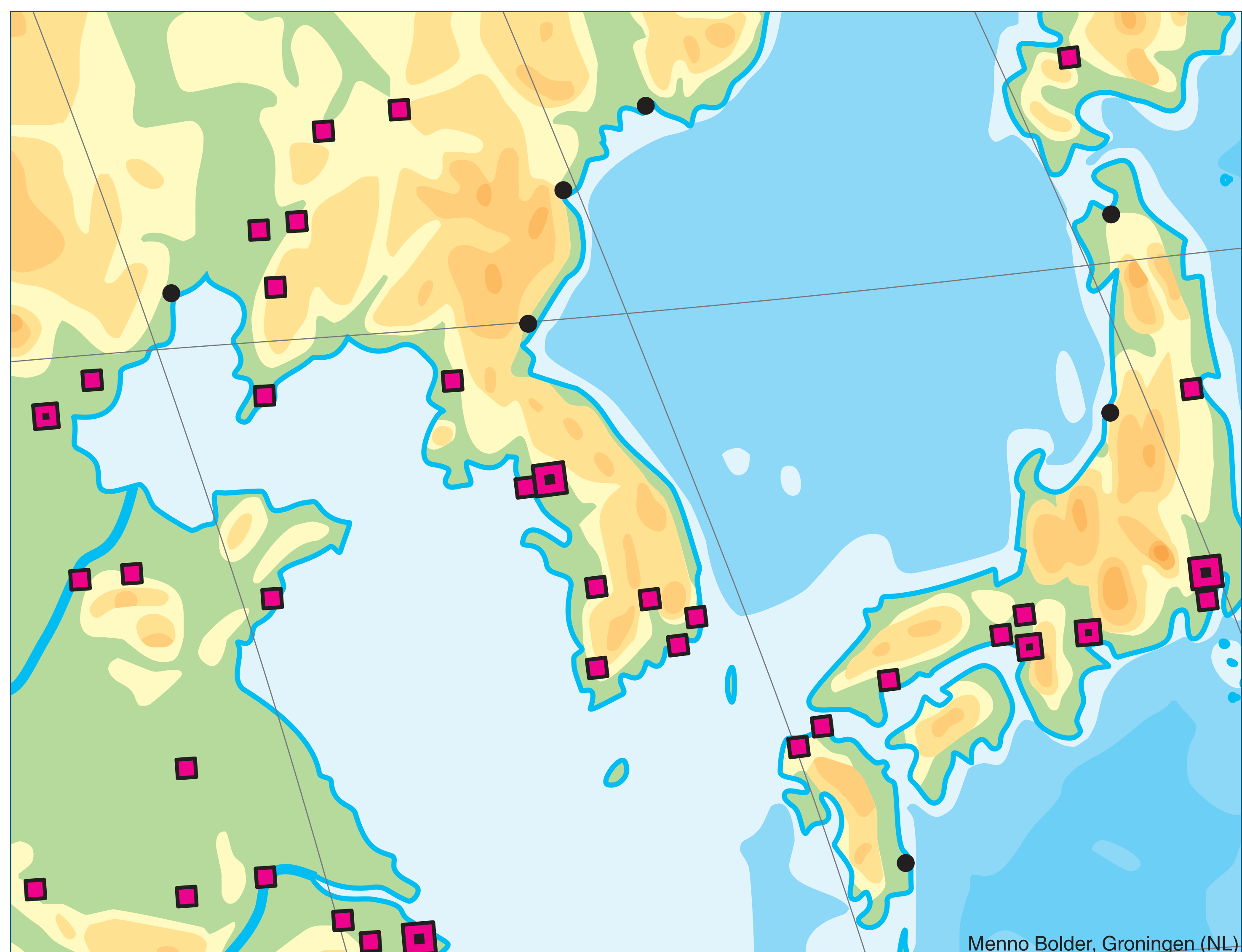


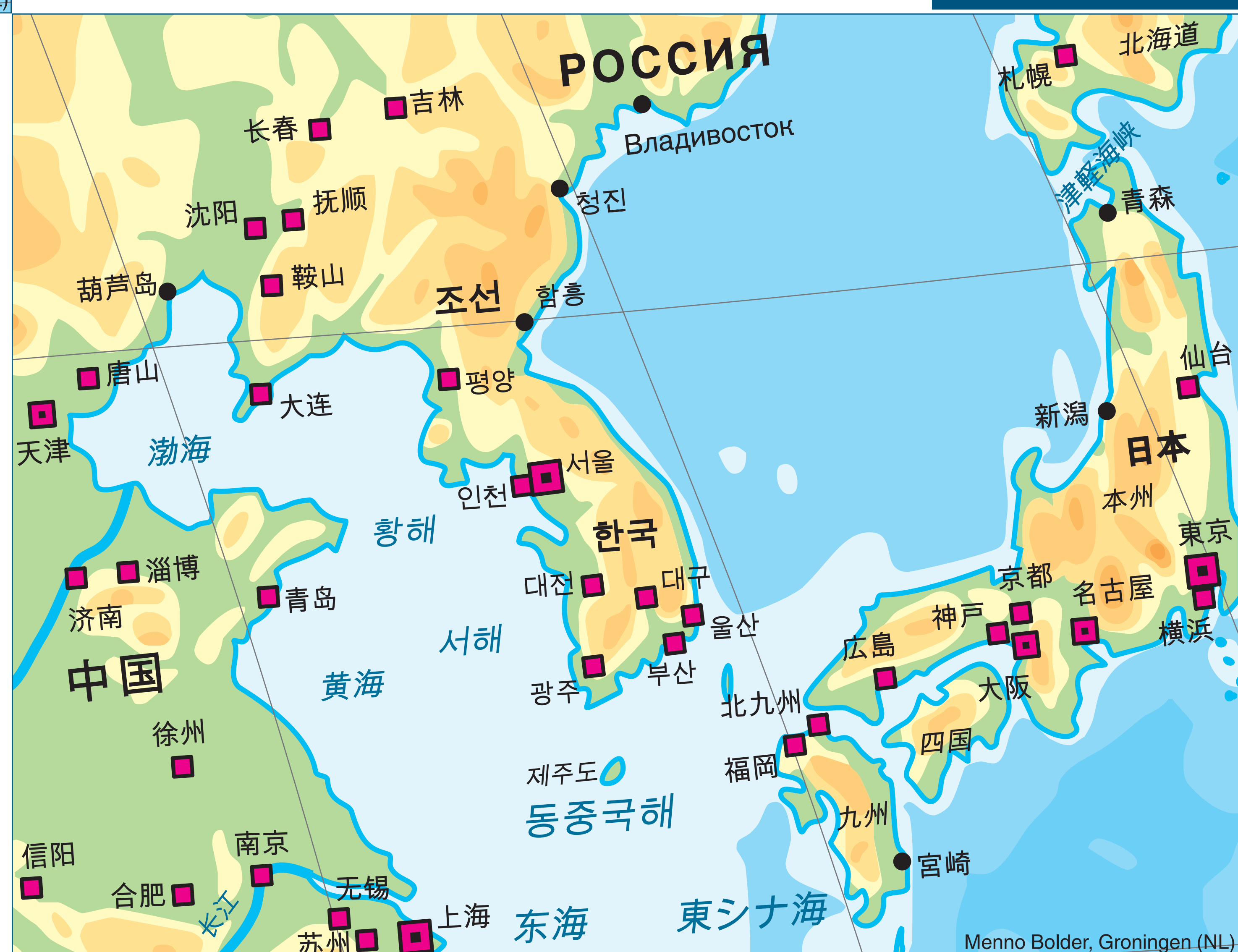
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Without names



With names

**Geographical information
only makes sense when
spatial objects are named**

(if only these names are standardized)

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Names in local
writing systems

Names converted into
Roman alphabet



International communication needs standards for the exchange of geographical information

(but it only works if both these names and the
conversion systems have been standardized)

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Historical,
superseded or
conventional
names



Current official names

**Geographical information
is only relevant when names
databases are kept up to date**

(but it only works when names are standardized)

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Maps make visible.
Maps provide
structure.
Maps are
customized
to your needs.



Geographical information only makes sense when spatial objects can be identified

(but it only works if the names are standardized)



Names data base GN-DE (BKG)

Application of relevant UN resolutions

Example: 1 topogr. Object in a minority region > 2 Endonyms

GNObjekt									
nnid	landescode	beschreibung	geolaenge	geobreite	hoehe	groesse	ewz	rs	objektartlink_id
DEBKGGND00000IUD 276			142539	511051	220	67	42131	146250000020	22

Endonym				
nnid	name	geschlecht	sprache_id	status_id
DEBKGGND00000IUD Bautzen		1	1	
DEBKGGND00000IUD Budyšin		2	1	

DLMLink			
nnid	ui_id	modell_id	layer_id
DEBKGGND00000IUD DEBKGD200000WJK 1			12
DEBKGGND00000IUD DEBKGD2000015N8 1			13

PLZ	
nnid	plz
DEBKGGND00000IUD 02625	

Status 1 = amtlich

Sprache 1 = Deutsch
Sprache 2 = Sorbisch

WFS GN-DE – Gazetteer Service

Find a Name

Name (min.3 characters)
* for arbitrary characters

For experts and interested people:
Here you can have a look at the request to the
standardized Web Feature Service (WFS) and
the corresponding response in XML format.

XML Request →

XML Response ←

Direct requests using our Applet [PostRequest](#).

Map Presentation and Search

Name	Object Type	Postcode	LAT	LON	Height	Area
Bautzen	Ortslage	02625	14° 25'46"	51° 10'56"	220 m	67 km²
Budyšin	Ortslage					
Bautzen	Verwaltungseinheit		0° 0' 0"	0° 0' 0"		
Bautzen	Verwaltungseinheit		0° 0' 0"	0° 0' 0"		

- as graphic Web-application
- as OGC Web Feature Service (WFS)

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have been standardized)