UNESCO Global Geopark Bergstrasse-Odenwald Germany

Event programme selection in the frame of the International Year of Sustainable Tourism 2017

(more events and information at www.geo-naturpark.de)

22. April 2017
Geoworkshop with the Geopark Rangers at WHS Messel Pit in the frame of the International Earth Day
Basalt, Tuff and more: with the Geopark Ranger to the volcano
Learn more about the hot rocks of volcanos and create your own volcano art piece
Location, time: Visitor Centre WHS Messel Pit, 14:00
Duration, target group: 2.5 hours, teenagers from 12 years on
Information ++49-6159-717590
Cooperation event with UNESCO WHS Messel Pit

23. May – 11. June 2017
European Geoparks Week
70 single events related to Earth history, nature, culture and traditions with individual programme leaflet
Information: ++49-6251-7079923

04. June 2017
Geoworkshop with the Geopark Rangers at WHS Messel Pit in the frame of the German World Heritage Day
A different view at Messel: With the Geopark Ranger into the rain forest
Hiking tour with deep insight into a 48 million years old rain forest
Location, time: Visitor Centre WHS Messel Pit, 14:00
Duration, target group: 2.5 hours, teenagers from 12 years on
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Cooperation event with UNESCO WHS Messel Pit

4. June 2017: World Heritage Day and Pentecost Festival in Lorsch and a special guest from Portugal
Nature beauties: Wild peonies, biodiversity, Earth history and nature tourism - Naturtejo
UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal. Besides that: an exciting presentation and small, eatable peonies…
Beautiful, traditional handicrafts: sheep wool felting peonies with the Geopark Rangers from Bergstrasse-Odenwald UNESCO Global Geopark
Location: World Heritage Site, besides the peony garden
Information: ++49-6251-7079923

5. June 2017: World Environment Day at UNESCO World Heritage Site Messel Pit with Naturtejo UNESCO Global Geopark:
“GEOCAKES” baking day: Ambassadors of ancient times are model for a special pastry from Naturtejo UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal. The cookies, which are shaped like trilobites (shaped like gigantic woodlouses) are a real favorite! During a workshop, you will experience, how the “GEOCAKES” experts from Naturtejo produce the trilobite cookies and other sweets, learn much more about the beautiful Earth history, nature and landscape of the Portuguese Geopark and about the activities of World Heritage Sites and Geoparks worldwide in the Visitor Centre of WHS Messel Pit. And of course, you are invited to participate in the process and you also can take delicious cookies back home. Information: ++49-6159-717590.

2. July 2017
Annual Geopark Day in the frame of the 1200 years anniversary of the Community of Mömlingen
Allday event programme with Geopark Rangers, cooperation partners and regional specialities
Location: Market place, community of Mömlingen
Information: ++49-6251-707990
Cooperation event with the local community of Mömlingen

27. August 2017
Geoworkshop with the Geopark Rangers at WHS Messel Pit – summer holiday programme
Primeval horse & co: Fossil discovery with the Geopark Ranger
The Messel fossils and production of „own individual fossils“
Location, time: Visitor Centre WHS Messel Pit, 14:00
Duration, target group: 2.5 hours, teenagers from 12 years on
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Cooperation event with UNESCO WHS Messel Pit

17. September 2017
National Day of the Geotope: Award “Geotope of the year 2017” in the UNESCO Global Geopark Bergstrasse-Odenwald
Celebration of the historical visitor mine “Marie” as extraordinary window into the regional Earth history with official ceremony and mine visit
Location, time: Weinheim-Hohensachsen, 14:00
Information: ++49-6251-7079923

24. September 2017
The sounding quarry – event concert in the abandoned quarry „Königswald“, Mömlingen
A journey through famous classical melodies with Symphony Orchestra and Soprano & Piano
Location: Abandoned quarry “Königswald“, Mömlingen
Information: ++49-6251-7079923
Cooperation event with the county of Miltenberg and the local community of Mömlingen

22. October 2017
Geoworkshop with the Geopark Rangers at WHS Messel Pit in the frame of the Day of the United Nations (24.10.)
Time and Messel worlds: With the Geopark Ranger through Earth history
Location, time: Visitor Centre WHS Messel Pit, 14:00
Duration, target group: 2.5 hours, teenagers from 12 years on
Information ++49-6159-717590
How old is our Earth, what can we learn in Messel about Earth history?
Cooperation event with UNESCO WHS Messel Pit