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New developments

UN/LOCODE maintenance

UN/LOCODE system

• PoW (2024-2025)



Overview





- UN/LOCODE directory releases: <u>2022-1</u> and <u>2022-2</u> <u>http://www.unece.org/cefact/locode/welcome.html</u>
- UN/LOCODE Focal Point Network
 - New nominations: Chile and Egypt
 - Renomination: Sweden

In the past three maintenance cycles (2022-2023):

AU, CA, DE, EG, ES, FR, GB, GR, IN, IT, PL, US





- Sustainable fisheries
- Agreement on Port State Measures (PSMA)
 - MOP3 in 2021: discussed the mandatory use of UN/LOCODE to identify PSMAdesignated ports (DPs)
 - TWG-IE3 on 13-14 December 2022
 Importance of ensuring DPs have been attributed a UN/LOCODE, when possible.
 - MOP4 on 8-12 May 2023
- Global Record
 - GRWG6 on 12 December 2022
 Register fishing vessel registration ports in UN/LOCODE
 Concerns about waiting six months for the UN/LOCODE release



IMO FAL 47





47th Session of the Facilitation Committee of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) on 13-17 March 2023:

- Guidelines on Operational Port Data: Recommendation of only using GS1 GLN for vessel-berth compatibility check
 - Coordination of the IMO secretariat through the FP
 - Support of the Chair, the Vice-Chair and experts
- UNECE interventions reflected in the conference report

Recommendation in question was removed from the Guidelines

- ISO standard
 - GS1 GLN: ISO/IEC 6523
 - UN/LOCODE ?





ISO 3166 Maintenance Agency





- The MA Plenary session took place in Geneva in October 2022.
- Revision of the MA's ToR:
 - Addition of reference to the FAQ
 - Clearer linkage of country codes to UN member state status
 - Revision of reference to administrative language and inclusion of locally official languages.
- ISO 3166-2 Task Force
 - Annual updates on subdivisions
 - Review of the administrative languages
 - Definition of an administrative language or a locally-official language
 - Consistent approach of using locally-official languages in subdivision names.



Relevant UN/CEFACT Projects





JSON-LD Web Vocabulary

- New UN/CEFACT project launched in December 2021
- Aim to deliver the UN/CEFACT supply chain vocabulary published in JSON-LD

View UN/LOCODEs

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- Both human readable and machine readable
- To support the international community in the development of interoperable Application Programming Interfaces (APIs), Internet of Thing (IoT) streams, and Verifiable Credentials.

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UN/LOCODE Maintenance





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• Online maintenance meetin Microsoft Teams with the secretariat, experts, Focal Points and DMR requesters.

- A direct communication platform
- Consistent understanding of Rec. 16 and application of DMR validation rules
- Others
 - Guidelines published on the UNECE website
 - Weekly newsletter



Ad-hoc Maintenance Policy Meetings



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- First ad-hoc meeting on 29 June 2022, Hybrid
- Second ad-hoc meeting on 13 April 2023, Virtual
 - Working document covering 10 issues
- Outcome
 - Draft recommendations (<u>UNLOCODE-AG/2023/INF.3</u>)



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UN/LOCODE System





Non-compliant with the Minimum-Security Requirements

	Function	Since
MS ACCESS	Generation and publication of the UN/LOCODE directory	2001
.Net+SQL server	Online Data Maintenance Request (DMRs) submission	2003
Google Sheet	Collaboration platform to validate DMRs	2019

• Solution?



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Programme of Work (2024-2025)



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- Same as the PoW (2022-2023)
- For approved by the UN/LOCODE Advisory Group
- To submit to the next UN/CEFACT Plenary for approval to extend the mandate of the Group to another two-year term













https://unece.org/trade/cefact/unlocode-advisorygrpmtg2023



















