

European Geoparks Week 2013

Report

Name of Geopark: **Madonie Geopark**

Dates of EGN week: 24 May - 9 June

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Special motto of geoparks week: "Once again ... in Geo-Cooperation – One of the first conditions of happiness is that the link between Man and Nature shall not be broken"

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during geoparks week	18
- number of press releases announcing geoparks week events	40
- number of printed copies for program flyer/brochure/posters	500
- number of printed articles on EGN week activities	35
- total number of visitors/participants	3000

2. Highlight most successful activities of your Geoparks Week 2013:

Madonie Geopark Week involved different geosites, natural environments and supporters. Held from 24 May (the European Day of Parks - My Park. My Passion. My Story) to 9 June. It was a success, not only for participants of all ages but also of the holistic approach and the deep interest that the geological history of the Madonie aroused in the public. Within the framework of the International Year of Water Cooperation 2013, emphasis was given to raise awareness on the potential and challenges for water cooperation, facilitate dialogue among actors, and promote innovative solutions for nurturing water cooperation. The event on May the 25th highlighted best practices and an exhibition made by pupils. Once again there was an interesting exchange of visits with the Rocca di Cerere Geopark. Local newspapers, web sites and regional TV on the day by day basis gave info of all events.