

GGN/EGN - Geopark Annual Report 2022

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network:

TUSCAN MINING PARK UGG, ITALY, EUROPEAN GEOPARKS NETWORK

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2010/2022



GeoMet – Museo della Geodiversità e delle Miniere delle Colline Metallifere

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 9 staffs including 2 geoscientists (+ 4 geoscientists of University of Siena, + 7 responsables of the Gateways to the Park managed by municipalities of the Geopark)

Number of visitors: 80.214 (number of visitors who have visited museums, visitor centers and Gateways to the park); who took part in the excursions organized by the park and the events of music, theater and tasting of typical products).

Number of Geopark events: 85 (The events - festivals, guided tours, music, performing arts, tastings, conferences – are all organized in collaboration with the Municipalities and the operators of the Gateways to the Park).

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 47

Number of Geopark press release: 30

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2022

January / December Project “Gateways of the Park” - All the Gateways of the Park were opened offering museum services, educational workshops, cultural events, exhibitions and guided excursions.

January - December – Implementation of the Strategic Plan of the Val di Pecora River Contract with the Municipalities of Gavorrano, Follonica, Scarlino and Massa Marittima;

January - December – Enhancement of the Cornate and Fosini Regional Reserve within the territory of the Geopark through the creation of n. 5 educational videos on geological, mining, environmental and outdoor aspects:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=akNvXICkLBE&list=PLB3G7GrpHwX5VIVbzLXEcu23T3kwWv9j>

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March – Presentation of the documentary project “La Teleferica” in collaboration with the Municipalities of the Geopark
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y-yMOpqUX9k&list=PLB3G7GrpHwX6c4ee8jvjE6hzo-PCpoHln>

March – Presentation of n. 2 new videos of the I Canti della Terra project of the Festival delle Viole which unites the geological and natural landscape with ancient music:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQ6qRaE4_dk&list=PLB3G7GrpHwX4XQbAhpqHGXIqXCuqntl tk

April – Final conference Integrated Supply Chain Project for the enhancement of local products included in the GEOfood Project:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ILQbgdcHd-g&list=PLB3G7GrpHwX4rIQCCG091Yv4j7GdhZuxr>

May, June, July, August Organization of Festivals within geosites, sites of environmental value and countries of the geopark: Festival delle Viole; The Places of Time Festival, Nature Festival, Gray Cat Jazz Festival.

October - Participation and field trip organization of the Oreopithecus 150 International Conference organized by the Museum of Natural History, Geology and Paleontology - University of Florence

December – Inauguration of GeoMet – Museum of Geodiversity and Mines of the Metalliferous Hills

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

Participation in the Italy-China Forum within the UNESCO Geopark Network organized by the Italian Embassy in Beijing and the Beijing University of Geosciences

Improvement of the GEOfood Project and participation in international seminars

Participation in the 16th European Conference in the Val Sesia Val Grande Geopark

Management and Financial Status

The Park has an independent budget. The Park financial sources are mainly from Ministry of Environment. Annual Budget is approved by the Management Committee. The Gateways to the Park are managed by municipalities and they are funded by the Park.

Geoconservation

Control and monitoring of geosites related to the territory. Cleaning and arrangement of the paths.

Launch of the new mining site cataloging form with the Central Institute for Catalog and Documentation of the Ministry of Culture and the National Network of Museums and Mining Parks.

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

Agreement with the Natural Science Museum of Grosseto for activities related to the biodiversity of the Geopark and Citizen Science

Launch of the BIOTA scientific project for the study of the biodiversity of the Biancane geothermal geosite.

Conference to present the results of the Geopark's Green Economy Plan

Strategic partnership

River Contract (River Pecora) has been activated with a financing from the Tuscany Region in collaboration with the Municipalities of Gavorrano, Follonica and Scarlino and the Consorzio di Bonifica Toscana Costa (Bonification Consortium)

Agreement with the National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology to include the Geopark among the entities for earthquake risk control and educational activities to learn about earthquakes

Promotional activities

Collaboration with the Tour Operator of the Geopark for the creation of eco-sustainable packages.

Organization of new webinars to illustrate the new portal of the geopark's Tour Operator www.visitmaremma.net aimed at local economic operators

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