1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Haute-Provence UNESCO Global Geopark, France, European Geoparks Network

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2000 / 2019

Representative photo with caption (from the most important event this year)

Earth memory monument inauguration with GGN experts Pr Jin and Barrera in presence of G. Martini EGN founder.

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 10 staffs including 3 geoscientists

Number of visitors: Total number of the visitors to the geopark is difficult to estimate, the Musée-promenade visitors’ number is 17,000 and over 25,000 for the ammonites’ slab.

Number of Geopark events: Twelve Geopark events among which 7 by cooperative organization

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: Two elementary school classes and 4 in secondary school.

Number of Geopark press release: Five Regional daily press releases, 2 radio interviews during summer high period and one press conference in Paris for national media together with other Geopark cooperative bodies such as tourism bureau, craftsmen, …
3. GEO PARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2019

- Creation of a new graphic and visual identity for Geopark and new internet website. New exhibition on Geoparks network in Musée-promenade. Inauguration of Earth memory monument in Digne-les-Bains main square.

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Participation in 43th EGN meeting in Swabish Alb UGGp (3 representatives), in 44th EGN meeting in Sierra norte de Sevilla UGGp (4 representatives) and Validation mission of Belitong aUGGp.

Management and Financial Status

- Management is under responsibility of PAA community; global budget is about 204,000 € (not including Musée-Promenade). For organization matters, the staff decreases by two persons (technical) and one geologist (retired) compared with 208.

Geoconservation

- Geoconservation is implemented by Réserve naturelle géologique de Haute-Provence, our partner, who has a 4 peoples staff (2 geologists). In 2019, La Robine ichthyosaur new installations opened to the public and stabilization and tourism infrastructure works began in September on Ammonites’ slab.

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Placeholder text A new Geotourism product was successfully developed in July and August with support from Digne Tourism Bureau.

New education programmes on geoconservation, sustainable development and disaster risk reduction

- Co-organization of a Climatic change effects day with several scientific partners opened to general audience.

Strategic partnership

- The partnership with local actors producers and craftmen gave a new common participation in 98th Lavender fair with new cheese producers

Promotional activities

- Placeholder text

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