

# GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2019

## 1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

**Geopark name, country, regional Network:** Yanqing UNESCO Global Geopark (China , APGN)

**Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation:** 2013/2017

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



China Geoparks Thematic Publicity Event – the Green Initiative of Geoparks Day

## 2. GEOPARK FIGURES

**Number of Geopark staffs:** 1407 staffs including 9 geoscientists

**Number of visitors:** 14.2 million tourists in 2019

**Number of Geopark events:** 25

China Geoparks Thematic Publicity Event, World Earth Day Activity, Summer Science Popularization Camping, the First “Yanqing Global Geopark Cup” Go Competition, Lantern Festival Cultural Experience Activity, 11<sup>th</sup> Beijing Dragon Boat Festival, the 9<sup>th</sup> Beijing International Cycling Tour Festival, Badaling Great Wall Cultural Festival, China Great Wall International Foto Week, Qianjiadian Forest Half – Marathon Activity and other activities.

**Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes:** 18

**Number of Geopark press release:** about 115

## 3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

### Major achievements in 2019

- Completed China Geoparks Thematic Publicity Event
- Completed Silicified Woods Conservation
- Completed geological hazard risk investigation in the Geopark

### Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Participation in the 6<sup>th</sup> APGN Conference (Lombok, Indonesia)
- Participation in 5th UNESCO International Training Course of Global Geopark (Beijing & Songshan, China)
- Participation in Annual Meeting of Chinese Global Geoparks (Dunhuang, China)

- Participation in Science Popularization Exchange Meeting of Chinese Global Geoparks (Danxiashan, China)
- Visited by Hong Kong, Zhangye, Arxan UGGp and Longyan, Xiangxi, Saudi Arabia Geopark, and shared the experiences on UGG application, building and promotion with them.
- Visited Arxan, Hong Kong UGGp and Longyan Geopark to learn from each other
- Provided an article entitled *China Geoparks Thematic Publicity Event Successfully Held in Yanqing, Beijing, China* on the GGN Newsletter

### **Management and Financial Status**

- Our Geopark is managed by Management Committee for Yanqing Global Geopark, the Administration for Yanqing Global Geopark, Area Management Sections
- The income and expenses stay balanced. Funds of the geopark mainly come from local governmental fiscal budgets, ticket and other business income. Expenses are mainly in geo-heritage protection and conservation, science popularization, staff salary, etc.

### **Geoconservation**

- Completed three silicified woods conservation (Q0055, Q0048 and the new excavation one)
- Covered with heat preservation and waterproof material of dinosaur footprints in winter;
- Compiled project book of the dinosaur footprints fossil protection

### **Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)**

- The 9<sup>th</sup> Beijing International Cycling Tour Festival to recommend the cycling route in geopark
- Carried out the geological survey in the Huangbaise village and Xishangou village with postgraduates from China University of Geosciences (Beijing)

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

- Silicified woods conservation on-site teaching to the college and middle school students
- Carried out the disaster risk reduction lectures in school and earthquake and fire escape drill
- Carried out the training for the staff of local tourism agencies and geopark tour guides

### **Strategic partnership**

- Carried out geoscience research with China University of Geosciences (Beijing) and Beijing Institute of Geology
- Cooperated with local tourism agencies to carry out geo-tourism activities;
- Other partnerships such as International Grape Exhibition Garden; Great Wall Iron Firework; Local Green Vegetables Base; Wild Duck Wetland etc.

### **Promotional activities**

- Participation in the meeting to make the presentation of Yanqing UGGp
- Filmed the Initiative video of "Establishing Geopark Day"
- Hosted the picture show to promote all Chinese Global Geoparks and partly National

## Geopark in 2019 World Horticultural Exhibition

- Released geopark news in newspaper, broadcasting, television and Internet

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