



Riga [Rīga] (Photo: Gatis Dieziņš, JIC, 2017)

21st meeting of the Working Group on Exonyms, Riga Sep. 2018 – Call for Papers

Vienna, 23 February 2018

Dear friends and colleagues,

As already announced earlier, we have planned the 21st UNGEGN Working Group on Exonyms Meeting to take place 24-26th September 2018 in Riga, Latvia. We will be hosted by the Latvian Geospatial Information Agency. The venue for the meeting will be the Latvian War Museum (Latvijas Kara muzejs), Smilšu iela 20 (Pulvertornis) Rīga LV1050, located in the historical centre of the city (location map courtesy of Latvian Geospatial Information Agency <<http://ej.uz/pulvertornis>>, museum website <<http://www.karamuzejs.lv/>>).

The preliminary meeting schedule is to have paper presentations and discussions on 24th (Mon) and 25th (Tue) September 2018, and a fieldwork excursion on 26th Sep (Wed).

There is no participation fee for the meeting, but there will be a small charge for the excursion. Participants are asked to arrange for their transportation and accommodation on their own. A small list of hotels near the meeting venue is attached below for your information. Meals during the meeting are also to be paid by the participants.

As for the leading theme for this meeting I would like to suggest "Categorisation of Exonyms". This is a task mentioned prominently in the terms of reference when the exonym working group was formed. Etymologies, feature types, and many any other aspects would play a role in this. Issues on modification of rendering to suit the grammatical convention of the receiver language, or handling of ideograms (Sinosphere

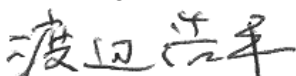
languages) could probably be also addressed under this theme.

As usual in the previous meetings, any other topics connected with exonyms are also welcome, such as the need for a "third term" alongside exonym & endonym, or questions such as "are donor exonyms possible?". You are also very welcome to introduce a new topic that needs to attract our interest in your opinion. And you are of course always welcome to report about your own projects connected with exonyms.

We plan to have the proceedings published as Volume 8 of the toponymic book series "Name & Place" with Peter Jordan, Paul Woodman and Kohei Watanabe as editors.

As always, the meeting is by no means confined to Working Group or UNGEGN members (if such membership existed). Everybody interested is very welcome.

Best Regards,



Kohei Watanabe, convenor of exonym WG

Registration

Please register for participation, excursion and paper presentation by using the form sheet attached and return this sheet by email up to 15th July 2018 at the latest.

Deadlines

15 July 2018: Registration for meeting and excursion, announcing paper title

14 Sep 2018: Full paper submission (The full papers will be disseminated to all participants some days before the meeting).

Accommodation:

*** Astor Riga Hotel <http://www.astorrigahotel.lv/> 1 min. walk

*** Hotel Roma <http://hotelroma.lv/?lang=en> 4 min. walk

*** Hotel Radi un Draugi <http://www.hotelradiundraugi.lv/en/> 10 min. walk

*** Rixwell Hotel Konventa Seta <http://www.rixwell.com/en/rixwell-hotel-konventa-seta/contacts> 5 min. walk

*** Hotel Forum <http://stpetershotel.lv/en/hotels-and-apartments/forums-hotel/about-hotel/> 10 min. walk

Please mind that reserving accommodation is your own responsibility.

Registration form

Please return to kw10004@cam.ac.uk by 15 July 2018

Name.....

Affiliation.....

Country.....

E-mail.....

I will participate in the meetings in Riga, Latvia, and will take part in the following events:

- Working Group on Exonyms Meeting 24 Sep 2018
- Working Group on Exonyms Meeting 25 Sep 2018
- Fieldwork excursion (26th September, fee: €25 EUR)

- I wish to present a paper at the 21st Working Group on Exonyms Meeting

Title.....

Author(s).....

Any other remarks: