

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Beaujolais UNESCO Global Geopark, (FRANCE, European Geoparks Network)

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2018 / -



Release of the comic book “Stones stories” (Histoires de Pierres in french) with the local illustrator Eléonore AMPUY

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 4 staffs including 2 geoscientists

Number of visitors: Unknown

Number of Geopark events: 62 (9 held by the management body / 53 by cooperative organization)

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 71 classes in total (65 classes of primary school / 6 classes of middle school)

Number of Geopark press release: 58 + 2 TV reports

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2019

- Edition of a comic book “Stories of Stones : geological chronicles in Beaujolais”
- Conduct of participatory workshops along the year and building a new strategy and action plan for 2019-2022

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Participation in the 43rd EGN CC Meeting in Swabian Alb Geopark, march 2019

- Participation in the 11th International Intensive Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks in Lesvos Island Geopark, may-june 2019
- Participation in the 44th EGN CC Meeting and 15th European Geoparks Conference in Sierra Norte de Sevilla Geopark, september 2019
- In 2019, the Beaujolais Geopark launched a working group in the EGN Network about the thematic “Geology and wine in european Geoparks” (around twenty territories replied to the questionnaire and are working together to create suitable tools)

Management and Financial Status

- Implementation of a new strategy and action plan for the 2019-2022 period

Geoconservation

- Launch of the protection of the fault at the Espace Pierres Folles geosite, as part of the museum’s renovation and expansion project
- Scientific committee meetings and fields trips to assess new sites

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Inauguration of Chessy’s mine trail – geosite (may 2019) / Chervinges’ botanical and landscape trail – geosite (june 2019) / Chiroubles’ Terrace geosite (july 2019)

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

- Training course (5 days) for local guides of the Geopark, february 2019
- Training course (2 days) for middle and high school teachers, march 2019

Strategic partnership

- Participation in the network of touristic sites of Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region, avril/november 2019
- Participation in French UNESCO Global Geoparks network meetings, january/march/september/november 2019, and a technical meeting with the teams of the 7 french Geoparks in december 2019
- This year, the Beaujolais Geopark collaborated with the tourist offices and the tourism services of the area in order to establish an observatory of tourist attendance

Promotional activities

- Press conference for the release of the book “Stories of Stones”, june 2019
- Numerous communications of the Geopark team in multiples seminars, conferences, event fairs on topics like oenotourism, dry stones, vineyard soils, environment, 2019

4. CONTACTS

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