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## 26<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Exonyms, Prague May 2024 – Call for Papers

Tokyo, 21 Feb 2024

Dear friends and colleagues,

As announced earlier, the 26th UNGEGN Working Group on Exonyms Meeting is planned to take place 14th (Tue) - 15th (Wed) May 2024 in Prague, Czech Republic. This meeting will be hosted jointly by the Institute of Ethnology of the Czech Academy of Sciences (14th May, Na Florenci 3) and the Czech Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre (15th May, Pod sídlištěm 9)

Our meeting in Prague will be in back-to-back with the East Central and Southeast Europe Division meeting, (16 May), as well as the workshop "Naming the Community: Identity Reconfiguration in Central and Eastern Europe" (16-17 May). The former is hosted by the Czech Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre, and the latter is hosted by the Institute of Ethnology of the Czech Academy of Sciences. In addition, we are planning a fieldwork excursion (optional) on the 18th (Sat).

We would appreciate if you could indicate your intention to present at your earliest convenience. There is no participation fee for the meeting, but there may be a small charge for the excursion. Participants are asked to arrange for their transportation and accommodation on their own. Meals during the meeting are also to be paid by the participants.

There will be two leading themes for this meeting: the first is the preparation for a proposal of a decision /resolution *on the use and safeguarding of exonyms* at the UNGEGN session 2025. We have been working on this for some years, and have agreed on a draft at our 24rd meeting in Ljubljana 2022, but we could not have it passed in the UNGEGN session in New York 2023, and is to be discussed further.

The second theme is *remaining ambiguities of the endonym/ exonym divide*. We have also been working

on this for a while, but I have received a few requests to continue on this topic. Peter Jordan (2017) as my predecessor as convener of the WG has summarised the questions. Paul Woodman (2023) has also pointed out the issues we need to resolve. Notions such as "exonymoids" and "endonymoids" have been suggested in the past, where do they fit in the scheme of things? Would a proposition of a "third term" in addition to endonym and exonym be useful?

As usual in the previous meetings, any other topics connected with exonyms are also welcome, such as more practical case studies on implementing existing resolutions on exonyms. You are also very welcome to introduce a new topic that you think require attraction of our interest. And you are of course always welcome to report about your own projects connected with exonyms.

At the moment we don't have plans on publishing a book containing the proceedings, but probably we can collate the papers into a pdf file and make it available to the public.

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, convener of exonym WG

Jordan P. (2017) The endonym /exonym divide – Questions resolved and still open at the 15th anniversary of the Working Group on Exonyms [https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/ungegn/docs/11th-uncsgn-docs/E\\_Conf.105\\_17\\_CR\\_17\\_11\\_15th%20anniversary%20.pdf](https://unstats.un.org/unsd/geoinfo/ungegn/docs/11th-uncsgn-docs/E_Conf.105_17_CR_17_11_15th%20anniversary%20.pdf)

Woodman P. (2023) Names & Belonging - A matter for consideration within the UNGEGN Exonyms Working Group (distributed earlier to the members of the working group. Please request the convener for an electronic copy)

## Venue

14th May: Institute of Ethnology, Czech Academy of Sciences (Na Florenci 3) <https://mapy.cz/s/jumurugumo>

15th May: Czech Office for Surveying, Mapping and Cadastre (Pod sídlištěm 9) <https://mapy.cz/s/fotocekuta>

18th May: Fieldwork excursion (optional) destination to be confirmed

## Related Events

16th May: UNGEGN East Central and Southeast Europe Division meeting

[https://ecseed.zrc-sazu.si/Portals/22/28%20session/Save%20the%20date-2024\\_u.pdf](https://ecseed.zrc-sazu.si/Portals/22/28%20session/Save%20the%20date-2024_u.pdf)

16-17th May: Workshop "Naming the Community: Identity Reconfiguration in Central and Eastern Europe"

<http://e-onomastics.blogspot.com/2024/01/workshop-naming-community-identity.html>

(please register with the relevant organisers on your own for participation in these meetings)

## Registration

We would appreciate if you could indicate your intention to participate by e-mail by 15 Mar 2024 (it will help the local organisers to know the numbers in advance). Intention to present and paper titles can be accepted until 14 Apr 2024. Please include your name, affiliation, theme(s) (you are welcome to present more than one paper).

## Tentative Deadlines

15 Mar 2024: Registration for meeting and excursion (Initial deadline. We will accept late registration)

14 Apr 2024: Intention to present, and paper title

30 Apr 2024: Full paper submission (The full papers will be disseminated to all participants a week or so before the meeting).

## Accommodation:

Please mind that reserving accommodation is your own responsibility.

## Registration form

Please return to kw10004@cam.ac.uk by 15 Mar 2024

Name.....

Affiliation.....

Country.....

E-mail.....

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

- Working Group on Exonyms Meeting 14 - 15 May 2024
- Fieldwork excursion, lunch (18 May, fee: tba),

The below is to be received by 14 Apr 2024

- The title(s) of the paper I wish to present at the 26th Working Group on Exonyms Meeting are as follows

Title.....

Author(s).....

Any other remarks: .....