

EGN Week 2012

Name of Geopark: **Madonie Geopark**

Dates of geoparks week: 16th May 2012 – 17th June 2012

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Motto of geoparks week: **“Coming together is a beginning, staying together is progress... working together is success”**(Henry Ford).

Category	Date	Activity / Event
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1. Geo & Geo	-22/05	- Petralia Sottana, c.da Pomieri . "See the sky. Touch a tree. Feel the air. Find Yourself" . Guided Excursion along the trail with many "natural monuments" witnessed by huge centuries-old trees of different species (estimated age 600 years) as the oak Pomieri tree that has its roots in the land of the Numidian Flysch, develop a sturdy trunk about 7 feet in circumference and branches in the shape of a candelabrum holding up a crown with the projection surface of 450 square meters.
	- 25/05	- Petralia Soprana, Raffo. Fundamentals of geology and geomorphology, natural and anthropogenic evolving along the River Salso . Guided Excursion.
	-27/05	-Geraci Siculo. Geraci Siculo Landscape . Guided Geological Excursion.
	-28/05	-Caltavuturo. Caltavuturo. Model example for the promotion of geological heritage . Guided Excursion along the geological trail “Rocca di Sciara.
	-1/06	-Gratteri. Green design in Madonie . Guided Excursion
	-3/06	-Polizzi Generosa. Madonie Ecomaratona, Abies Walking Trail and non-competitive walking .
	- 4/06	-Petralia Soprana, Raffo. The salt roads . Guided excursion.
	- 5/06	-Castelbuono. Guides Excursion along the first Sicilian geological trail “Inghiottoio della Battaglietta – Portella Colla”
	-6/06	Castellana Sicula. Plasters of Madonie Geopark . Guides Excursion along the geological trail The Rocks and the water.
	- 7/06	Isnello. Piano Pomo. Guided Excursion
	-10/06	Isnello. Isnello in the of Madonie Geopark . A guided Excursion along the gorge of the River Isnello and the visit of the castle and the churches of the town in search of the origin of the rocks with which they were built.
2. Geo & Culture/Music/Literature/Arts	- 23/05	- Polizzi Generosa. “L’urtimu mierculu” (Slang form for: The Last Wednesday). On the seventh Wednesday after Easter, a long tangible and intangible tradition started in 1260 is celebrated: a long procession, involving a multitude of faithful, the blessing of the fields dry and hard, where you can see flaky clays (which turned in rocks 65-33 million years ago) that support the Polizzi formation (pack of rocks dating back 33 million to 23

	-26/05	million years ago) on which stands the town and, in the end, the Mass celebrated outdoors. - Geraci Siculo. Traces of transhumant shepherds in one of the most beautiful villages in Italy. Feast of transhumance.
3. Geo & Education	- 16/05	- Petralia Sottana. More measures to mitigate climate change we adopt more benefit we gain! Meeting with Local Authorities to discuss about climate change, good practices for energy saving, energy from renewable sources. It is organized with Legambiente (CRES Project – Kyoto Association with the support of Italian Ministry of Environment)
	-17/05	-Castellana Sicula. To consider the practice of resilience, with respect to the Earth, without further harming the ecosystem and the biosphere in which we live, by implementing, where possible, interventions to re-naturalization, energy efficiency and sustainability. Program for local schools to teach pupils about climate change and good practices to respect the Environment and the Nature. It is organized with Legambiente (CRES Project – Kyoto Association with the support of Italian Ministry of Environment)
	- 24/05	Collesano. European Day for Parks 2012. In search of the lost green environment in the School Gardens. To celebrate the conclusion of the environmental education project "In Search of the lost green environment. Growing up farming". Students present their work and show the great care they had for their "School Gardens".
	- 26/05	Petralia Sottana, Piano Farina. Orienteering to know and live the Madonie Geopark - VI Edition.
	-29/05	- Petralia Sottana. Adaptation measures to climate change - Make a Plan of Action for Sustainable Energy (PAES). Meeting with Local Authorities to discuss about measures for climate change, good practices and financial opportunities. It is organized with Legambiente (CRES Project – Kyoto Association with the support of Italian Ministry of Environment)
	30/05	-Petralia Sottana. Adaptation measures to climate change. How my school is and how it would be. Program for local schools to teach pupils about climate change and good practices for energy saving and energy from renewable sources in the school. It is organized with Legambiente (CRES Project – Kyoto Association with the support of Italian Ministry of Environment)
	16/06 17/06	-Petralia Sottana. Study Days "Geological heritage, from knowledge to promotion of national geological sites"
4. Geo & EGN/GGN	-31/05	- Scillato. Caltavuturo. Know each other better: Rocca di Cerere Geopark visits Madonie Geopark to learn about new geo-cultural itineraries.
	-9/06	- Rocca di Cerere Geopark, Quality ad Cultural Rural District, Sustainable Tourism: a neighbour rich of geological and cultural treasures