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- **New developments**
- UN/LOCODE maintenance
- UN/LOCODE system
- UN/LOCODE strategy
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29th session of the UN/CEFACT Plenary (9-10 Nov. 2023)

1. Endorsed the Report of the UN/LOCODE Advisory Group at its 2023 (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2023/22)
2. Approved the UN/LOCODE Advisory Group's Programme of Work 2024-2025 (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2023/23)
3. Noted the Executive Guide on UN/LOCODE Maintenance prepared by the secretariat (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2023/14)

Plenary decision 23-21

The UN/CEFACT Plenary encouraged all delegations to have a UN/LOCODE National Focal Point nominated by their country if not yet nominated, and that the National Focal Points should actively work with the UN/LOCODE Maintenance Team to validate Data Maintenance Requests (DMRs).





- UN/LOCODE directory releases: 2023-1 and 2023-2
<http://www.unece.org/cefact/locode/welcome.html>
- New Child Code: UPU Mail Processing Centre Code
- UN/LOCODE Focal Point Network
 - New nomination: Indonesia
 - Renominations: Mongolia and the United Kingdom
- Workshop for Indonesia, Bhutan and the United Kingdom





Fifth session of the Joint FAO-IMO-ILO Ad-hoc Working Group on IUU Fishing and Related Matters (8-12 Jan. 2024)

- In the working document, the interagency cooperation on UN/LOCODE is mentioned as follows:
 - UN/LOCODE child code: the IMO Port Facility Number
 - IMO FAL 47: the recommendation of only using GS1 GLN for vessel-berth compatibility check removed from the guidelines
 - FAO: PSMA-designated ports
 - Expanding the use of UN/LOCODE

Recommendation

The JWG 5 recommends FAO, IMO and other relevant organizations to promote the implementation of relevant international standards and instruments, such as UN/LOCODE and UN/FLUX, to enhance communication and electronic exchange of data for sustainable fisheries management.





Global Location Data Service

- Location data from different sources, such as UN/LOCODE, GS1 GLN, IMO Port Facility Number, SMDG, BIC, IATA and other location datasets
- Easily findable on its portal
- Connects with services operated by Data Owners (if available)
- GS1 GLN is used to serve as a common system-to-system identifier





- Make the Maritime Single Window for data exchange mandatory in ports
- Since 1 January 2024
- UN/LOCODE used to identify ports



IMO Maritime Single Window

a public available, Open Source, Cross Platform system for ship reporting according to the IMO FAL Convention

The graphic features a dark blue background with white text. Below the text, there are illustrations of a desktop monitor, a laptop, and a smartphone, all displaying data tables. To the right, there is a colorful container ship at sea. The IMO logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the graphic.





- The treatment of locally official languages in 3166-2.
- The current interim - add locally official subdivision names under the 'local variant' heading in 3166-2.
- The definition of the term 'administrative language' should be established.
- The future revision of its Terms of Reference
 - To clarify which types of change in a subdivision would require changes to the subdivision code





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UN/LOCODE Maintenance Team

- Weekly maintenance meeting in each maintenance cycle
- Subsystem 2: Google Sheet
- Regularly updated Guidelines on UN/LOCODE Maintenance
- Release frequency?





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- Subsystem 1: Front end for Data Maintenance Request (DMR) online submission
- Subsystem 2: Google Sheet for DMR validation
- Subsystem 3: Back end for directory generation and publication



UN/LOCODE_DMR_2024_1

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
75	UN-2023-68567	+	8312	US	M4N	M4N	NC	NC		Manns Harbor	Manns Harbor		3
76	UN-2023-68574	+	HLAG	US	S2O	S2O	AR	AR		Strawberry	Strawberry		3
77	UN-2023-68575	+	HLAG	US	M2J	M2J	FL	FL		Mc David	Mc David		3
78	UN-2023-68577	+	EXXON	US	B55	B55	LA	LA		BELLE ROSE	Belle Rose		23
79	UN-2023-68605	+	8346	US	L8K	L8K	SC	SC		Long Creek	Long Creek		16
80	UN-2023-68606	+	8346	US	L8K	L8K	SC	SC		Long Creek	Long Creek		16
81	UN-2023-68409	I	USOQCM	US	OOC	OOC				Morocco	Morocco		3
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83	UN-2023-68398	+	OOCL	VN	VT3	VT3	68	68		Viet Tri	Viet Tri		3
84	UN-2023-68478	+	INTTRA	VN	DTN	DTN	63	63		Duy Tien	Duy Tien		16
85	UN-2023-68492	+	SAIGONP	VN	TBT	TBT	50	50		Giao Long	Giao Long		1
86	UN-2023-68429	I	VNDNAD	VN	DNA	DNA				Donk Nai	Donk Nai		3
87	UN-2023-68511	I	XZTGR	Tai ID	TGR	TGR				Tanjung Gerem	Tanjung Gerem		3
88	UN-2023-68465	+	8166	ZA	SAB	SAB	MP	MP		Sabie	Sabie		5
89	UN-2023-68410	#	ZAZDKLvt	ZA	ZDK	ZDK				Lyttleton	Lyttleton		3
90	UN-2023-68595	I	ZANGQP	ZA	NGQ	NGQ				Port Of Nazura	Port Of Nazura		3
91	UN-2023-68543	+	8171	ZM	CLG	CLG				Chilanga	Chilanga		3
92	UN-2023-68437	+	R171	ZW	RHR	RHR	MA	MA		Rubera	Rubera		3



Cyber security issues in the front end

- Non-compliant with the Minimum-Security Requirements for Public Websites of the United Nations ICT Technical Procedure.
- Three cyber security problems fixed
- Passed the cyber security audit in Feb. 2024.





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Kick-off meeting (28 Sep. 2024)

- Term of References (UNLOCODE-AG/2024/INF.3)
- Four Subgroups:
 - Subgroup 1: Identification of small fishery ports in the FAO Global Record.
 - Subgroup 2: Feasibility study to fast-track the UN/LOCODE as an ISO standard.
 - Subgroup 3: Address the co-existence of UN/LOCODEs assigned to locations (areas) and sub-locations (points).
 - Subgroup 4: Testing of the new re-engineered online data maintenance request (DMR) application

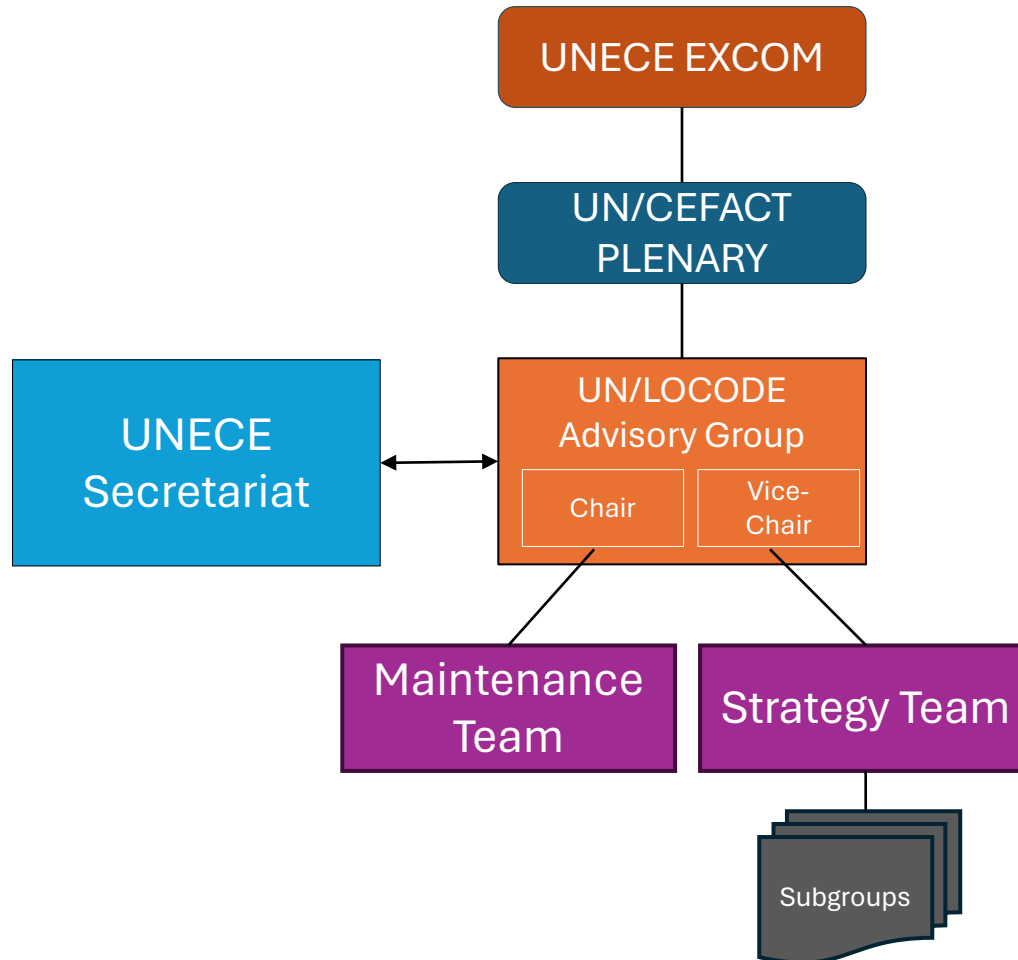




Report from the UN/LOCODE Task Force

- UNLOCODE-AG/2024/INF.4
- Subgroup 3
- Subgroup 4







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Project proposal

- A new re-engineered ICT system, covering the whole UN/LOCODE data lifecycle, to maintain, generate and publish the UN/LOCODE directory on an agreed regular basis.
- An enhanced collaborative mechanism of the UN/LOCODE community, to ensure the governance and development of the UN/LOCODE standard, by revising the UNECE Recommendation No. 16 and address emerging policy issues raised by the UN/LOCODE community.
- Capacity building and knowledge transfer for a consistent and standardized application of Recommendation No. 16.
- Expansion of the use of UN/LOCODE.





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