



1st UNESCO Global Geoparks Evaluators' Seminar

China University of Geosciences, Beijing, China

Monday, October 29, 2018

**Coordinators: Professor Jin Xiaochi, GGN Vice-President
Professor Zhang Jianping, UGGp Vice-Chairperson**

Chairs: Jin Xiaochi – Zhang Jianping

8.30-9:30 Opening Ceremony - Welcoming speeches by

- Liu Yuan, Inspector, National Forest and Grassland Administration, Ministry of Natural Resources
- Representative from the UNESCO Beijing Office
- Wang Hongbing, Chairman of China University of Geosciences, Beijing
- Nickolas Zouros, GGN President, Greece
- Guy Martini, UNESCO Global Geoparks Chairperson, France

Theme: UNESCO Global Geoparks Evaluation and Revalidation Procedures

09:30 - 10:15 UNESCO Global Geoparks – Statutes and Operational Guidelines – New procedures for Geopark Evaluators.

Nickolas Zouros, GGN President, UGG Council, Greece

10:15 – 10:30 Questions and answers

10:30 - 11:15 UNESCO Global Geoparks – Aspiring UNESCO Global Geoparks Evaluation Procedures and Report

Guy Martini, UGG Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, France

11:15 – 11:30 Questions and answers

11:30 - 12:15 UNESCO Global Geoparks – Revalidation procedures and Evaluator's Report

Ibrahim Komoo, GGN Vice-President, Malaysia

12 :15 – 12:30 Question and answers

12:30 – 13.30 Lunch

Chairs: Zhang Jianping – Ibrahim Komoo

13:30 - 14:05 UNESCO Global Geoparks – Geological Heritage: Assessment and Verification procedures

Jin Xiaochi, GGN Vice-President, P.R. China

14:05 – 14:15 Question and answers

14:15-14:50 UNESCO Global Geoparks – Evaluators Mission and Conduct Guidelines

Marie-Luise Frey, GGN ExB, Germany

14:50 – 15:00 Question and answers

15.00-15.35 Geopark Evaluator's security module

Guy Martini, UGG Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, France

15:35 – 15:45 Question and answers

15:45-16:15 Tea Break

**16:15-18:00 UNESCO Global Geoparks – Evaluation and Revalidation procedures
Strong points and Weaknesses – Case studies and Best practice to follow**

UGG Council - GGN ExB panel presentation and Discussion.

This section could develop and explain:

Territory definition,

Boundary problems

Geological heritage fundamental

Geopark management and management team

Geopark Visibility

Sale of geological material

Educational activities

Geotourism – Visitors security issues

Partnership and Sustainable development

Communications, International Cooperation and Networking

18:30-20:00 Dinner