

GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2020

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 / -



Micro-adventure #1 in Beaujolais UGGP : the Mont Saint-Rigaud

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 4 staffs including 2 geoscientists

Number of visitors: Unknown

Number of Geopark events: 103 (3 held by the management body / 100 by cooperative organizations)

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 17 classes in total (8 classes of primary school / 8 classes of middle school / 1 classe of high school)

Number of Geopark press release: 137 (newspaper, TV and web)

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2020

- Creation of 15 micro-adventures during the summer 2020, to invite inhabitants to freely explore the Geopark during Covid times (each micro-adventure includes: a hike around a geosite, informations on the geological context, a visit of a local producer)

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Participation in the GGN Digital Forum #1 (November 2020)
- Participation in the EGN Digital Forum #1 and 2 (June, September 2020)
- Participation in the EGN Working Group on Education (digital meeting in September 2020 –

collaborating in EGN Magazine 18 article)

Management and Financial Status

- Replacement of the project manager on Education in March 2020
- Hosting 4 internship topics related to the Geopark (geosites descriptive sheets, links between natural sites and geology, delimitation of protection perimeter of geosites in land planning documents, ethnographic study on the appropriation of the label UGG)
- Recruiting of new staff in charge of scientific mediation (6 months contract following internship)

Geoconservation

- Acquisition of 2 quarries in the south of the territory by the municipality of Val d'Oingt
- Methodology for integrating the protection perimeters of geosites and landscapes in the land planning document

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Publication of a hiking book for the south of the territory (March 2020) including 12 half-day loops around important geosites
- Inauguration of Mont Saint Rigaud geosite (July 2020)
- Installation of 6 new Geopark totems
- Management of a working group on the development of geotourism in the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region

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

- Creation of podcasts on several geosites of the territory
- Training days for guides and partners of the territory on several topics (general geology, landscapes reading, links with soils or flora, built heritage, etc.)

Strategic partnership

- Participation in the network of touristic sites of Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region, September 2020
- Participation in French UNESCO Global Geoparks network General Assembly in November 2020

Promotional activities

- Intervention within the framework of a public forum for the creation of a Geopark in the department of Hérault (south of France)

4. CONTACTS

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