1. IDENTITY

National Fora/Committee:
Name: Netherlands Forum for UNESCO Global Geoparks,
Country: the Netherlands,
Website: https://www.unesco.nl/nl/nederlands-forum-unesco-global-geoparks
Email: GGN-institutional member g.roelfs@dehondsrug.nl
Year of inscription: We started in 2014

2. MEMBERS

Chair: Independent chair: Harry van Zon, geopark@harryvanzon.nl
Members:
- Hondsrug UGG
- Gretha Roelfs; Forum-representative in EGN/GGN
- Netherlands National UNESCO Committee
- Jon Verriet, secretary Jverriet@unesco.nl
- TNO/Geological Survey Netherlands
- Michiel van der Meulen
- NBTC Holland Marketing
- Angélique Vermeulen
- Netherlands Cultural Heritage Agency
- Henk Alkema
- Royal Netherlands Geological Mining
- Jan Stafleu
- Association
- Independent expert
- Hugo Bouter (expertise: physical geography)
- Independent expert
- Hans Renes (expertise: social geography, landscape history)
- Independent expert
- Chair Harry van Zon, (expertise: public administration and physical geography)

Observers
- Flemish UNESCO Committee
- Robert Missotten
- LHP-HWRP committee
- Emilie Broek
3. ACTIVE APPLICATIONS

Active application in your country: none

Territories that you are advising:

- Schelde Delta, a cross-border initiative with Belgium.
  - Representatives: Walter Jonkers, w.jonkers@zeeland.nl; Gitte de Vries, gitte.devries@provincieantwerpen.be
  - Website: https://www.scheldedelta.eu/
  - Being advised since 2016

- Gooi en Vecht – Heuvelrug (before 2 separate initiatives)
  - Representative: Marc Hofstra, geoparkhgv@gmail.com
  - Website: https://www.geopark-heuvelrug.nl/
  - Being advised since 2016

- Peelhorst-Maasvallei
  - Representative: Marion van den Akker, marion.vandenakker@gemert-bakel.nl
  - Website: https://peelhorstenmaasvallei.nl/
  - Being advised since 2017

- Krijtland
  - Representatives: Jos Broers, JosBroers@eijsden-margraten.nl; Julie Starren-Stevens, JulieStarren@eijsden-margraten.nl
  - Website: not yet
  - Being advised since 2019

Schelde Delta might apply this year, although their progression is delayed because of the Covid-pandemic.
4. ACTIVITIES

All the mentioned activities have been digital meetings, due to the Covid-19 measurements

• 25-01-2021: Forum-meeting
  On the agenda:
  o Progression of geopark initiatives
  o Reflection on the consultations
  o Progress Hondsrug UGG
  o National Parks-policy
  o Green energy and spatial quality in geoparks
  o Organisational affairs, progress report
  o Nomination of a representative to the Youth Forum

• 23-03-2021: Virtual Field-Mission to Schelde Delta, in preparation of their application.

• 20-05-2021: Feedback on self-evaluation Schelde Delta

• 06-10-2021: Feedback on application-dossier Schelde Delta

• 14/17-10-2021: 2 Forum-members attend parts of the Hondsrug revalidation as observer

• 06-12-2021: Forum members attend the online partner-meeting Schelde Delta

• Ongoing: Different contacts (email, telephone) with initiatives and actors

• Ongoing: observing developments in National Parks-policy