

European Geoparks Week 2013

Report

Name of Geopark: **Bakony–Balaton Geopark**

Dates of EGN week: 18 May – 2 June 2013.

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Special motto of geoparks week: —

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during geoparks week 5
- number of press releases announcing geoparks week events cca. 40
- number of printed copies for program flyer/brochure/posters —
- number of printed articles on EGN week activities 3
- total number of visitors/participants cca 1000

2. Highlight most successful activities of your Geoparks Week 2012:

The most successful activities of the European Geoparks Week were the programmes associated with the 'Geosite of the Year in Bakony–Balaton Geopark', which is in 2013 the Úrkút Palaeokarst Nature Conservation Area. The EGN Week included a guided geological and botanical hiking tour in the vicinity of this geosite. The tour was followed by the opening of the photo exhibition 'Cultural Heritage of the Bakony–Balaton Geopark' in the Cultural Centre of the village. The village day with about 150 participants was held in the premises of the Úrkút Palaeokarst Nature Conservation Area as part of the EGN Week. Locals celebrated the EGN Week and especially the fact that the one time quarry, today a protected geological site on the edge of the village is now 'on the map' of the European Geoparks and had received the title 'Geosite of the Year' in the geopark.