

# GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2020

## 1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

**Geopark name, country, regional Network:** MAESTRAZGO CULTURAL PARK - UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain, European Geoparks Network

**Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation:** 2020 (2000) / 2019

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



Reincorporation of the Maestrazgo Geopark as Unesco Global Geopark. Welcome Digital Event for the 15 new UNESCO Global Geoparks (16th July 2020)

## 2. GEOPARK FIGURES

**Number of Geopark staffs:** 4 staffs including 1 geoscientist

**Number of visitors:** If total number of the visitors to the geopark is difficult to estimate, show the number of the visitors to the major geosite(s), museum or visitor center.

50.000 visitors in Montoro de Mezquita, fluvial and mountain path.

**Number of Geopark events:** 16

**Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes:** 12

**Number of Geopark press release:** 8

### 3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

#### Major achievements in 2020

- Reincorporation of the Maestrazgo Geopark as Unesco Global Geopark.
- Activation in the EGN and GGN programming and activities.
- Celebration of EGN week and different international days and training activities.
- New promotional material.
- Twenty Years of Geopark (Travelling exhibition)
- New educational program and collaborations.

#### Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Active participation in the Welcome Digital Event for the 15 new UNESCO Global Geoparks (16<sup>th</sup> July 2020). Speech and Music group. Welcome Event for the new UNESCO World Geoparks where each Geopark had the opportunity to participate in the ceremony. In addition, the Maestrazgo Geopark was one of the four territories chosen to share their traditional folklore live with a music group.



- Participation in the 1st Digital Forum of the Global Geoparks Network. November 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Place: GotoMeeting platform virtual session.



## Management and Financial Status

- Meeting of the Geopark Council on February, Adoption of the annual Plan and budget.
- Meeting of Boards of Directors. Place: La Mata de los Olmos. January 31, 2020.



- Scientific Committee - Maestrazgo UGGp- and fieldtrip. Place: Mezquita de Jarque. March 2, 2020.



- Scientific Committee Maestrazgo UGGp. Place: GotoMeeting platform virtual session. December 11, 2020.



- Coordination meeting of the Maestrazgo Cultural Park –Maestrazgo UGGp-. Place: GotoMeeting platform virtual session. December 2, 2020.

## Geoconservation

- World Environment Day celebration. 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2020. Maestrazgo UGGp celebrated World Environment Day on June 5, with the aim of sensitizing the population in relation to environmental issues.



- World International Mountain Day 2020 celebration.



- Works for the inventory and new project related with Art of Dry Stone walling, knowledge and techniques. Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
- Despite the circumstances imposed by the Covid-19 health crisis and the limitation of movements for people, the Maestrazgo UGGP held a new edition of the EGN Week in 2020 with the aim of promoting and disseminate its geological, paleontological, historical, cultural and natural heritage. Between May 22th-29th, a series of speech, virtual exhibitions and competitions were scheduled, among many other activities. The Maestrazgo EGN week promoted innovative and demonstrative activities and experiences with the aim of contributing to social revitalization, economic activation and improvement of the territory based on the important value of the Geopark.





### Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Training Course: "Management, Promotion and Dissemination of the Maestrazgo UGGp". 28<sup>th</sup> October-24<sup>th</sup> November. Online course Financed by the Aids of the Territorial Cohesion Fund annuity 2020 that was attended by 24 attendees. Forced by the circumstances imposed by the Covid-19 health crisis as well as to avoid the mobility and face-to-face meeting of the participants, the course was carried out entirely online.



- Solidarity running race in favor of the International Red Cross. [www.maestrail.com](http://www.maestrail.com)



- Seven training videos on new Youtube channel:  
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiBOstGih6x261BisnHCRwQ>

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

- Call for the Digital Edition of the IX *What is a geopark for you?* Activity, aimed at schoolchildren between 3 and 14 years old with the aim of spreading the values of the Geopark. The 2020 edition was developed entirely online. The drawings that obtained the highest number of “likes” or “likes” were those highlighted with a prize.



- ENGIE Project “Empowering girls to become the geoscientists of tomorrow”. The Maestrazgo UGGp, in coordination with Local Schools, adapted a didactic experience inside the ENGIE project framework to work the concept of time in Geology through the main milestones in the history of Life on Earth working with examples from the territory close to schoolchildren. The didactic experience was developed November 27<sup>th</sup>, to celebrate EU Investigators' Night.



- Development of the Interactive game "*The treasures of the Maestrazgo Geopark*" through an online platform compatible with android designed in particular for third cycle primary school and early secondary school students.



- International Day for Disaster Reduction. The Maestrazgo Geopark, contributes with this video to the day of October 13 in which the International Day for Disaster Reduction is celebrated, which in this case aims to minimize the economic impacts, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Available at: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K\\_UU-CFSVHQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K_UU-CFSVHQ)
- Collaboration Day on Disaster Risk Reduction 2020 “Parco regionale delle Alpi Apuane Apuan Alps UNESCO Global Geopark”.  
<https://en.unesco.org/commemorations/disasterreductionday>

### Strategic partnership

- Strategic partnership with “Diputación Provincial de Teruel” a territorial public corporation whose function is to manage the economic-administrative interests of the province of Teruel.

### Promotional activities

- Participation in the Spanish Geoparks Magazine, FITUR 2020. The contents of the magazine are available through the portal of the Spanish Geoparks Forum: <http://geoparques.eu/documentos-ap/paginas/9WTURX7T23AXHKHG1RJW.pdf>



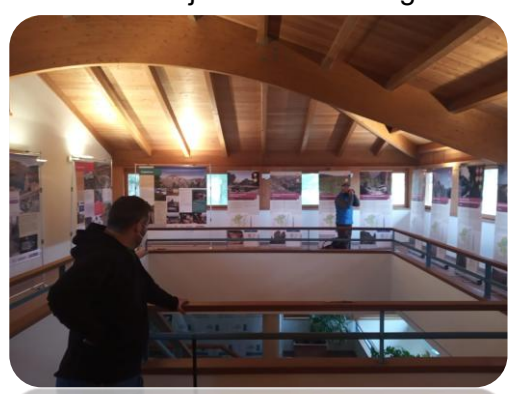
- Creation of the Maestrazgo UGGp Newsletter.



- New promotional material Maestrazgo UGGp.



- Creation and design of a new traveling exhibition on the Maestrazgo Geopark in collaboration with the Fundación Conjunto Paleontológico de Teruel-Dinópolis.



- Broadcasting "Universal Maestrazgo" in the Aragón TV program "Objetivo" July 27th by Aragón TV. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c-7M75hGOI4>



- Creation of the Youtube channel of the Maestrazgo Cultural Park (Maestrazgo Geopark).

CONFERENCIAS

XV Semana de los Geoparques Europeos - Conferencias en , Web / streaming

Lugar:  
Web / streaming.

Fecha:  
Del 22 al 29 de Mayo de 2020

Precio:  
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Valoración usuari@s:  
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Ver evento OnLine 



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