GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2021

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Hexigten UNESCO Global Geopark (China, APGN)
Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2005 / 2017

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

Handicrafts Competition

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 162 staffs including 7 geoscientists, 5 employee.
Number of visitors: 4.2 million
Number of Geopark events: 11

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 38
Number of Geopark press release: 27

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2021
- 3 new Infrastructure projects
  a. Ashihaty Stone Forest Exhibition Center  b. Xar Maroon Study-Tour Camp
  C. Pingdingshan Popular Science Field Trip Routes
- Collect and Submit the material for the fourth Revalidation
- Training English little tour guide 14 students.

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

Video conference with Mount Tai, Alxa and Hong Kong World Geopark.

Exchange visit with Alxa desert UGGp、Ningcheng National Geopark and Ximeng Geopark.

Management and Financial Status

Administration for Hexigten UNESCO Global Geopark has 5 departments and 23 staffs, with well financial situation. In 2021, 4 new employee has been transferred in to enrich management positions.

Geoconservation

Prohibited to carry out any illegal activities in the park in accordance with the regulations on the planning and protection of geoheritages.

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

In 2021, The Geopark Museum was open for free and scan the QR code to make reservations for visitors.

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

Cooperated with China University of Geosciences (Beijing), 4 scientific research works were ongoing:
1) "Study on the spatiotemporal relationship of Haolai river’s evolution"
2) Longpudu Study-Tour Handbook
3) Ophiolite and Plate tectonics leaflet
4) Field Guidebook on Mt. Pingdingshan

Strategic partnership

Established cooperative relations with 7 government departments, including the Ethnic and Religious Committee of Hexigten, the Office of Intangible Cultural Heritage, etc.

Collecting specimens for Ashihaty Exhibition Center from 20 UGGp in China.

Set up cooperative relationship local workroom.

Promotional activities

Update the signing system, include 160 interpretation panels, 14 traffic guide panels, 9 Outdoor Promotion Boards and 19 monitory points.

Completed the partnership agreement

Install a LED screen outside the museum to play popularization and promotion short videos circularly.

4. CONTACTS

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