1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network:
Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark, Cyprus, European Geoparks Network

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2015 / 2019

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

Troodos Geopark Enduro 2019 (Mountain bike race)
2. GEOPARK FIGURES

**Number of Geopark staffs:** 5 staffs including 2 geoscientists

1) Petros Hadjicostas, Director of Troodos Development Company (TDC)-Management body of Troodos Geopark
2) Elena Tsangaridi, Communication & EU project officer of TDC & Coordinator of Troodos Geopark activities
3) Constantina Theofylactou, Geologist & Officer of Troodos Geopark Visitor Centre
4) Elena Georgallidou, secretary of TDC & officer of Troodos Geopark Visitor Centre
5) Efthymios Tsiolakis, Geoscientist of Troodos Geopark from the Cyprus Geological Survey Department

**Number of visitors:** 4,830 visitors to the visitor center.

**Number of Geopark events:** 8

1. First event “Let’s explore our Troodos Geopark”, Geo-education at Troodos Geopark Visitor Centre with various of activities for children and guided tours for adults, organised by Troodos Development Company-management body of Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark, August 2019.
4. *International Mountain Bike race “Troodos Geopark Enduro 2019”* organised by Troodos Development Company-management body of Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark in collaboration with Activate Cyprus, October 2019 within the framework of the project GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS – GEO-IN.
5. Presentation for the endemic birds of Troodos Geopark area, at Kyperountas Primary school in collaboration with Bird life Cyprus, December 2019.

**Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programs:**
- 97 School & University classes

**Number of Geopark press release: 4**
1. Press release to the “POLITIS” Newspaper for the opening of the Exhibition with title “Earth's Memories”.
2. Interview with the communication manager for Troodos Unesco Global Geopark to POLITIS newspaper
3. Press release for Troodos Geopark Enduro
4. Five articles in Austrian newspapers and magazines regarding Troodos Geopark area

**3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES**

**Major achievements in 2019**
- The revalidation mission of the TUGGp that was held on July 2019.
- The new educational tools for Troodos Geopark Visitor Centre

**Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation**
- the 43rd EGN Coordination Committee Meeting Swabian Alb (Germany), March 2019.
- the 44th EGN Coordination Committee Meeting, Sierra Norte De Sevilla (Spain), September 2019.
- The 15th Conference of the European Geoparks Network (Seville, Spain), September 2019.
- Participating in the ITB Berlin tourism fair 2019.
- Contribution with an article to the 17th EGN magazine issue with title “A NEW GEOEDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AT THE TROODOS UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARK (TUGGp)”.
- Contribution to the EGN newsletters no. with short articles and photographs.
Management and Financial Status

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Geoconservation

- Replacing broken information signs, a broken wooden bridge and steps in several geosites

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

1. Presentation of the project INTERREG GREECE-CYPRUS ‘GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS’ with acronym GEO-IN at Rodon Hotel organized by Troodos Development Company-management body of Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark, May 2019. Troodos
Development Company (TDC) is implementing a project INTERREG GREECE-CYPRUS ‘GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS’ with acronym GEO-IN in collaboration with the Forestry Department in Cyprus and other Greek Insular Geoparks such as Lesvos, Sitia, Psiloritis. The activities of TDC within the framework of this project are focused on geotouristic activities and workshops such as local gastronomy, hospitality, ecological and environmental tourism, local restaurant. The project also focused on promoting and creating infrastructures for cycling tourism in Troodos Geopark and more educational material for Troodos Geopark Visitor Centre such as children books, 4D table games, stereoscopes, tool kit and more promotional videos for the area.

2. **Troodos Development Company hosted four** Austrians travel journalists in Troodos Geopark area for four days for promoting the geopark, in collaboration with the Troodos Tourism Board, November 2019, within the framework of the project **GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS – GEO-IN**.

3. Organized two Gastronomic Workshops on "Exploiting Local and Traditional Products for New Proposals in Restaurant Menus" organized by Troodos Development Company-management body of Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark, May & July 2019 within the framework of the project **GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS – GEO-IN**.

4. Promotion of the Troodos Geopark via information platforms such as the creation of the platforms “iLifeTroodos” and “visitsolea” ([www.visitsolea.com](http://www.visitsolea.com)).

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

1. "**Introductory seminar for Geopark Escorts**, March 2019, organized by the Forestry Department in collaboration with Troodos Development Company and the Geological Survey Department within the framework of the project **GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS – GEO-IN**.

2. Educational activities at Troodos Geopark Visitor Centre such as:
   - "**Help me fly**". I'm learning about the butterfly life cycle, organized by Troodos Development Company-management body of Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark, May & July 2019 within the framework of the project **GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS – GEO-IN**, "I'm learning about the bee."
   - "I'm learning and paint the Ophiolite Complex"
   - "Crossword: Let's See What We Learned Today?".

**Strategic partnership**
1. ‘Troodos Development Company (TDC) is implementing a project INTERREG GREECE-CYPRUS ‘GEOTOURISM IN INSULAR GEOPARKS’ with acronym GEO-IN in collaboration with the Forestry Department in Cyprus and other Greek Insular Geoparks such as Lesvos, Sitia, Psiloritis. ‘Star observation & natural environment - Alternative product of the development & promotion of Geoparks in the East Mediterranean’ (acronym GEO-STARS).


Promotional activities


2. Publishing the 2019 Troodos Geopark Agenda-Diary (for selling)


6. Presentation of the exhibition ("Earth's Memories") on the show "Morning News" of the TV channel ALPHA Cyprus, May 2019.

7. Presentation of the Troodos Geopark on the TV show EU4U of Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation (CyBC).


9. Tribute to Troodos Geopark - Interview with Theodora Chrysostomou from "POLITIS" newspaper.

10. An informative workshop on the Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark and the GEO-IN European Project held on May 2019, Rodon Hotel, in the Agros village as part of the Rhodes Festival.

11. Production and sale of various products with the Geopark logo (handmade pottery caps, hats, etc), through the TUGGp Visitor Centre shop.

4. CONTACTS

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