

Chinese Geoparks Network - Annual Report 2020

1. IDENTITY

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Short description on CGN:

The policy-making body in China was the Ministry of Land and Resources before 2018. Nowadays the National Forestry and Grassland Administration (NFGA) is the authority body nominating candidates for UGGp and designating national Geoparks. It's an official channel to deal with all the routine work in charge of relations with UNESCO on UGGps.

CGN established in 2012, attached to the Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences, is in charge of coordination, organization, publicity and promotion of national and global geopark activities, and also plays as a platform for technical support and consultation for the National Forestry and Grassland Administration and geoparks family in China. At present, CGN includes 41 UNESCO Global Geoparks and 281 national geoparks.

CGN also keeps in touch with UNESCO, GGN and APGN. CGN deals with two GGN communication tools a *GGN website* (www.globalgeopark.org) and *GGN Newsletter* (electronic and paper printing). The budget of CGN comes from Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences and financially supported by China Geological Survey and Central Public-interest Scientific Institution Basal Research Fund.

3. ACTIVE APPLICATIONS

Active application in your country (name, year of application submission, representative, e-mail, website)

(1). Longyan aUGGp, 2019, Mr. Fu Wenyuan, lysdzgysyb@163.com,
<http://www.longyangeopark.com>

(2). Xingyi aUGGp, 2019, Mr. HUANG Zhicai, xingyi_geopark@163.com,
<http://www.xingyigeopark.com>

- (3). Mount Changbaishan aUGGp, 2020, Mr. ZHENG Yiguo, baohuchu@126.com, <http://dzgy.changbaishan.gov.cn/>
- (4). Linxia aUGGp, 2020, Mr. MA Xiao, LXDZGY@126.com, <https://www.lxgeopark.com>
- (5). Yanqing UGGp (extension >10%), 2020, Ms. LI Yunqian, yanqingsjdzgy@163.com, <http://www.yqdzgy.cn>

Territories that you are advising: (name, how many years are being advised, representative, e-mail, website)

CGN, as a technical consultation, supports every year the new applications, evaluation & revalidation preparation of all geoparks in China. Some of them are as follow:

- (1). Longyan aUGGp, 2018-2020, Mr. Fu Wenyuan, lysdzgysyb@163.com, <http://www.longyangeopark.com>
- (2). Xingyi aUGGp, 2019, Mr. HUANG Zhicai, xingyi_geopark@163.com, <http://www.xingyigeopark.com>
- (3). Mount Changbaishan aUGGp, 2020, Mr. ZHENG Yiguo, baohuchu@126.com, <http://dzgy.changbaishan.gov.cn/>
- (4). Linxia aUGGp, 2020, Mr. MA Xiao, LXDZGY@126.com, <https://www.lxgeopark.com>
- (5). Yanqing UGGp, 2019, Ms. LI Yunqian, yanqingsjdzgy@163.com, <http://www.yqdzgy.cn>
- (6). Leye-Fengshan UGGp, occasional and individual
- (7). Yimengshan UGGp, occasional and individual
- (8). Huangshan UGGp, occasional and individual
- (9). Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UGGp, occasional and individual
- (10). Xiangxi UGGp, occasional and individual
- (11). Zhangye UGGp, occasional and individual
- (12). Fanshan National Geopark, occasional and individual
- (13). Guantaishan Guyindong National Geopark, occasional and individual

4. ACTIVITIES

- (1). CGN revised the Regulation of UNESCO Global Geoparks in China, compiled brochure and leaflets on UGGp. CGN also helped organize the field evaluation mission and reviewing meeting on aspiring National Geoparks. Four new National geoparks of China were accepted by NFGA .
- (2). Some comments on self-evaluation form were collected by CGN and submitted to UGGp Secretariat.
- (3). At the beginning of 2020, the message from GGN ExB expressed the greatest respect

and sympathy to all Chinese geoparks which greatly inspired our colleagues. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, UGGps are warmly encouraged to be more and more involved in activities to support their communities and partners. During the most of the year, Chinese geoparks including the 41 UGGps return to work to demonstrate the resilience through holding training courses, lectures of popular science and celebrations during the international themed days in response to GGN's call. CGN coordinated UGGps to participate the 1st GGN Film Festival, GGN digital forum and training courses, and the 1st APGN Geoparks Week.

(4). CGN runs the bilingual (Chinese and English) GGN website with publishing more than 150 manuscripts. Two issues of GGN Newsletter 2020 is published by the same office, the third issue has been delayed until 2021.

(5). Supported the webinar between Lushan UGGp of China and Rinjani-Lombok UGGp of Indonesia (Oct.)

(6). Annual Conference of UGGps in China 2020 held in Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UGGp (Oct), more than 150 participants from NFGA, provincial forestry and grassland departments and local governments, global geoparks and aspiring and relevant experts gathered to share achievements and experiences. A workshop on evaluation and revalidation was included during the meeting.

(7). Supported training courses: Co-organized the 6th International training courses with China University of Geosciences Beijing (Dec.), China. Made presentations during the training course on natural reserves host by NFGA and International training course on karst by International Research Center on Karst (IRCK) (Nov.).

(8). The 35th annual meeting of Geological Society of China on Geotourism and Geoparks 2020 and the webinar of the 20th anniversary of Chinese National Geoparks were held in CAGS (Dec.)

(9). The 4th *Most Beautiful Earth Mark*, a geopark photography contest for public through social media "WeChat" held (April). Sister Geoparks in Joint Action was initiated by Danxiashan and Yandangshan UGGps and attended by 12 other geoparks nationwide with public participation of nearly 10,000 people.

(10). The experience exchange meeting on cooperative management of UNESCO Designated Sites(WH, UGGp and MAB) supported by CGN was held in Huangshan UGGp(Dec.)

(11). CGN guides and promotes global geoparks to actively conduct a serious activities & events during the international themed days (Earth Day, Disaster Reduction Day, Museum Day, the Indigenous People Day, Mountain Day, etc.)