

GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2021

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Papuk UNESCO Global Geopark, Croatia, European Geoparks Network

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2007 / 2019



5th EGN Digital Forum – Papuk Special Edition

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 24 staffs (22 permanent, 2 on contract) including 2 geoscientists (permanent)

Number of visitors: 64.290 visitors considering number of the sold tickets in the Jankovac valley. 6.955 visitors in the Campsite/Adventure Park “Duboka”. 1707 visitors in the visitor centre House of the Pannonian Sea. There are numerous entrances to the Geopark without tickets, estimated number of visitors is 120.000

Number of Geopark events: 29

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 36

Number of Geopark press release: 33

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2021

- because of COVID 19 pandemic, instead of normal (physical) EGN CC Meeting we organized 5th EGN Digital Forum – Papuk Special Edition

- improving guided programme "Rupko's geological school" adding two new interpretation panels

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- participation in GGN and EGN CC online meetings and contribution to EGN working groups
- organization of the EGN Digital Forum
- contributions to the EGN magazine - EGN Week activities/pictures
- participation in the GGN Film Festival

Management and Financial Status

- funding is secured by the Croatian Government, beside that there are our own income and funding through projects
- preparing activities for new Management plan (2022 - 2032) (stakeholder workshops, GIS zonal planning of Geopark/Nature Park area, education activities for employees ...)
- management structure is stable, increasing the number of permanent employees

Geoconservation

- regularly maintenance of some geosites was carried out by geopark rangers

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- we filmed 7 promotional videos presenting Geopark values as well as Geopark partners activities

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

- Rupko's geological school - developed new worksheets
- organization of workshops with local stakeholders in order to improve cooperation and give them a guidance how to become "Geopark partner"

Strategic partnership

- signed formal agreement with three new "Geopark partners" (local wine/honey producers)
- local touristic board "Golden Papuk", include municipalities of Velika, Kaptol and Brestovac

Promotional activities

- online promotional activities, social media promotion, communication on the project achievements
- several promotions on TV, Radio, in newspapers
- install six "Welcome panels" (billboards) at the six main entrances into the Geopark territory

4. CONTACTS

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