

## 1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

**Geopark name, country, regional Network:** BASQUE COAST UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain, European Geoparks Network

**Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation:** 2010 / 2018

Karst Festival in Geoparkea during *Karst and caves international Year*



## 2. GEOPARK FIGURES

**Number of Geopark staffs:** 6 staffs including 1 geoscientist(s)

**Number of visitors:** evolution of the visitors in the official Guided Tours Program

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
9.756	14.076	18.072	19.170	18.301	12.588	19.239

**Number of Geopark events:**

- Research and dissemination: 33 initiatives
- Promotion activities: 14 activities
- European Geoparks week 2021: 7 activities

**Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes:**

	2018	2019	2020	2021
School students	10205	8275	1554	1826

**Number of Geopark press release:**

- 4 e-newsletter
- 30 news on the web site
- 24 press releases
- 12 radio interviews
- 12 television interviews
- 2 press conference

### 3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

#### Major achievements in 2021

- Opening of a new educational infrastructure called *Nautilus, didactic and research classroom*

#### Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Contributions to EGN Newsletter, GGN Newsletter and EGN Magazine
- Evaluation/revalidation missions to **Napo Sumaco** aUGGP (Ecuador), **Volcán Tungurahua** aUGGP (Ecuador), **Gullion Mourne Strangford** aUGGP (Ireland) and **Marble Arch** UGGP (Ireland)
- Both representatives have participated in digital CC meetings (Papuk and other digital events), as well as in the International Conference in Jeju.
- Strong participation in the Spanish Fora: Geoparks Open Day in Maestrazgo, monthly webinars about Geoparks.
- IUGS International Commission on Geoheritage - GGN – UGGP in Zumaia

#### Management and Financial Status

We have recovered the economic contributions of the pre-covid situation

#### Geoconservation

- Opening of the *didactic and research classroom* with a unified private collection of fossil ammonites for its conservation and research.
- Approval of the Foral Order 0404 / LI / 2021, of July 28, which develops the plan for public use and geological sampling of the Protected Biotope of the Deba-Zumaia littoral section

#### Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- We have recovered the number of visitors from before the pandemic. We have intensified the promotion and publicity within the framework of the Ecotourism Club of Spain.

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

- This school year (2021-2022) all the schools of the Geopark will participate in the Geoschools project and will carry out the three didactic activities developed during the last three years.

#### Strategic partnership

Renewal of the agreement with the Basque Government Environmental Department due to a change of legislature for TWO more years

#### Promotional activities

- On line promotional activities and publicity on media for summer time

### 4. CONTACTS

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