

European Geoparks Week 2008  
Report

Name of Geopark: **BEIGUA**  
**GEOPARK**.....  
Dates of geoparks week: **17th May – 8th June**.....  
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1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events held in geoparks week 19
- number of press releases announcing geoparks week events 5 (by newspapers and radio)
- number of printed copies for program flyer/brochure/posters 10.000
- total number of visitors/participants people > 3.000

2. Describe the Geoparks Week 2008:

During the Geoparks Week 2008 various events were organized :

- guided visits to discover the most interesting geological, geomorphological, floristic and wildlife sites in the Geopark
  - Sat 17<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12am : guided visit at Beuca Botanical Garden (Cogoleto)
  - Sun 18<sup>th</sup> May 9am – 4pm: guided walk discovering the geomorphological features of Beigua Geopark at Prariondo
  - Sun 25<sup>th</sup> May 9.30am – 4pm: Bird-watching activity at the Ornithological Center - Vaccà area, Arenzano
  - Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May 9am – 4pm: Guided walk to the geoarchaeological sites at Alpicella (Varazze);
  - Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> June 10am – 4pm: Guided walk at “Prariondo-Tobiera Laione Nature Trail”
  - Sun 8<sup>th</sup> June 10am – 4pm: Guided walk in “Gargassa Valley Geological Trail”
- sports activities
  - Sat 17<sup>th</sup> – Sun 18<sup>th</sup> May: 10am – 4pm: canyoning activities in Beigua Geopark streams, organized with the collaboration of the Italian Canyoning Association (A.I.C. – Associazione Italiana Canyoning)

- Sat 31<sup>st</sup> May – Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Jun – Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun: sports activities in the Municipalities of Arenzano, Cogoleto, Varazze (trekking, orienteering, nordic walking mountain-bike, volley, basketball, etc) organized with the collaboration of UISP Italy

- educational programs  
final events with all the classes joining the 2007-/2008 educational programs proposed by the Beigua Geopark staff
- exhibition  
temporary exhibition "*Fossil coral reefs in Ponte Prina Site*" in the Natural History Civic Museum of Genoa (from March 28<sup>th</sup> until June 30<sup>th</sup> 2008); the exhibition was organized in cooperation with the Environment and Earth Sciences Department of the University of Genoa
- visitor centres and info-points activities (Geoparks video-presentations)  
Promotional activities about Geoparks, EGN and GGN in the Visitors Centres and the Information Points of the Beigua Geopark; video-presentation "Discovering the European Geoparks Network and the UNESCO Global Geoparks Network" at the Geopark Corner in Beigua Park headquarters in Arenzano on 19<sup>th</sup> / 21<sup>st</sup> / 23<sup>rd</sup> May and 3<sup>rd</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30pm – 4pm
- environmental fair  
- Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May 9am – 19pm: promotional open-air stand of Beigua Park – Beigua Geopark within the annual event "Parks for the Public" in Genoa (Sestri Ponente), organized with the collaboration of the Regional Network of Protected Areas of Liguria

### 3. Photos:

