A **common excursion** around the island of Corfu will conclude the event. It will not be possible to have an excursion to the Albanian coast as planned earlier.

## **Accommodation**

Corfu town offers a large variety of hotels (see e.g. <http://www.greekhotel.com/ionian/corfu/>) and practically every hotel is in walking distance of our venue (which is not yet exactly defined). Please, be aware that you are responsible for booking and paying your accommodation yourself. This will not be done by the organizers.

## **Preliminary time schedule**

### **Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013, 9 a.m. – 17 p.m.:**

14<sup>th</sup> Working Group on Exonyms Meeting; paper presentations

### **Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2013, 9 a.m. – 17 p.m.:**

14<sup>th</sup> Working Group on Exonyms Meeting; paper presentations and discussions

### **Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2013, morning:**

Meeting of the Working Group on Toponymic Terminology

### **Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2013, afternoon:**

Common excursion

## **Registration**

Please, register for participation, excursion and paper presentation by using the form sheet attached and return this sheet by e-mail up to 31<sup>th</sup> January at the latest.

Looking forward to seeing you in Corfu and with kind regards

Peter Jordan

(Convenor, Working Group on Exonyms)