

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Adamello Brenta UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 20 – 27 July

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 8
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 9000
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2
- total number of visitors/participants: 234
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The most successful activity was the one included in the International Year for Glacier Preservation. In fact, it was organized in collaboration with many stakeholders, such as the Glaciological Commission of the Mountaineering Society of Trentino, the organizing committee of the Water Festival, mountain guides, a theatre company, and some members of the press.

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Report

Name of Geopark: Apuan Alps UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 18 May – 06 June 2024

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Together for Nature – 40 Years of the Park

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1 (hybrid modality)
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 10
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: approximately 100
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: approximately 10
- total number of visitors/participants: approximately 500
- total number of participants of the **online** events: approximately 10

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Inauguration of the “Bees Way” at the (Geo)Park Farm in Bosa di Careggine (22 May)

A day dedicated to the world of bees, with conferences on the topics of wild pollinators and biodiversity, and the inauguration of the “Bees Way” trail, created thanks to funding from the Interreg-Marittimo CamBioVia-Pro project. The event attracted around 50 participants: beekeepers, professors and students from local universities and representatives from the Regional government.

“Health comes by walking...” a trail hike on the Gothic Line of Mount Folgorito (2 June)

An initiative conceived by the Italian League for the Fight against Cancer and organized with the Apuan Alps UGGp and the Italian Alpine Club Section of Massa, under the patronage of the Province of Massa-Carrara and the municipality of Massa. It had the aim of raising awareness of the importance of walking in the mountains, including as prevention against oncological diseases. The event attracted around 200 participants.

All the EGN week activities and events have also been promoted as part of the 40th anniversary celebrations of the Apuan Alps Regional Park.

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Name of Geopark: Arouca UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal

Dates of EGN Week: 19th May to 8th June

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 19
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 3
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 5
- total number of visitors/participants: 6322
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Opening of the exhibition “Iter Hominis: An Illustrated Route”, on view from 23 May to 27 July at the Arouca Municipal Museum.

Awards Ceremony of the Educational Project Illustrate Your School 'Little Farmers of the Vale de Mansores.

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Name of Geopark: Aspromonte UNESCO Global Geopark Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 9-10-11 May and 24 May 2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: nnn
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: nnn
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 200
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 12
- total number of visitors/participants: 350
- total number of participants of the **online** events: nnn

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

BIODIVERSA 2025 -Murge Geopark-

<https://www.parcoaltamurgia.it/i-geoparchi-mondiali-unesco-protagonisti-biodiversa-2025>

Total number of visitors: 200

May 23–24 – International Day for Biological Diversity

As part of the national event RiservAmica 2025, a special opening of the “Alto Aspromonte” State Forest was organized. This forest is normally closed to the public, as it is a strictly protected area. The event – coordinated by the Reggio Calabria branch of the Carabinieri Biodiversity Unit in collaboration with the Aspromonte Geopark – included free access to the forest, a visit to the ancient beech forest of Valle Infernale (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), the inauguration of a mountain cross at 1,440 m, and a short hike to the Forgiarelle waterfalls and the park’s shear zone (mylonites). Total number of visitors/participants: 150

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Report

Name of Geopark: Azores UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal

Dates of EGN Week: 24th May to 8th June, 2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Pieces of Sea and Environment (*Pedaços de Mar e Ambiente*)

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 75
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 16
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 4
- total number of visitors/participants: 2587
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 14

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

In 2025, the Azores UNESCO Global Geopark, in partnership with nine entities, celebrated EGN Week across all nine islands with the campaign “Pieces of Sea and Environment.” The initiative highlighted UNESCO Global Geoparks through science communication activities aimed at schools and the general public. Highlights included: the presentation *Between Sea and Volcanoes – The Importance of Abiotic Nature*, held in a public bookstore and focused on geoconservation and sustainable use of the geological heritage; the Drawing Contest *Geological Heritage in the Azores Geopark*, launched online to promote knowledge, identification, and preservation of local geological heritage; and diverse activities promoted in all Geopark InfoPoints. By fostering debate, reflection, and participation, the campaign strengthened the sense of belonging to the territory, raised awareness of the value of its geological assets, and inspired their conservation, reinforcing that only what is known can be truly valued.

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Name of Geopark:Bakony–Balaton UNESCO Global Geopark, Hungary

Dates of EGN Week: 15 May–8 June 2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 0
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 245
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 107

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The most popular activity during this year's European Geoparks Week was the premiere of a documentary entitled "Hot Topics, Ice Ages - Climate Change and History", directed by László Bárány. The screening was part of the accompanying programme of the 10th Anniversary International Nature Photography and Film Festival in Veszprém, the largest town in Bakony–Balaton UNESCO Global Geopark, Hungary. After the screening, two members of our geopark organization took part in an hour-long panel discussion on the film's theme: "Thousands of publications, studies, articles, and films have been produced on climate change. We don't want to echo these in our film. We talk about how climate change has shaped the history of our planet and humanity in the past. From the Bakony Hills across the seas to the Sahara, a Hungarian climate researcher, a Cretan geologist and an archaeologist and an American astronaut guide us on our journey. To learn about the history of the Earth and humanity, shaped by hot periods and ice ages."

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Name of Geopark:Basque Coast UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week:2025/05/23-2025/06/1

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....10
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:20
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....10
- total number of visitors/participants:.....400
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Geotalks was one of the most important events of Geoparks Week. Now in its sixth edition, the event, which combines science, art, and communication, is already well-established and attracts an ever-increasing audience. The biologist Miguel Delibes was the focus of this edition. He spoke with the Geopark's Scientific Director, Asier Hilario, at the Aita Mari Theatre in Zumaia. Under the theme "Thanks to Life," the prestigious biologist and the Scientific Director discussed the close relationship between nature and humankind. The event will also have had literary and artistic content, with actor Kandido Uranga reading selected texts and poems for the occasion. The capacity of the room was nearly complete to see the event.

<https://geoparkea.eus/es/noticias/semana-geoparques-europeos-programa-geoparkea>

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/geoparkea/albums/72177720326492796/with/54555937714>

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Name of Geopark:Beaujolais UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week: 15th May – 8th June

Contact person/e-mail: Floriane Hélou-Frugier / fhfrugier@pays-beaujolais.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....52 events (8 geoevents and 44 activities during the geofestival)
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: ... one press kit for the geofestival and one press release for the Geoevents
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 10000 flyers for the geofestival and 5000 for the Geoevents / 350 posters of each
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:..... 9 articles in the written press
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 1800
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

First edition of the Geofestival

During the EGN week, the Beaujolais Geopark as organized its first Geofestival from 23 to 25 May in 11 communes of the Geopark. Over 3 days, the public was able to discover the geopark and the geology of the region through a wide range of activities for young and old, shows, etc. Our wish is to introduce people to the Geopark from a perspective other than the scientific one, and to approach geology through the arts and culture. We were delighted to welcome more than 1,600 participants and 44 different events across the region. The event was a great way of highlighting the Geopark and its assets. Our aim is to hold the Geofestival every two years and make it a not-to-be-missed event in the Beaujolais region.

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Name of Geopark:Beigua UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week:25 May – 8 June 2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any): no motto

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:8
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:5
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:8.500 copies
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:1
- total number of visitors/participants:175 participants
- total number of participants of the **online** events:0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

“ALTA VIA TRAIL IN BLOSSOM” To celebrate **European Day of Parks** together, we enjoyed our favorite spring hike: an explosion of colors and scents welcomed hikers along one of the most scenic stretches of the *Alta Via dei Monti Liguri*, a spectacle that fascinated us with its ever-changing shades and views. Accompanied by Stefano Marsili, Park guide and expert botanist, we immersed ourselves in a feast of colors and fragrances. Cogoleto Municipality

“GEOTREKKING: HIDDEN TREURES IN GARGASSA’S VALLEY” Among the geosites of the Beigua Park, one of the most interesting is the Val Gargassa, deeply shaped by the force of water. Together with the geologist, we ventured into the hidden corners of the valley, moving away from the classic trails and observing its rocks and landforms. Municipality of Rossiglione

“FOREST BATHING: A REGENERATING IMMERSION IN NATURE”

Beigua Geopark is a true paradise for nature and wellness lovers. Among its ancient woods, along trails immerse in greenery and surrounded by the silence of nature, it was possible to experience Forest Bathing, a Japanese practice that promote relaxation and deep contact with the natural environment. It was not just a walk in the forest, but a real wellness ritual that stimulated the senses and fostered inner calm. It was not only a walk in the company of the Guide, but also a sensory journey that helped us recharge our energy and reconnect with nature. Municipality of Urbe

“CAMPO LIGURE: A TREASURE TO DISCOVER” Campo Ligure, listed among the “Most Beautiful Villages in Italy,” proved to be a real treasure to discover. We began our visit in the fresh and bucolic setting of the Pratorondanino Botanical Garden, renowned for its botanical features. At the end of the guided tour, we enjoyed our packed lunch in the shade of the garden’s plants. After lunch, we moved by car to the village of Campo Ligure, where we strolled through the ancient streets of the historic center and had the opportunity to enjoy an interesting “behind the scenes” experience at the Filigree Museum, which houses one of the richest collections of filigree pieces in the world. We then watched the FiligranArt craftsman at work in his workshop, and we concluded the day with a sweet tasting of the “Gustosi per Natura” products from Pasticci’Amo Bistrot. Campo Ligure Municipality

GUIDED TOURS OF TIGLIETO ABBEY: 2 appointments with the Guides for a visit to the Church, the Armarium, the Chapter House and the cloister of the Cistercian Abbey S. Maria alla Croce di Tiglieto. Tiglieto Municipality

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Report

Name of Geopark:Bergstrasse-Odenwald UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany

Dates of EGN Week: May 18 – June 1

Contact person/e-mail:Susanne Brendle/s.brendle@geo-naturpark.de

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 44
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 8
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:
special newsletter online/subscribers 1.200
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:..... 35
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 12.000
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

May 18: International museum day in Heidelberg (> 1000 visitors),
On Sunday, May 18, International Museum Day, the Institute of Geosciences at Heidelberg University opened its doors to inspire teenagers and young adults with the theory and practice of geosciences.

May 25: Family Day at the Sea of Rocks (> 500 visitors),
The Sea of Rocks Information Centre organized a family day with numerous activities. The colourful program invites to do handicrafts, play games and solve puzzles. Our Geopark rangers were also on site.

June 1: UNESCO WHS & Geopark Day (>2000 visitors),
Once again this year, together with the UNESCO World Heritage Site Lorsch Monastery, the UNESCO Global Geopark invited to an extensive programme in the centre of Lorsch. The UNESCO Global Geopark also showed the exhibition "10 Years UNESCO Global Geopark", which links local activities with the international goals of the worldwide Geopark family. Among those attending the ceremony marking the 10th anniversary of UNESCO were: Harald Herrmann, Chairman of the National Committee of UNESCO Global Geoparks and Michael Ruhl, State Secretary in the Hessian Ministry of Agriculture and Environment, Viticulture, Forestry, Hunting, and Home Affairs.

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Report

Name of Geopark: Biokovo-Imotski Lakes UNESCO Global Geopark, Croatia

Dates of EGN Week: from May 23 to May 25, 2025.

Contact person/e-mail: Ivana Ćapin / ivana.capin01@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): 1st FESTIVAL OF CROATIAN UNESCO GEOPARKS
ENTITLED "MEETING ON THE GREEN ISLAND OF THE PANNONIAN SEA"

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 3
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 7
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 100
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2
- total number of visitors/participants: 450-500
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Geopark Biokovo-Imotski Lakes presented at the First Festival of Croatian UNESCO Geoparks

The 1st Festival of Croatian UNESCO Geoparks, entitled "Meeting on the Green Island of the Pannonian Sea," was held in the Papuk UNESCO Geopark from May 23 to 25. The host and organizer of this festival, which showcased all three Croatian UNESCO Geoparks, was our first Croatian UNESCO Geopark, Papuk.

As part of the rich festival program, the Expert Conference "Geoparks for the Future of Local Communities" was held at the Papuk Geopark Visitor Center - "House of the Pannonian Sea". In a series of interesting expert lectures, we presented the incredible diversity and unique heritage of our Geopark, as well as activities and plans for the future, through an interesting lecture and video presentation.

We also participated in the event "Let's Preserve the Customs of Our Homeland" which promotes the local products fair - "The Longest Table in Croatia", where we presented local products and the gastronomy of our Geopark.

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Report

Name of Geopark: Black Country UNESCO Global Geopark, United Kingdom

Dates of EGN Week:

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: many
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 250
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 70

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

EGN week events included walks and talks at geosites, online presentations and geoconservation activities open to the public to observe and engage with and museum tours at the geopark headquarters. Highlights were an event at the 'Wildside Centre' in the Wightwick Wedge and Smestow Valley Geosite which included a host of presentations on the geology, history and biodiversity with the purpose of producing teaching resources for the geosite. One of the teachers attending emailed to say that '*I thought it was a really interesting day (still mind-blown by the Scottish rock boulders in Wolverhampton!) and the atmosphere was extremely positive It was a lovely, friendly, enthusiastic bunch of teachers and a really enjoyable way to end the half-term*' Shortly afterwards a geoconservation event in the Wightwick Manor part of the geosite with local community volunteers of the Black Country Geological Society, demonstrated rock cleaning techniques and discussed the production of interpretive materials for the Pleistocene glacial erratics there.

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Report

Name of Geopark: Český ráj UNESCO Global Geopark, The Czech Republic

Dates of EGN Week: 2nd – 8th June 2025 – Geological excursion in search of precious stones at Kozákov, Visitors days at Paleopark Balka in Nová Paka

Contact person/e-mail: Jana Lebedová, geopark@geoparkceskyraj.cz

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): "In the framework of European Geoparks Week"

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 50
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 120
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 25

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Paleopark Balka is an entertaining and educational project that includes an educational trail about the geological history of the local landscape and the UNESCO Global Geopark Bohemian Paradise, of which Nová Paka is an integral part. Hugo the Molokojster will guide you along the trail from the Treasure Chamber of Precious Stones to the Paleopark in Balka, which was built on the site of a famous fossil and carnelian deposit. You can still find plenty of these in the area around the park. Inside, you can try out various geology-themed activities, and lectures and various occasional events are also held here.

Geological excursion in search of precious stones at Kozákov - during the excursion, participants learned about volcanism, sandstone phenomena, and precious stones.

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Report

Name of Geopark: Bükk Region UNESCO Global Geopark, Hungary

Dates of EGN Week: 24.05.2025-01.06.2025.

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 50
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 5

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

“Bükki rétegek – Tájak, történetek, geológia” conference was the principal event organised by the Bükk Region UGGp during EGN Week 2025. Many of the 109 geopark municipalities presented their own practices – each presentation highlighting local challenges and opportunities. Folk customs, craftsmanship, tradition preservation, identity building, community tourism, and creative self-expression all emerged as potential breakthrough points.

During the day, we heard about geo-tour guide training (Bakony–Balaton UGGp), the living traditions of a Palóc village (Mikófalva), revived history (Tardona), community faces (Noszvaj), a living carnival custom (the "Remélés" of Novaj), and local legends (Miskolc). The revival of "rece" lacemaking in Szomolya served as an exemplary cultural and community initiative, while Kisgyőr showed the way with its folk art that is alive in everyday life.

The conference ended with Hangony's presentation was both humorous and self-reflective – a municipality that bravely faces its own challenges and builds community with playful creativity.

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Name of Geopark: Burren and Cliffs of Moher UNESCO Global Geopark, Ireland.

Dates of EGN Week: 24th-25th/05/2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Bringing local research to the local community

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 50
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2
- total number of visitors/participants: 50
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

We have focussed on one weekend event, our Geopark Academy. We invite guest speakers on all aspects of recent research in the Geopark area for a day-long conference followed by a field trip in the Geopark. We had speakers from the National Parks and Wildlife Service, University of Galway, local schools, local musician and local people speaking about traditional Irish placenames in the Geopark as well as a study of birds in the area.

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Report

Name of Geopark:Buzău Land UNESCO Global Geopark, Romania

Dates of EGN Week: 15 May – 8 June 2025

Contact person/e-mail:Alice Popa / alice.popa@tinutulbuzaului.org

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: none
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: none
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: none
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: none
- total number of visitors/participants: 140
- total number of participants of the **online** events: none

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

During this year's EGN Week, Buzău Land UNESCO Global Geopark hosted a series of activities aimed at students, visitors, local communities, and volunteers from the business sector. These initiatives were focused on raising awareness of the Geopark's rich natural and cultural heritage, enhancing its educational and visitor infrastructure, and fostering collaboration with national and local partners through volunteer engagement.

Highlights included hands-on educational workshops exploring geological heritage and cultural traditions, outdoor experiences where Geopark partners joined forces to help mark a new hiking trail, and the development of a new visitor center dedicated to geological history. The events were organised and co-organized by the Buzău Land UGGp team in partnership with local schools, NGOs, and businesses, drawing the participation of 140 attendees.

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Report

Name of Geopark: Cabo de Gata-Níjar UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: May 31th- June 15th

Contact person/e-mail: Salvador Parra / salvador.parra@juntadeandalucia.es

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 10
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: Not printed
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 120
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The 2025 European geoparks week at Cabo de Gata-Níjar UNESCO Global Geopark focused on nature, with an unforgettable evening held at Playa de los Genoveses. A total of 20 participants took part in this night-time experience, where scientific outreach and connection with nature were at the heart of the event. The activity began with a guided walk to explore the surroundings and learn about the area's geology and biodiversity. As night fell, attendees enjoyed an astronomical observation under one of the clearest skies in Europe. With the help of telescopes and expert explanations, they identified constellations, planets, and other celestial bodies, while highlighting the importance of preserving the night sky. This initiative combined science, education, and sustainable tourism, reinforcing the Geopark's commitment to sharing and valuing its natural and cultural heritage. The evening concluded with a short open discussion and a shared eagerness for future experiences.

Snorkelling, geobotanical routes, georoutes, kayaking, geoquiz and many more were also part of the week.

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Name of Geopark: Cabo Ortegal UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: 24/05/2025 – 01/06/2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 48
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 4
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:
- total number of visitors/participants: 1.171
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 521

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The IX European Geoparks Week at Cabo Ortegal Geopark offered over 40 free activities, attracting more than 1.000 participants. The program included boat tours to Vixía Herbeira and Cabo Ortegal, interpretive hiking in iconic spots like Pico da Vela or the cliffs of Loiba, horseback riding, and via ferrata adventures. Children enjoyed “geo-workshops” and family-friendly exploration routes. Guided visits to places like San Andrés de Teixido and the Oceano Surf Museum added cultural depth. Notable scientific outreach featured online talks by geologists José Ignacio Gil (University of the Basque Country) and Luis Somoza (IGME-CSIC). The event highlighted the geopark’s geological value and strengthened ties between institutions, local businesses, and the community. Supported by the Deputación da Coruña, the initiative celebrated two years since Cabo Ortegal’s UNESCO designation and emphasized sustainable, educational tourism. Local companies were also publicly recognized for their involvement at the final event for the analysis of results, with institutional and business presence.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Catalunya Central UNESCO Global Geopark, Catalonia (Spain)

Dates of EGN Week: 24th of May to 8nd of June

Contact person/e-mail: ferran@geoparc.cat

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Live, explore, taste 40 million years of history

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 23
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 5
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 2
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 525 (exhibitions visitors not included)
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The Geoparks Week 2025 has been a highly successful series of events. We organized engaging workshops for children and families, literary gatherings, storytelling sessions at public libraries, and some field excursions that drew significant participation. The most successful events have been excursions such as exploring the "Colònia Santa Maria" mining heritage, the natural dye workshop at the Prehistoric Park of the "Coves del Toll", and the excursion to explore the urban geology from "El Pont de Vilomara". These activities attracted large crowds and widespread interest, highlighting the diverse, geological, natural and cultural heritage of our Geopark. Another highlight of the Week, was the public presentation on the research project carried out in the Geopark and led by the University of Barcelona and the University of Granada, focused on the safe underground storage of CO₂ and green hydrogen to the neighbours and scholars of the area.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Causses du Quercy UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week:23/05/2025 to 01/06/2025

Contact person/e-mail:Vincent BIOT, vbiot@parc-causses-du-quercy.org

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....6
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:12
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:6000
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....7
- total number of visitors/participants:.....420
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....-

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The grazing festival

The village of Crégols moved to the rhythms of the flocks of ewes. This event, organised by the Geopark in partnership with the Crégols-Lugagnac pastoral land association and the "Les Caussignols" breeders' association, brought residents together around the practice of grazing. This method makes it possible to maintain plots of land while providing a richer diet for the animals, by letting the cattle take their own feed.

Throughout the day, residents discovered pastoralism through a variety of educational activities. They took a walk with the ewes before watching demonstrations of wool shearing. The communal oven was fired up for the occasion. There were also activities for young and old to help them understand the role of animals in preserving biodiversity. The film "éleveurs d'horizons" (breeders from all horizons), directed by Thomas Bersoza, was shown in the village church.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Chablais UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week: 24/05 – 08/06

Contact person/e-mail: tourismegeoparc@siac-chablais.fr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

International Year for the Preservation of Glaciers: The Glacial Heritage of the Chablais

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 18
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 2100
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 12
- total number of visitors/participants: 2000
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 41 000

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Our online presence this year was particularly successful with strong social media campaigns on Facebook and Instagram and super promotion efforts by our tourist offices, notably Destination Leman. The whole week was a real success with a strong participation of local inhabitants, equally represented by families, couples and individuals. The feedback from participants highlights that the Geopark offers high quality, innovative events.

There was overwhelming positive feedback concerning the new event proposed at a partner site, the Avully Castle.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Chelmos-Vouraikos UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week: 7–8 June 2025

Contact person/e-mail: Iliopoulos George, iliopoulosg@upatras.gr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Come to Chelmos Mt: Park Edition

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 6
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 100
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

In the frame of the European Geoparks Week a set of activities was organized during the popular Chelmos Mountain Festival when thousands of visitors visited in the area of the Geopark. On Saturday, June 7 a bicycle ride entitled "I see the town differently" and a "Town Geology Tour on foot" were organized aiming to an experiential tour of the Kalavryta town's geology. On Sunday, June 8, at the Kalavryta Information Center, an activity entitled "Bring me your rock item to tell you what it is", was held where participants could learn more about their rock made everyday item they brought. Additionally, at the Kalavryta Ski Center, a workshop entitled "Bio-Geodiversity Lab" was held, which included an interactive exhibition of animals, plants, rocks and fossils from the Geopark area, and experiments concerning our natural environment. Informational material regarding the EGN was available to all participants. Activities included also participation in recycling efforts.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Copper Coast UNESCO Global Geopark, Ireland

Dates of EGN Week: 25 May to 8th June

Contact person/e-mail: Robbie Galvin/robbie@coppercoastgeopark.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 3
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 100+
- total number of participants of the **online** events: n/a

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

We hosted a talk from a Geophysicist outlining new research which was published recently that used data from a seismograph located in our Visitor centre to track fin whales off the coast. This was very innovative research and well received.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Courelo Mountains UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: 23rd May - 8th June

Contact person/e-mail: Roi Sampedro / xeoparquemontanasdocourel@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 5
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 280
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

We have to specially highlight “Xeopícaros”, our first activity of this year’s EGN Week because of the number of participants. This activity is intended to gather the whole educative community of our Geopark, which is a real challenge for our logistic capacity. This year more than 200 kids from 3 schools and a high school attended to different activities depending on their ages, including a music show based on nature sounds, storytelling on biodiversity, geology workshops or a route visiting local historical heritage. Most of the other activities, open to general public, attracted an interest above the number of available places, quite few (10-15) in some of them as they took place in sensitive environments, like caves and ravines, where we must limit the impact.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Cuilcagh Lakelands UNESCO Global Geopark, UK & Ireland

Dates of EGN Week: 25 May – 8 June 2025

Contact person/e-mail:martina.oneill@fermanaghomagh.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 6
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1

- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 131
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

In collaboration with our partners we held a diverse array of public and schools engagement events to celebrate European Geoparks Week 2025. Most notably were our schools educational programmes where we delivered our new geoheritage focused educational offering to young people, from Counties Cavan and Fermanagh, whom learned about the unique geological heritage of not only their own Geopark but others across the UK and Ireland.

Public events held in partnership with our Geopark Ambassadors, such as, outdoor Bushcraft, Haiku Poetry Walk and heritage walking tours at our unique Geosites were also very well attended, enabling attendees to immerse themselves and learn more about the unique landscapes and heritage of the Geopark.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Geopark De Hondsrug, The Netherlands

Dates of EGN Week: 19-05-2025 / 01-06-2025

Contact person/e-mail: Jasper Tomesen / j.tomesen@dehondsrug.nl

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 3
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: -
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: -
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: -
- total number of visitors/participants: 1479
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 2168

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Geo-week School excursion "Drilling through the Ice Ages". 30 participants of a regional school. Presentation of the Geoparks concept en explanation of the history of the Geopark. Hand drilling several soil profiles and comparing them, explanation of the vertical soil profile with layers of the three ice ages in our area.

Bicycle excursion by our partner Het Drentse Landschap, 14 participants.

Excursion "Landscape Beyond Psychology" with a group of 30 psychology students from the University Of Zürich, Switzerland. Theme was to discuss and experience how the landscape and knowledge of the geological history could contribute to raising the level of consciousness and improvement of the mental health and resilience of our society.

Mammoth days by our partner The Hunebed Centre, 649 and 773 visitors, Experiencing the prehistoric life in the Hondsrug area.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Djerdap UNESCO Global Geopark, Serbia

Dates of EGN Week: from May 24 to 31 and from June 1 to 11.

Contact person/e-mail: Jovana Petrovic (jovana.petrovic@npdjerdap.rs) and Tamara Jankovic (tamarajankovic@npdjerdap.rs)

Special motto of EGN Week (“Djerdap Geopark – where knowledge, nature, and people come together.”):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 9
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 50
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 542
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

During the European Geoparks Week 2025, Djerdap Geopark organized a series of successful activities focused on promoting geoheritage, education, and cooperation with the local community. In partnership with the Museum of Majdanpek, an exhibition dedicated to the archaeological site of the Rudna Glava Copper Mine was opened at the Geopark's Visitor Center. Students from the villages of Boljetin and Vinci participated in creative workshops making geo-souvenirs, while primary school pupils from Majdanpek explored nature through an educational walk to the Kovilovo viewpoint. A significant contribution came from members of the women's association "Misija Kreativa," who, in collaboration with the Geopark, held a workshop on traditional crafts. Members of the "Vredne Vlajne" association organized the event "Plasintijada," aimed at preserving local traditions, culture, and culinary heritage. All activities were diverse, interdisciplinary, educational, and adapted to different target groups and generations, strengthening the connection between people and the unique natural and cultural values of Djerdap Geopark.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: El Hierro UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain.

Dates of EGN Week: From April 24 to June 8

Contact person/e-mail: Yurena Pérez Candelario/yperez@meridianosau.es

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:..... 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 5
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:..... 0 (avoid paper use)
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:..... 0 (avoid paper use)
- total number of visitors/participants: 150
- total number of participants of the **online** events:..... 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

This year, at the El Hierro Geopark, we kicked off the European Geoparks Week with great energy by offering a training course for the island's primary school teachers: "*Training Tools of the El Hierro Geopark for Understanding its Geological Heritage.*"

This project has been carried out in collaboration with the teachers of the Geopark's schools and the CEP El Hierro (El Hierro Teacher Training Center), an educational institution under the Government of the Canary Islands that provides resources and training for teachers on the island.

After several meetings with the schools, collecting information through digital media, and sharing the interests of the participants, this course was developed for educators—teachers responsible for conveying the Geopark's principles and knowledge of our geological heritage to their students.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: English Riviera UNESCO Global Geopark, UK

Dates of EGN Week: 23rd May - 30th May 2025

Contact person/e-mail: m.border@englishriviergeopark.org.uk

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 17
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 2840
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 223

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The 2025 Geopark Festival on the English Riviera was delivered successfully with a wide range of activities.

The Geopark was able to support multiple events across Torquay, Paignton, and Brixham. Including engaging with local artists, participating in hands-on scientific experiments and beach discoveries, meditation by the sea and sea shanties, learning about the unique geology and ecology of the area via walking or from the perspective of the water for all age groups.

One gentleman said that; "his children had been cultured and didn't even realise it", another participant said, "I can't believe all this has been under my nose for so long and I didn't realise". Feedback from one of the artists was; "The combination of walking and sketching at sunset created a calming and reflective atmosphere. A number of participants chose to stay on afterwards to continue sketching in the grounds, showing how inspiring they found the experience"

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Thank you for your cooperation!

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Estrela UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal

Dates of EGN Week: 24/05 to 08/06

Contact person/e-mail: Emanuel de Castro / emanuelcastro@geoparkestrela.pt

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 23
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 10
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 600
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As most successful activities we highlight:

- i) "Science by Walking", where through an interpretative walk, visitors and locals can know more about the Estrela Geopark and its heritage;
- ii) Field trip of the course "Geotourism by Geoparks", which aimed to train tourism operators about the values of the UNESCO Global Geoparks;
- iii) Educational programs that encompassed hundreds of students and teachers, using the territory of Estrela as an outdoor laboratory;
- iv) The "Shepherds Festival", promoted in partnership with the Manteigas municipality, a festival for the promotion of shepherds, shepherding and the heritage, tangible and intangible, of the Estrela mountain;
- v) Activities and walks with the partners, in particular tourism partners;
- vi) Clean up of the Estrela upper plateau, which encompassed voluntary work by tens of participants to help clean the higher points of the Estrela mountain.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Famenne-Ardenne UNESCO Global Geopark, Belgium

Dates of EGN Week: 15th of May to 8th of June – Our activities : the 27th of May

Contact person/e-mail: Alain Petit - alain.petit@geoparkfamenneardenne.be

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): /

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 5
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 100
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 20
- total number of visitors/participants: 50
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As part of the Flood Convention, the Lesse River Contract provides educational activities using the augmented reality sandbox 'Exact Lab'. This interactive tool allows users to model a territory in sand, onto which maps (flood hazards, land registry, etc.) are projected. By simulating rain, runoff and flood zones can be visualised in real time. You can then test land use planning solutions by modifying the terrain to observe their impact on water flow. This is a fun and practical way to raise awareness of flood-related issues. The workshop was complemented by an activity on resilient housing.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Fforest Fawr UGGp, UK

Dates of EGN Week:25th September – 12th October

Contact person/e-mail:Alan Bowring / Alan.Bowring@beacons-npa.gov.uk

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):20 years of Fforest Fawr Geopark

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....12
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:100
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:1
(in preparation for publication in Earth Heritage magazine, UK-wide readership)
- total number of visitors/participants:.....300
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The well-attended and very well-received guided walks from Fforest Fawr Geopark's hub at Craig-y-nos Country Park in the company of a local author, including the 'Cribarth' and 'Wealth of Water' Geotrails.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Gea Norvegica UNESCO Global Geopark, Norway

Dates of EGN Week: 2nd-7th June

Contact person/e-mail: Kristin Rangnes / kristin.rangnes@geanor.no

This EGN week was not celebrated in very actively in our geopark, we were only able to have a few events, since we were in the preparation of and conducting our fifth revalidation that took place from 8th to 13th June. We were able to participate in three events; two of them was in cooperation with local groups in our inland municipalities, in Kjærra Fossepark (open day) and the Siljan-day at our geopark site Gorningen. We also had one of our annual boat trips in the Langesund fiord, this time with about 60 participants.

1. Please give the following information:

number of activities/events during EGN Week: 3

- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0

- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2

- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0

- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0

- total number of visitors/participants: Boat trip: 60, other events: +200, these were in cooperation with others.

- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Our boat trips are always a pleasure to conduct, and we receive very good feedback from the participants. This event is suitable for everyone – during this June-event we had several persons from abroad and we manage all generations. We are combining local history and tales, the geological heritage, historic mining industry, botany, wild-life and of course our geological heritage connected to the histories of scientific discoveries.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:GeoMôn UNESCO Global Geopark, Anglesey, Wales

Dates of EGN Week: 15th May – 8th June

Contact person/e-mail:.....Rob Crossley/ rock.crossley@aol.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:5
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:3
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....3
- total number of visitors/participants:.....70
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

- 1) On the Saturday, the GeoMôn EGN walk was led by Dr Rob Marsden, Chief Executive Officer of Anglesey Mining, who summarised for a local interests group the Neolithic to 19th Century copper mining at Parys Mountain as he guided us round the Great Opencast. Then at the modern headworks he explained plans to rehabilitate the 300m deep shaft for a high-density fluid hydro-power gravity storage battery scheme supporting green energy delivery from nearby tidal, solar and wind farm projects.
- 2) Next day our joint event with Anglesey Antiquarians Society, with expert input by Prof. Frances Lynch and Dr Rob Crossley, examined stones used at different stages in building the village of Newborough and its Medieval Church.
- 3) Later in the week, Dr Graham Leslie, formerly of the British Geological Survey mapping team, led a 3-day field trip explaining new geological interpretations to members of GeoMôn and Liverpool Geological Society.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Grevena–Kozani UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week: 25/05/2025–08/06/2025

Contact person/e-mail: Panayiotis Ptochoulis / ptochoulis@anko.gr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 3
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2
- total number of visitors/participants: ~350 (not including the 500+ participants at the Meeting of the Geological Society of Greece)
- total number of participants of the **online** events:--

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2022:

Public schools from around the province visited the Trampantzeio Historic Schoolhouse of Siatista, which houses the Historical Paleontological Collection and Botanical Collection, and the Trekker's Shelter on Mt. Vourinos.

Geopark staff presented at a Seminar on Traditional Dances, held in Grevena, organized by the Pindos Dance and Cultural Association of Grevena. More than 100 attendees from around mainland Greece were present.

Geopark staff presented at the 17th Meeting of the Geological Society of Greece and the Annual Meeting of the Hellenic-Cypriot Geoparks Forum, in Lesvos Island UGGp. 2 talks on Grevena-Kozani UGGp:

1. Ghikas, D. and Batsi, A. *The Art of Stone in Geopark Grevena-Kozani: Community-led Conservation Efforts*.
2. Lazarides, G. et al. *Evaluation of Karst Geosites in Grevena-Kozani UNESCO Global Geopark*.

From 06 to 08 June, The R.O.MP.A. ("Propensity for Mountain Climbing, Mayhem and Debauchery" in Greek) Naturalist Club took a geopark-designated walking tour of geosites.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Harz . Braunschweiger Land . Ostfalen UGGp, Germany

Dates of EGN Week: 24/05 – 09/06 2025

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..... Esther Czymoch, es.czymoch@harzregion.de

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Treasures of the region

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 21
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 21
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 6.000
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: approx. 600
- total number of participants of the **online** events:

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

In cooperation with the Municipal Climate protection managers of the district Harz, the Geopark organized the “Market of Opportunities”. The aim was to provide information about sustainability and motivate to take action. Many stakeholders were invited to participate with an own stand. In total 18 organizations from sectors such as nature, forestry, regional food and consumer protection took part. The event took place on the market place of the world heritage town Quedlinburg and was well attended. While the focus laid on sustainability, guests were also informed about the Geopark’s work and the corresponding network.

Also, the campaign “Wonder world meadow” aimed at children was a success. With lots of hands-on activities, they went on an exciting journey into the realm of beetles, spiders and snails and experienced meadows from a new perspective.

The Geopark also broadcast a local radio advertisement to draw attention on Geoparks and the EGN-week.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Haute-Provence UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week:From the 23rd of May to the 1st of June

Contact person/e-mail: Marie-Jo SONCINI / mj.soncini@provencealpesagglo.fr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:

HPUGGp Festival	1
Geopartners events	9

- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:..... 0

- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:

press conference	1
press publication	1
radio interview	2
Regional TV.....	1

- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:

annual programme brochure mentioning the EGW	2000
festival programme	800
festivals posters	25

- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2

- total number of visitors/participants: 800

- total number of participants of the **online** events: /

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The Haute-Provence UGGp organized a great festival in Digne-les-Bains in the Musée Promenade (Geopark Visitor Center). Geopartners were invited to present their professional activities and sell products (olive oil, honey, clay modelling, wild basketry, craft beer, etc). Three "old times living" exhibition centres of the territory were also present. Ancient know-hows were in the spotlight, with activities like wooden games manufacturing and playing with children, or mule ride, representing the Mule House and mule farming tradition in the northern part of the Geopark. Guided tours focused on the UNESCO Global Geoparks exhibition, and excavation workshop (game) raised awareness on the paleontological heritage and valorisation methods. Circus performance closed this successful day (800 visitors) which strengthened the Geopark's local image and allowed an efficient awareness on the HPUGGp heritage diversity.

Specific visits, workshop or open-house day organized by geopartners all over the territory were also announced in the widely diffused programme.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Holy Cross Mountains UNESCO Global Geopark, Poland

Dates of EGN Week:25.05.2025 – 08.06.2025

Contact person/e-mail:Michał Poros / michal.poros@geopark.pl

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): -

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:-
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....-
- total number of visitors/participants:3170
- total number of participants of the **online** events:219

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Organization of the 3rd edition of the V4 Geoparks Meeting, held on June 2–4, 2025 – an international conference bringing together representatives of geoparks and institutions involved in the protection and promotion of geodiversity from the Visegrad Group countries (Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Hungary). The conference was attended by 70 participants. The event was organized by the Holy Cross Mts. UNESCO Global Geopark in cooperation with the Polish Geological Institute and the Municipality of Chęciny. The aim of the conference was to promote and exchange experiences and good practices related to geopark management, geological heritage protection and conservation, geointerpretation, and the implementation of joint projects focused on geotourism, education, and sustainable development. The organization of this event represented a significant contribution to capacity building of geoparks, networking, and the promotion of the UNESCO Global Geoparks brand in Central Europe (in particular Visegrad Group countries).

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Idrija UNESCO Global Geopark, Slovenia

Dates of EGN Week: May 10 – June 7 2025

Contact person/e-mail:Katarina Kenda / katarina.kenda@geopark-idrija.si

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): /

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 1 main event (The Geopark Day) + 11 accompanying events
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:10
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:20 posters
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:..... 8.000
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 700
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

New this year – **Geopark Day**: a half-day event for all generations, featuring a guided hiking tour, local culinary delights, children's workshops, live music, and the involvement of the local community and providers.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Impact Crater Lake Lappajärvi UNESCO Global Geopark
Country: Finland

Dates of EGN Week: 20.-24.5.2025

Contact person/e-mail: Executive Manager Sari Hyttinen, sari.hyttinen@jpyp.fi

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): "Geopark – That's Us!"

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 14
- number of *online* activities/events during EGN Week: 2
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:
Geopark brochures/maps 1 000 copies
2 rollup standees & 1 branding table
Rock information leaflets & display
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 8
- total number of visitors/participants: 592
- total number of participants of the *online* events:
Our online activities were radio interviews (2), which are available online. Estimated listeners: 321 000.

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

A New Chapter Begins at Impact Crater Lake Lappajärvi Geopark

Impact Crater Lake Lappajärvi UGGp Week concluded on a high note with a vibrant finale at Kivistipu resort in Lappajärvi; marking not just an end, but a fresh beginning. Visitors journeyed through time at the Meteorite Center's exhibition and experienced a captivating virtual space adventure. The afternoon was rich with expert insights: Geologist Teemu Öhman illuminated the cosmic origins of the lake, while Project Manager Ulla Laukkala shared insights on current state of regional tourism.

As twilight fell, guests enjoyed a delicious GEOfood dinner and inspiring speeches from regional leaders; including Lappajärvi's Mayor Sami Alasara and Visit Arctic Coast CEO Janne Anttila. The crowning moment came when Sari Hyttinen, Geopark Executive Manager, proudly presented the official UNESCO Global Geopark certificates to the four municipalities. With science, celebration, and shared pride woven together, the week closed with promise; a celebration of legacy and forward momentum.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Karawanken-Karavanke UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria/Slovenia

Dates of EGN Week: 18.5.2025 - 18.6.2025

Contact person/e-mail: ... Mag. Gerald Hartmann / gerald.hartmann@geopark-karawanken.at

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): GEOfestival 2025 "So colourful and diverse is Geopark Karawanken-Karavanke!" - Celebrating a Decade of UNESCO Global Geoparks

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 27
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 1500
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 1500
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Most visited events during Geopark Karawanken-Karavanke EGN Week 2025 were:

- "Drau-Drava Run": cross-border Geopark school run on 13th of June and half marathon on 14th of June with approx. 500 participants of all age groups (AT/SLO);
- Awarding of the Julius Kugy Prize by the Community of Carinthian Slovenes to the cross-border Geopark Karawanken-Karavanke for its outstanding cross-border work in the field of sustainable regional development, which took place on 27th of May 2025 in Geopark Management centre in Austria (approx. 100 participants – adult individuals);
- Opening of a permanent outdoor sustainable exhibition which highlight the importance of conservation and protection of vulnerable and protected flora and fauna species in Geopark. The opening took place in the Municipality of Neuhaus (AT) on 13th of June 2025 and it was attended by approx. 80 adults and children;
- Interpretive guided tour through the tourist mine (SLO) on 25th of May 2025 with approx. 120 participants of all age groups.

Beside those events various educational workshops, guided hiking and biking tours, lectures, cultural and culinary events and others took place in the frame of the EGN Week 2025.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Katla UNESCO Global Geopark, Iceland

Dates of EGN Week: 22nd-26th of April

Contact person/e-mail: johannes@katlageopark.is

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 9
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 11
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 316
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 251

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

There were two highlights of the 2025 EGN Week in Katla. The first was the opening of the new Eyjafjallajökull viewpoint, where you can walk a short path to a perfect viewpoint of the glacier and the volcano. Along the path are sixteen signs and large rocks that tell visitors about the 2010 eruption of Eyjafjallajökull and the geology of the volcano, with each sign having one photograph from the eruption and a short text explaining the photo and the rock. The second were two presentations, one in Icelandic and one in English, about the stability of Víkurfjara beach, but the Geopark, along with students from Víkurskóli school, have been monitoring the changes in beach width and volume for four years now.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Kefalonia-Ithaca UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week: 15th May-8th June

Contact person/e-mail: zoumpouel@gmail.com, m.xanthakis@necca.gov.gr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 300
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As part of the celebrations for the EGN Week, the Kefalonia-Ithaca UGGp implemented a dedicated action highlighting the diversity and the value of the European Geoparks Network. Photographic and video material from 50 European UNESCO Global Geoparks was collected and displayed daily on digital screens within the exhibition hall of Kefalonia-Ithaca UNESCO Global Geopark's Information Center, during the EGN Week. This visual presentation was accessible to all visitors, including organized school groups, offering an engaging overview of Europe's geological and cultural heritage. The initiative aimed to foster environmental awareness, promote the principles of geoconservation, and strengthen the ties between our Geopark and the wider European Geopark community. The action was also disseminated through the Geopark's official social media platforms, receiving widespread attention and positive feedback from both the local audience and the broader international network.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Kula-Salihli UNESCO Global Geopark, Türkiye

Dates of EGN Week: 25 May – 8 June

Contact person/e-mail: Yigit Karakuzu / kulageopark@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 4
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 211
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As part of the 2025 EGN Week, a special photography tour was organized for 20 members of the Denizli Photography Art Association (DEFSAD).

The team visited Kula Divlit Volcanic Park, Kula Fairy Chimneys, Çakırca Basalt Columns, and Historic Kula Houses to capture the area's unique natural and cultural heritage. During the visit, they also met with the Mayor of Kula, Mr. Hikmet Dönmez, and discussed the role of art in promoting geoconservation and sustainable tourism. This event aimed to raise awareness, increase the visibility of the geopark, and build cooperation between local authorities and cultural organizations.

Through photography, the geopark's geological and historical values were shared with broader audiences, supporting its national and international recognition.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Land of Extinct Volcanoes UNESCO Global Geopark, Poland.

Dates of EGN Week:31.05.2025 – 7.06.2025.

Contact person/e-mail:Monika Cychowska – Nowak, monika@kaczawskie.pl.

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): “Open gardens among extinct volcanoes”/”No plastic - meeting and workshop in Dobkow”.

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:7
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:0
- total number of visitors/participants:87
- total number of participants of the **online** events:0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The “Open gardens among extinct volcanoes” project was a special event for local people, nature lovers, and anyone who enjoys gardening or wants to make their backyard more eco-friendly. The idea was to show that a garden can be not only beautiful, but also full of life – a safe space for birds, insects, hedgehogs, and even lizards.

As part of the project, four private gardens were opened to visitors, along with the educational garden at the Geocentre in Dobków. Guests could meet the garden owners, hear their stories, ask questions, and learn about smart, nature-friendly ideas.

These meetings were a great chance to exchange experiences, get inspired, and connect with others who care about the environment. The project showed how gardens can bring people together and how small green spaces can make a big difference.

It was a celebration of creativity, love for nature, and community spirit in a unique volcanic landscape.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Lanzarote and Chinijo Islands UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain.

Dates of EGN Week:May 23th to July 29.

Contact person/e-mail:María Elena Mateo Mederos / emateom@cabildodelanzarote.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:12
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:150
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....3
- total number of visitors/participants:.....555
- total number of participants of the **online** events:..... 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Lanzarote and Chinijo Islands UNESCO Global Geopark joined the European Geoparks Week with a vibrant program that connected science, culture, and nature. One of the highlights was the **Citizen Science Congress “Portal Anquialino”**, which gathered 150 participants, including students, researchers, and local volunteers, to explore the hidden ecosystems of anchialine habitats. Cultural heritage also played a key role with the **presentation of a book on traditional handicrafts**, attracting about 100 attendees. Visitors enjoyed the sensory experience **“Volcanoes Alive”**, where 150 people discovered the island's volcanic landscape through an engaging, multi-sensory approach. Outdoor lovers joined a **guided trail**, limited to 35 participants, offering an intimate journey through Lanzarote's unique geology. Finally, thousands of travelers passing through **Lanzarote Airport's Terminal 2** were welcomed by a striking collective exhibition of photographs from all Spanish Geoparks. Together, these activities showcased Lanzarote's ability to blend science, culture, and public participation in celebrating its extraordinary heritage.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Las Loras UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: May 23 to June 7

Contact person/e-mail: Karmah Salman / geoloras@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Celebrating the second Green card

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 16
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 90 (8-digital press, 18-Instagram, 18-Facebook, 3-Twitter and 43 histories instagram and facebook)
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 25
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2
- total number of visitors/participants: 600
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 10

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Once again, all activities with limited capacity were filled, and the field trips and talks were highly successful. Activities aimed at all audiences. Particularly noteworthy were the educational activities, both the field trips and the Second "Cretaceous Meetings", attended by more than 150 students of the Geopark from third and fourth grades. It's also worth noting that this year's activities were supported by various collaborating entities (local associations, adult school, municipalities, environmental agents, etc). Also very interesting was the screening of an old film shot in the geopark and the subsequent debate and the activity related to the enhancement of the geopark's bee products. The celebrations concluded with a wonderful concert by the Burgos Conservatory band, who visited the Geopark in the morning and performed outdoors in the afternoon.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Lauhanvuori - Hämeenkangas UNESCO Global Geopark, Finland

Dates of EGN Week: 1.-8.6.2025

Contact person/e-mail: Terttu Hermansson / terttu.hermansson@lhgeopark.fi

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 6
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 0
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 40
- total number of participants of the **online** events: ?

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

On Sunday, June 8th, a Geopark outdoor day in Nummijärvi, Kauhajoki, was organized with a few partners. Geopark partner entrepreneurs organized a guided cycling tour to the Kauhaneva-Pohjankangas National Park, outdoor yoga and kettlebell training, swimming, and sauna. The city of Kauhajoki together with Geopark offered the activities.

During the Geopark bike ride with about ten cyclists participating we got to hear fascinating history, nature, and folklore stories from Ismo Nousiainen of Taikapolku. He is a nature guide entrepreneur and a Geopark Ranger.

Related to event location in Kauhajoki and the World Environment Day, we published an article about the geosite, a nationally valuable cultural landscape, and how it has been restored and maintained. <https://lhgeopark.fi/en/news/dimensions-of-the-geopark-landscape-in-hyypanjokilaakso-valley/>

During the week, different geosites were presented to potential nature tourists in social media.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Lavreotiki UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week: 24/05/25 – 08/06/25

Contact person/e-mail: Eugenia Moraiti / eugeniamoraiti@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 0
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 300
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The UNESCO Global Geopark of Kefalonia-Ithaca collected videos & pictures from the European Geoparks in the framework of the EGN Week. The material was displayed at the Koutavos Environmental Information Center in Argostoli, in order to celebrate and showcase Europe's geological heritage. The Lavreotiki UGGp responded to the Kefalonia-Ithaka's call and sent 27 high-quality pictures and 1 video highlighting our geopark's natural and geological heritage.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Luberon UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week: 16–18 May 2025

Contact person/e-mail: Stéphane LEGAL/stephane.legal@parcduluberon.fr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 100
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

From 16 to 18 May, the village of Cabrières-d'Aigues (Luberon UNESCO Global Geopark) hosted a fossil-themed weekend in partnership with the CNRS in Lyon. The event was part of a scientific and cultural exchange with Cabrières (Hérault), located in the aspiring UNESCO Global Geopark "Terres d'Hérault".

The programme included two talks on geology and palaeontology, in Luberon Geopark and Terres d'Hérault applicant Geopark, a guided geological walk, and a visit to the Marc Deydier Museum in Cucuron to discover the new permanent exhibition on the area's rich palaeontological heritage.

These encounters fostered rich discussions around shared geological heritage and palaeontological research, highlighting the deep-time connections between the two territories.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Madonie UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 24th May to 8th June 2025

Contact person/e-mail:Dir UO3 dr. Peppuccio Bonomo - bonomo@parcodellemadonie.it

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....37
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:16
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:450
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....24
- total number of visitors/participants:1800
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Valledolmo "In every sense...a sensory evening excursion to Pizzo della Madonna: sounds, colors, scents, and flavors" - Aperitif and music at dusk - From the beauty of the Cosmos to the beauty of the soul with readings of some dialogues by the Greek philosopher Plato, in the presence of the Mayor, Councilors, and President of the Council of the Municipality of Valledolmo.

Collesano: "A Stroll Through Time" The Origins of Collesano - Visit to the Oldest Neighborhood of the Borgo with the „Gruppo Coloriamo Insieme la Vita“, an association that assists children with disabilities. Inclusiveness was a key aspect of this initiative.

Caltavuturo: The "Rocks and Imagination" event was held with the students of the "G. Oddo" Comprehensive Institute of Caltavuturo to deepen their knowledge of rocks and processes through direct observation and explanations by experts in the field.

Gangi : Conference on the geopark "Geosites and Georesources in the Madonie UNESCO Global Geopark." Organized by the Municipality and the Circolo Mazzini of Gangi.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Maestrazgo Cultural Park UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week:26th May/ 5th June

Contact person/e-mail:Ángel Hernández/ info@geoparquemaestrazgo.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): "*Geoparqueando*": Geology, Nature & Culture

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....11
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:4
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:50
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....50
- total number of visitors/participants:.....1000
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The Maestrazgo UGGp celebrated the 20th edition of its European Geoparks Week (EGN Week 2025), offering a diverse range of activities for all audiences.

The program featured 11 events across various locations including field trips, workshops, conferences, exhibitions, and competitions. Among them was the 12th edition of the Geopark *Maestrail* sports event. This year also marked the 14th edition of the Drawing Contest "*What is a Geopark for you?*" with 250 children from local schools participating. The awards ceremony, hosted by Castellote School, celebrated young talent, recognizing winners with prizes totalling over €1,500. Since its inception, the contest has received more than 3,000 drawings, showcasing students' creativity and connection to the territory.

New this year was the launch of the Young Ambassadors program—an educational experience featuring a student exchange initiative and diverse field activities throughout the Geopark. Designed for high school students from Molina Alto Tajo UGGp and Maestrazgo UGGp, this program fosters exploration, learning, and cross-cultural engagement in a unique geological setting.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Maiella UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 25th May – 8th June

Contact person/e-mail: Maria Peroni / maria.peroni@parcomaiella.it

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 1

“I *tholos* del Geoparco Maiella: un viaggio tra storia, natura e cultura” (The *tholos* -rural dry-stone buildings- of the Maiella Geopark: a journey through history, nature and culture), **seminar with over 50 students from a high school (art school) in Sulmona** focused on the housing crisis and rural dry-stone buildings made in the past by shepherds and farmers of the Maiella’s mountain by removing the stones from the land to cultivate it (so changing the natural landscape for an equally valuable one). The initiative also discussed European Union policies, current challenges related to the cost of living and social equity, the value of biodiversity and geodiversity and the role of the Geopark as a bulwark of memory, resilience and future. The initiative, organized in collaboration with Europe Direct Maiella and the LINAE Association to connect younger generations with the roots of the territory and the European values, also included an educational excursion along the “Sentiero delle Capanne” (The trail of the Huts) which was postponed in Autumn for organizational reasons. The initiative was described in a Facebook post.

- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0

- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 0

- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0

- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0

- total number of visitors/participants: 0

- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The activity with the school allowed students to learn more about the Maiella Geopark and Europe but also about the importance of partnerships and collaborations for nature conservation and opportunities for experiences abroad.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Massif des Bauges UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week:15th May until 8th June 2025

Contact person/e-mail:c.lansigu@parcdesbauges.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....8
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:.....0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:30
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:2000
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....3
- total number of visitors/participants:.....160
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

This year, Geoparks Week was part of the wider Renc'arts programme, offering 30 events combining art and science. Two events are particularly noteworthy:

A guided walk (tumbling down or memories of the hillside) tracing the natural disasters that have occurred in the commune of Grésy-sur-Isère, as part of the “souvenirs majeurs” project on the subject of geohazards

The 4th edition of the ‘Geology and Climbing’ day at Fort Marthod, with:

A focus on Bauges diamonds, referring to the occurrence of fenestrated quartz in a predominantly limestone rock environment.

An introduction to climbing activities on a landslide, the result of a unique geological history.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Mëllerdall UNESCO Global Geopark, Luxembourg

Dates of EGN Week: 2.6. - 8.6.2025

Contact person/e-mail: birgit.kausch@naturpark-mellerdall.lu

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Mëllerdall Days

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 47,512
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 3
- total number of visitors/participants: ~ 110
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

This year's EGN Week at the Mëllerdall Geopark focused on the 'Al Schmelz' geosite, where iron ore was smelted in the 18th and 19th centuries.

A new interpretation tool was inaugurated at the site in the presence of the national Minister for Spatial Planning. Now, the former blast furnace and stamp mill can be experienced in digital form as augmented reality. The life-size steel figure of a former worker, who used to be depicted on Luxembourg coins, tells the story of the site, of which no built remains exist today except for two ponds. A discovery tour for children, which encouraged them to observe the surroundings along a hiking trail, passed by the site.

The programme during EGN Week was rounded off by guided hikes throughout the region and a film screening.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Meteora–Pyli UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week: May 18 to June 5

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 6
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 2
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 3
- total number of visitors/participants: 65
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 40

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

With three different activities, the Meteora – Pyli Geopark participated in EGN Week, honoring both International Museum Day and World Environment Day.

On May 18, representatives of cultural associations and organizations of the Municipality of Pyli took part in a special informative event on the occasion of International Museum Day. The representatives of the region's cultural institutions were introduced to all the museums operating within the boundaries of the Geopark and held in-depth discussions with the organizers about potential collaborations and joint events, as well as ways to record the area's cultural and folkloric activity.

On June 5, mountain guides, trainers, and climbers walked the trails of the unique Gavros geosite to explore and document the flora of the area, thus "celebrating" World Environment Day at the Meteora – Pyli Geopark. Responding to the Geopark's invitation, the team of volunteers gathered at the square of the Gavros community in the Municipality of Meteora, in order to hike along the magnificent trails of the "Little Meteora."

That same morning, the students of the Primary School and Kindergarten of the Stournaraika community in the Municipality of Pyli participated in World Environment Day activities through an informative event held at their school, as well as through a virtual connection with a school on Lesvos, where the first UNESCO-recognized geopark of Greece is located.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Molina Alto Tajo UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: 14/05/2025-14/06/2025

Contact person/e-mail: Jose A. Martínez / geoparquemolinaaltotajo@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 11
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: more than 20 in social media
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 40
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:
- total number of visitors/participants: more than 200
- total number of participants of the **online** events:

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

This year's highlight is the first edition of the Ciruelos del Pinar Geological Sessions. This event aims to involve the cultural associations of the towns within the geopark territory in the exploration and promotion of geological heritage. The conference includes several activities, including: a talk on the Molina Alto Tajo Geopark and the UNESCO Global Geopark Network, a talk on the geology of this town, an exhibition on fossils and geology of the Geopark, and a field visit to the nearby geological environment. The Geopark team has provided support to the town's cultural association to include geology in its annual cultural activities with the aim of bringing the importance of geology to the local population, especially children.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Monts d'Ardèche UNESCO Global Geopark, France

Dates of EGN Week: 17th May - 7th June

Contact person/e-mail: Nicolas Klee / nklee@parc-monts-ardeche.fr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 3
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 15 000
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 50
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

For European Geoparks Week, the Monts d'Ardèche Geopark has organised two visits to two of the region's volcanic geosites, in partnership with the Geological Society of the Ardèche and the Museum of the Ardèche: the Crau volcano and the Rocher de Saint-Jean volcano. These two events were attended by 42 participants. The highlight of the European week was the screening in Jaujac of the film 'Il n'y a pas de fumée sans feu' ('There's no smoke without fire'), written and directed by 12 amateur film-makers from socially disadvantaged backgrounds, who produced an intimate and collective portrait of the Jaujac volcano.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Mourne Gullion Strangford UNESCO Global Geopark, Northern Ireland

Dates of EGN Week: 25th May to 9th of June

Contact person, e-mail: Darren Rice, Darren.rice@nmandd.org

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 0
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 364
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....

Social media posts

- No. of EGN week related posts..... 17
- Total views..... 7376
- Total reach 4445

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Wildlife in the City

A free family day to discover nature in the only city within the geopark.

A programme packed with opportunities for hands-on activities, nature discovery and fun for all ages exploring the wild side of city life.

Learn about local wildlife and how we can all help protect their natural homes.

Partners involved in this event included Radius Housing, Louth Beekeepers, Ring of Gullion Red Squirrel Group, Ulster Wildlife, Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful and Southern Health and Social Care Trust for sharing their knowledge and passion!

This event was attended by geopark staff and the Deputy Chairperson of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council, Councillor Geraldine Kearns

Attended by 150 people, mostly families.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Muskauer Faltenbogen/Łuk Mużakowa UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany/Poland

Dates of EGN Week: 01 June - 28 June

Contact person/e-mail: Wojciech Lewicki, w.lewicki@muskauer-faltenbogen.de

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): none

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:..... 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 30
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 130
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 20
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 2500
- total number of participants of the **online** events:..... 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Rock of the Year - The annual event of the German Geological Society, which for the first time had a German-Polish character. The event was attended by representatives of the geological surveys, universities and specialists in geology and geotourism of both countries. UGGp Muskau Arch was chosen as the place for this year's event because of its long history of clay mining and processing, which was chosen as the Rock of the Year.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Naturtejo UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal

Dates of EGN Week: 23rd May-11th June

Contact person/e-mail: geral@naturtejo.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Festival of Landscape 2025 – European Geoparks Week in Naturtejo Geopark

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 17
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 13
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 53
- total number of visitors/participants: 13500
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The Landscape Festival of the Naturtejo Geopark is an annual event that celebrates the natural, cultural, and geological heritage of the Naturtejo Geopark region, located in central Portugal. The festival features a wide range of activities aimed at discovering and appreciating the area's unique landscape, with particular emphasis on its geological significance. Participants can explore the region's striking rock formations, fossil sites, and geological trails through guided tours, workshops, and exhibitions. The event also focuses on sustainability, environmental preservation, and responsible tourism, encouraging visitors to engage with the landscape in a respectful way. Alongside the geological activities, the festival offers a rich cultural program that includes music, local cuisine, and crafts, fostering a deeper connection between the community and its environment. Overall, the festival highlights the value of the Naturtejo Geopark as both a scientific treasure and a place to be cherished and preserved for future generations.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:North Pennines UNESCO Global Geopark, UK

Dates of EGN Week:24/05/2025-08/06/2025

Contact person/e-mail:Naomi Foster/naomi@northpennines.org.uk

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....13
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:20
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....1
- total number of visitors/participants:.....209
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Events included:

- Nature Camp – an overnight event for families including camping, food and activities such as bird watching, campfire, walks, games.
- Artistic workshops including printing, photography and textiles for families and adults.
- Guided walks with nature themes.
- School visits to the visitor centre.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:North West Highlands UNESCO Global Geopark, United Kingdom

Dates of EGN Week: 9th to 14th June

Contact person/e-mail: Fiona Saywell / manager@nwhgeopark.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 1
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 2
- total number of visitors/participants: 30
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

This year, we had a new addition to our Geotour portfolio, the inaugural Earth Mind Fieldtrip, aimed at inviting new audiences to learn about our landscapes. Twelve participants, led by Ruth Allen, geologist, writer and embodied outdoor psychotherapist, in collaboration with the Geopark Geologist, Peter Harrison and author and geologist, John McLellan, spent two days exploring key geosites. This geotour engaged this new audience with the extraordinary story of the landscape of the North West Highlands, along with providing the time and space for contemplation and connection with the ancient landscapes.

We also celebrated the final Geopark Explorers Club session, before the school holidays at the Rock Stop Visitor Centre. The club is open to children from 5–11 years old and living in the Geopark. Activities were designed through discovery and teamwork to raise awareness of the environment and the landscapes of the North West Highlands.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Novohrad-Nógrád UNESCO Global Geopark, Slovakia and Hungary

Dates of EGN Week: May 24–June 9, 2025

Contact person/ e-mail: Imre Szarvas / office@nngeopark.eu

Special motto of EGN Week:Celebrating the borderless geoheritage

1. EGN Week information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 26
- number of *online* activities/events during EGN Week: 4
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 6
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 8
(Advertised on social media platforms and websites of nogradeopark.eu, osmaradvanyok.hu and bnpi.hu)
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 4
- total number of visitors/participants: appr. 12 thousand
- total number of participants of the online events: 40

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

It was a truly special development when, in honour of the 10th anniversary of the establishment of UNESCO Global Geoparks, the management of the area (Bükk National Park Directorate) decided that the Slovak and Hungarian residents of the Geopark would receive a significant discount on visiting the Ipolytarnóc Fossils Geosite's guided tours from the beginning of the EGN Week until the end of the year.

Several programs promoted the geoheritage of the geopark, including guided tours, online events and nature conservation education programs for families with children on both sides of the geopark.

On May 24, the staff of the 3 Hungarian UNESCO Global Geoparks opened the event series with an online discussion.

On May 28, the Hungarian National Television also reported on the events.

On May 31 and June 1, the EGN Volcano Day was celebrated with an interactive volcano show and thematic guided tours.

At the Ipolytarnóc Geosite alone, 3,915 registered visitors participated in the events.

Since Pentecost fell during EGN Week, the pilgrimage centers and the Hollókő WHS also joined in the celebration with cultural programs.

On the international scene, the EGN Working Group on Transnational Geoparks held an online meeting on May 27, and a representative of the geopark participated in the Visegrad Four Countries' Geopark Workshop, which was held in Poland from June 2-4.

More details concerning the EGN Week programs are available in the following links:

<https://www.osmaradvanyok.hu/en/program-reszletek/european-geoparks-week-in-the-transnacional-paloc-geopark>

<https://www.noqradgeopark.eu/en/news-1/european-geoparks-week-kicks-off-with-a-special-discount-at-miocene-park>

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Odsherred UNESCO Global Geopark, Denmark

Dates of EGN Week: June 13th-15th

Contact person/e-mail: Jakob Walløe Hansen / jakob@geoparkodsherred.dk

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 50
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: N/A
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 10
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: N/A
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 5
- total number of visitors/participants: 15,000
- total number of participants of the **online** events: N/A

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

A major food fair / festival was held prior to the Nordic Ceremony Michelin on June 16th. Many local products from Odsherred and elsewhere was exhibited in more than 50 booths, leading up to the most intense celebration of fine dining the day after. With the geopark as the main organizer, the festival will return next year, maybe as a government backed national initiative. People came from all over Denmark, to celebrate music, food and drinks, and cuisine entrepreneurship.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Oeste UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal

Dates of EGN Week: 24 May to 8 June

Contact person/e-mail: Miguel Reis Silva/ miguel.silva@geoparqueoeste.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 20
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 30
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 2500
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 5
- total number of visitors/participants: 400
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 25

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The EGN Week 2025, held from 24 May to 8 June, was marked by a rich and diverse programme, with a special highlight on the Festival of the Oeste Geopark, which took place at the CIGO - Geopark Oeste Interpretation Centre. The festival gathered visitors from across the region and beyond, offering a variety of workshops, exhibitions, tasting sessions of local products, cultural activities, and scientific experiences, celebrating the natural and cultural heritage of the territory.

Throughout the week, several field trips were organised with students from 7th to 12th grade, providing hands-on learning experiences and raising awareness about the region's geological, ecological, and cultural values.

Additionally, the Oeste Geopark participated in the online course for Regional Interpretive Guides, contributing to capacity-building and knowledge sharing.

This dynamic programme successfully engaged different audiences and strengthened the connection between the community and its territory.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Ore of the Alps UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria

Dates of EGN Week: 25. May 2025

Contact person/e-mail: hoermann@geopark-erzderalpen.at

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): none

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 0
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 103
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As part of the European Geopark Weeks and the Museum Weekend of Salzburg, the Larzenbach show mine and the “Ores, Gold and Minerals” museum in Hüttau were highlighted as part of the Ore of the Alps UNESCO Global Geopark. All-day guided tours were offered in the copper show mine, which were very well attended. There was an all-day film screening in the museum and the highlight of the day was a guided tour of the museum by Rainer Mrazek, the founder of the museum.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Orígens UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: 23rd May to 8th June

Contact person/e-mail: Xavier Mir / xmir@geoparcorigens.cat

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): Climate change

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 13
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 14
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 11
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 242
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Orígens UNESCO Global Geopark has celebrated the 9th edition of the EGN Week. Based on *Climate Change* motto, we would like to highlight several activities organized on the current and local effect of *Climate Change* on bird migration, water availability; and olive tree crops and vineyards in the Geoparc territory.

In terms of education, we also highlight an activity held in two different schools, where nearly 60 students learned about the Sustainable Development Goals, putting the concepts they learned into practice by completing challenges.

In addition, the celebration included two special dates. On June 5, World Environment Day, an amphibian pond was reforested. In addition, the tenth anniversary of one of the Geopark's museums, Dinosfera, was celebrated with several educational activities and a talk on climate change in the age of dinosaurs.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Papuk UNESCO Global Geopark, Croatia

Dates of EGN Week: 23rd May to 4th June 2025

Contact person/e-mail: Goran Pavic, papukgeopark@gmail.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 15
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 400
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:..... 9
- total number of visitors/participants: 750
- total number of participants of the **online** events:..... 18

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

We would like to highlight the organization of the 1st Festival of Croatian Geoparks, held in Papuk UGGp. The event brought together all three Croatian UNESCO Global Geoparks, who presented themselves to the public through stands with brochures, leaflets, and other promotional materials. A special focus was given to local producers from each geopark, offering visitors the chance to taste and enjoy a variety of products such as honey, cheese, wine, and jams during the local products fair. As part of the festival, a professional conference “Geoparks for the Future of Local Communities” was held, providing a platform for discussion and knowledge exchange. The three-day program was further enriched by special guests from the Idrija UGGp in Slovenia, who contributed to the international character of the event. The festival successfully strengthened cooperation among Croatian geoparks, increased their visibility to the public, and promoted education and awareness of the role geoparks play in supporting local communities.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Platåbergens UGGp, Sweden

Dates of EGN Week: 6 June

Contact person/e-mail:Sofia Hultman / sofia.hultman@skara.se

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....1
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:70
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....
- total number of visitors/participants:.....100
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....-

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

During **EGN Week**, the exhibition “*Discover Deep time – the Hidden World of the table mountains*” was inaugurated at Falbygden Museum. The exhibition was entirely created by the staff of Platåbergen UNESCO Global Geopark and realized through close collaboration with the museum.

The opening marks an important milestone for the Geopark – the ability to independently produce professional exhibitions. This, in turn, opens up new opportunities to develop additional themes, reach new audiences, and strengthen awareness of the unique values of the table mountain landscape.

The partnership with Falbygden Museum has been crucial in making the exhibition possible to present, but it has also been designed with the future in mind. The plan is for the exhibition to travel and share the story of the table mountain with more places and communities.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Pollino UNESCO Global Geopark Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 9-10-11 May and 24 May 2025

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egidio.calabrese@parconazionalepollino.it

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 100
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:
- total number of visitors/participants: 200
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 40

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

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European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Psiloritis UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week: 15/5/2025-31/8/2025

Contact person/e-mail: Maria Kolendrianou, info@psiloritisgeopark.gr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 16 events/ activities+ 5 schools
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: ~20 (press releases & social media posts, on behalf of the UGGp and immediate partners collaborating with UGGp for the events)
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: multiple printed flyers/ posters for 8 of the events
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: ~2000+ 180 students
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The most successful EGN- week events were the annual Psiloritis Geopark Festival, the 3-day workshop for educators on climate crisis and biodiversity in Psiloritis UGGp (co-organized with Anogia Education Center) and the field visit with locals along with staff of environmental Agencies of Crete at one of the newly appointed UNESCO WHS (Zominthos Minoan palace) and one of the Geopark's nearby geosites (St. Fanourios fault) on World Environment Day. Other events included participation in events and festivals performed within the territory or in the neighbouring larger cities, like the participation in the "Fascination of Plants Day" (invited by the Hellenic Mediterranean University to perform our activity on Geopark flora), participation in Yakinthia Festival, Psiloritis' Strata etc (with local Flora photo exhibition, digital exhibition from previous students' contest, geopark info point and activities on local geoheritage etc.) and events related to the practice of dry- stone walling (conference and field visits).

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Reykjanes UNESCO Global Geopark, Iceland

Dates of EGN Week: 13.5-5.6

Contact person / e-mail: Daníel Einarsson / daniel@reykjanesgeopark.is

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: ö
- total number of visitors/participants: 70
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 15

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Workshop on UNESCO Schools in Reykjanes Geopark. The aim of the workshop was to strengthen collaboration, knowledge, and understanding of UNESCO School activities, with the guiding purpose of preparing schools in Suðurnes for the application process and participation in the school network.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Ries UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany

Dates of EGN Week: 15 May to 9 June 2025

Contact person/e-mail: Cornelia Bäuml / cornelia.baeuml@geopark-ries.de

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 8
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 9
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 1.500 flyers/150 posters
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: at least 10
- total number of visitors/participants: event visitors unknown; about 150 on guided tours
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 116 likes (social media)

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The UNESCO Global Geopark Ries hosted a three-day event in Daiting, transforming local sports-club grounds into a living-history experience focused on ancient iron smelting and craftsmanship. Visitors observed traditional processes of iron production, from building and firing a historic furnace to smelting ore and forging iron by hand. Demonstrations by an archeological expert highlighted the physically demanding labour and millennia-old techniques. Central to the event was the mission to keep ancient knowledge alive—understanding heritage, rediscovering sustainable methods, and grounding history as a foundation for the future. Free guided tours along the Geopark's Geotope Daiting nature trail connected the region's geological features with its historical iron resources, enriching visitors' appreciation of nature, science and craftsmanship. The local sports club contributed to welcoming atmosphere with food and drinks. This event showcased how UNESCO Global Geoparks can engage communities by preserving and sharing traditional skills and knowledge through authentic, hands-on experiences.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week: 12/04, 07/05, 27/05, 29/05, 15/06, 17/07

Contact person/e-mail: marianna.gallina@roccadicerere.eu

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 6
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 6
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 130
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

During EGN Week 2025, Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark engaged a variety of audiences through innovative events.

The 'Geokids' event celebrated Floristella's mining heritage with guided excursions and traditional games, stimulating children's curiosity and sense of belonging. The event '*The Shapes of Gaia, Tools and Ideas for Reading a Territory*' at the Kore University of Enna attracted researchers, students and local communities to explore landscape interpretation through science, culture and storytelling. In Valguarnera, '*Geographies of Identity, Roots Tourism and the Tastes of Memory*' highlighted the experience of roots tourism, combining the stories of families who emigrated to America at the beginning of the last century, local food and traditional music, with the participation of prominent community figures. At Lake Nicoletti, an engaging day in the open air combined canoeing, geo-trekking and tastings of local food products. The presentation of the '*Geoportale della Cultura Alimentare*' (GeCA) highlighted the role of local food heritage in cultural identity, community memory, and sustainable territorial development.

All these activities inspired a reflection on the relationship between people, territory and identity.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Rokua UNESCO Global Geopark, Finland

Dates of EGN Week: 26.5.-8.6.2025

Contact person/e-mail: mikko.kiuttu@humanpolis.fi

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0
- total number of visitors/participants: 150
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

During EGN Week 2025, Rokua Geopark offered a series of guided tours showcasing the region's unique geological features, cultural heritage, and environmental art. Highlights included nature and art walks to significant sites like Rokua's Harjunpolku trail and Manamansalo's Peurapolku, where participants explored striking landscapes and inspiring environmental artworks such as the "Golden Cone" and "Seer" installations. The week also featured the "Time Travel" exhibition in Muhos, providing an interactive journey through local history and geology with virtual reality elements. All events combined nature, culture, and art to engage diverse audiences. Free entry and refreshments made the events welcoming for all. During the first week, Rokua Geopark shared information about its recommended attractions and hiking trails in the social media encouraging people to go and explore the sites themselves.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Saimaa UNESCO Global Geopark, Finland

Dates of EGN Week: 17-29.5.2025

Contact person/e-mail: jenna.tiimo@saimaageopark.fi

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 6
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 4
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 40
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: . We had online posts/ articles about 15
- total number of visitors/participants: $60 + 20 + 700 + 100 + 8227 = 9107$
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

EGN-Week 2025 was a success, showcasing the diverse appeal of our Saimaa UNESCO Global Geopark through a wide array of events. We saw a fantastic mix of activities, from intimate, small-group excursions perfect for in-depth exploration to larger, engaging fair-style events that drew significant crowds.

A key highlight was the incredible diversity in participation, with attendees spanning all age groups. This broad appeal underscored the Geopark's relevance to everyone, from young children to seniors, fostering a sense of community and shared appreciation for our unique geological heritage. These varied programs were instrumental in significantly raising the visibility of the Geopark, effectively communicating its value and importance to a wider audience.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Salpausselkä UNESCO Global Geopark, Finland

Dates of EGN Week: 26 May – 8 June 2025

Contact person/e-mail: Kati Komulainen / kati.komulainen@lahtiregion.fi

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): -

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 24
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 6
- total number of visitors/participants: Ca.1800
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The opening celebrations of the Virtaankoski rapids in Tainionvirta River, highly significant for the endangered migratory fish species of Lake Päijänne, attracted several hundreds of people in Sysmä. A power plant dam was dismantled and the rapids were restored this spring, allowing the rapids flow freely again and the fish to reach their natural spawning spots. At the opening celebrations, public had the chance to see the site, which is being developed into a recreational area, with its new walking bridge over the rapids. There were paddling and fishing shows, as well as information available about the restoration and development process. Prime Minister of Finland attended a special event for invited guests.

Another especially successful event was the unique musical experience in nature, *Melodies of the Lakes*, in Hollola at Lake Vähä-Tiilijärvi. *Järvifantasia – Lake Fantasy*, a nature-inspired work by composer Hannu Kella, was performed by nine musicians situated along the trail around the lake, with live music blending with nature's soundscape and the pre-recorded composition for an unforgettable journey. Nearly a thousand people participated, walking around the lake.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Schelde Delta UNESCO Global Geopark, Belgium – The Netherlands

Dates of EGN Week: 12 May to 6 June

Contact person/e-mail: Walter Jonkers / w.jonkers@zeeland.nl

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 31
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 15
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 7500
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 4
- total number of visitors/participants: 1400
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.. broadcasts regional TV - radio (200.000)

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Because of the size of the Geopark, our publicizing activities is mainly done through social media (by the Geopark and the partners).

A big success was the geoconservation activity with volunteers and local residents of the quarry in Nieuw-Namen. This activity attracted a lot of publicity on radio and TV.

Our traveling Geopark exhibition was opened at a new location. The bottom-up initiative Drinkable Rivers walked through our area and was also welcomed by the Geopark. The Reynaert College became a partner of the Geopark with the necessary publicity and also the opening of geosite De Schenge.

Geopark partners organized many field excursions and tours for schoolchildren and adults.

Themes included geology, archaeology, landscape, flood protection and climate change.

Various public lectures on archaeology in relation to geology were held, and the provincial government of North Brabant visited the Geopark.

The weeks ended with a partner meeting on the theme of education in the Geopark.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Sesia Val Grande UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy

Dates of EGN Week:24/05-08/06

Contact person/e-mail:Cristina Viani/info@sesiavalgrandegeopark.it

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): not available

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....8
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:35
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:50
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....10
- total number of visitors/participants:.....350
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The most successful activity was the screening of a new documentary on the Sesia Supervolcano. In the video, Professor Sinigoi from the University of Trieste, who discovered the supervolcano, takes a rafting trip down the Sesia River to highlight key rock outcrops and explain the area's geology in an accessible way. A local rafting school participated in the filming, adding local engagement to the project.

The documentary was shown in three locations within the Geopark, all along the Sesia River, to reach a broad audience, including students and young people. These events were well-attended and served to raise awareness of the region's unique geoheritage.

Regional Councillor Carlo Riva Vercellotti also took part in the screenings. He is the proponent of Law 23/2023, focused on the conservation and promotion of geoheritage in the Piemonte Region, and he highlighted the documentary's value in supporting the mission of the Geopark.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Sierra Morena de Sevilla UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week:April 21th – 30th

Contact person/e-mail:Gonzalo Fernández de Castro Martínez / gferna21@tragsa.es

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....10
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:3
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:50
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....
- total number of visitors/participants:.....610
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Program addressed to All groups:

- 4 Georutes addressed
- Program: Geopark Workshop for Teachers working in the Schools of the Geopark and Seville Province.
- NaturPhoto Challenge: Photography for Nature Conservation
- Program: Geokit in the Schools of the Geopark and Seville Province
- Schools activities: Visiting the *Cerro del Hierro* Natural Monument Geosite and presentation of the new Geoparks Educational Games in the Interpretation Center of the Geopark
- Conference: Health Life in Sierra Morena de Sevilla Geopark

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Sierras Subbéticas UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: From 22nd April to 4th May

Contact person/e-mail: geoparquesubbeticas.csma@juntadeandalucia.es

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 16
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 9
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 10
- total number of visitors/participants: 570
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 16

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As part of the 19th European Geoparks Week, the Sierras Subbéticas UNESCO Global Geopark organized two key activities combining scientific research, heritage conservation, and education. In Carcabuey, a participatory event was held at the Puerto Escaño stratigraphic section—an internationally significant site that could become the global reference point for the Jurassic–Cretaceous boundary. Co-organized with the University of Granada and Carcabuey Town Council, the initiative included an awareness talk for the local community and the first fieldwork phase to remove debris and enhance the site's scientific and educational value.

In Rute, the Geopark and the regional Teacher Training Centres held the second field trip of a province-wide teacher training course. The course aimed to introduce educators to the Geopark's unique geological heritage and provide them with educational materials and activities. During the visit, teachers explored the Pinar de Rute (a public pine forest) through a geo-themed gymkhana, showcasing fun and practical ways to bring the Geopark's values into the classroom.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Sitia UNESCO Global Geopark, CREECE

Dates of EGN Week: 5- 8 June 2025

Contact person/e-mail: Evangelos Perakis / perakisv@sitia.gr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): 1s Hidden Treasure Hunt of Sitia UGGp "Travel through time with the Deinotherium of Sitia"

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 4
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 4
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 500
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 4
- total number of visitors/participants: 650
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Hidden Treasure Hunt of Sitia UGGp "Travel through time with the Deinotherium of Sitia".

Co-organizer: Primary Education Teachers Association "MYSON", Children's Hidden Treasure Group, Sitia Geopark Volunteers.

60 students from Sitia schools participated in an activity that aimed to introduce the rich paleontological history of the Geopark through an exploration game.

The activity included excavation, cleaning, maintenance, creation of replicas of fossils, painting and various constructions.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Sobrarbe-Pirineos UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: 28th May-8th June

Contact person/e-mail: Áñel Belmonte Ribas/ ajbelmonte@educa.aragon.es

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): International Year of Glaciers Preservation

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:..... 7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases and interview radio announcing EGN Week events: 12
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:..... 10
- total number of visitors/participants:..... 145
- total number of participants of the **online** events:..... 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

One of the most relevant activities was addressed to the tourist information agents of the different villages inside the Geopark as well as those who work in the Ordesa and Monte Perdido National Park. Through this activity, we provide high quality information to these agents about the characteristics of the Geopark, its landscape, culture and different resources useful to improve the communication to the visitors.

Taking advantage of the International Year for Glaciers Preservation, and being a geoparks still with glaciers, we have arranged one talk about this topic, a field trip to check the sign in the landscape of the ancient huge Pyrenean glaciers and a workshop about glaciers and art with the Colombian artist Natalia Castañeda.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: South Fyn Archipelago UNESCO Global Geopark, Denmark

Dates of EGN Week: 29 – 31 May

Contact person/e-mail: Rasmus Elmquist Casper/rasmus.elmquist.casper@svendborg.dk

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 150
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 3
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 150*
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 0*
- total number of visitors/participants: 4.500 - 5000
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

*This year we tested a communication strategy based on online presence on social media and via the tourist offices website and our own website. Next year we will return to printed copies of programme.

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Geopark Gravel 2025 gathered more than 50 cyclists during **Geopark Days**, the annual celebration of the UNESCO Global Geopark South Funen Archipelago. Over two memorable days, on **May 30–31**, riders traced scenic gravel routes that wove across municipal boundaries, connecting islands, coasts, and countryside.

The journey carried participants through rolling hills, ancient glacial landscapes, and along changing coastlines of the archipelago. It was not a race but an exploration—an opportunity to experience the diversity of the Geopark's nature and culture at a relaxed pace. Without race numbers or time pressure, riders shared stories, local hospitality, and the joy of cycling through one of Denmark's most distinctive landscapes.

The Archipelago Expedition 2025 brought participants aboard the historic schooner *Fylla* during **Geopark Days**. The expedition combined hands-on experiences in **marine geology, - biology, and - archaeology** with storytelling, maritime history and seafaring traditions. Over three days the participants explored the Geopark's maritime landscapes, uncovered the sea's hidden life, and discovered how history, culture, and nature are interwoven in this unique UNESCO area.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Styrian Eisenwurzen UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria

Dates of EGN Week: 15.5.-20.6.

Contact person/e-mail: Oliver Gulas-Wöhri, o.gulas@eisenwurzen.com

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 3
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 1
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 0
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 60
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

On June 17, 2025, the first book on the UNESCO Global Geopark Steirische Eisenwurzen was presented in GeoDorf Gams, published by the renowned Springer Verlag. The book invites readers on a captivating journey through Earth's history—from fossilized snail beds and ammonites to vanished dinosaurs and ancient reef structures. Rich illustrations and practical visitor tips complement the scientific content.

The event began at 7:00 p.m. with welcoming remarks and featured expert talks by Dr. Alexander Lukeneder (Natural History Museum Vienna), Gabriel Kirchmair (Ökobüro Blattfisch), and National Park Ranger Wolfgang Riedl. Following the lectures, the book was officially unveiled.

Offering insights into the geology and biodiversity of the region—from Sankt Gallen to Gams and Wildalpen—it appeals to professionals, educators, tourists, and curious readers alike. The evening concluded with a prize draw and regional delicacies provided by the Gams Cultural Association. Proceeds will fund children's geology books for the Gams library.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Sunnhordland UNESCO Global Geopark, NORWAY

Dates of EGN Week: 31.of May

Contact person/e-mail: Brynjar Stautland, mail: brynjart@geoparksunnhordland.no

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: ONE (1)
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: none
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: none
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: none
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: none (but it was in FB-account before and after)
- total number of visitors/participants: 71 persons
- total number of participants of the **online** events: -

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Our EGN-arrangement was a boat expedition to the archipelago of the geopark, having the famous but remote stone age quarry for axes at the Hespri islet as the main goal. We invited our board, our professional advisory board, politicians, our 18 partners and then anyone with interest in the geopark issues. All in all 71 persons on the 5 hour trip financed by the Norwegian UNESCO Committee an the geopark (3600 euros). Invitations was given by mail and via our Facebook-account, highlighting the EGN-jubilee in text and logo. The EGN jubilee and network was also introduced by Brynjar (manager and guide) when welcoming the passengers. Prof. Knut Andreas Bergsvik (archeology) and prof. emeritus John Inge Svendsen (geology) from our professional advisory board contributed with scientific perspectives when being by the stone age quarry. After the trip we got 29 respondings on a questionnaire giving indications if this could be a commercial product. The weather was beautiful and the response panegyric.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Swabian Alb UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany

Dates of EGN Week: May 15 to June 9

Contact person/e-mail: Iris Bohnacker / bohnacker@geopark-alb.de

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 21
- number of **online** activities during EGN Week: 7 social media posts in total (not only our accounts on Facebook and Instagram), 3 news items on websites, 2 ads on Meta
- number of **press** releases announcing EGN Week events: 2
- number of **printed copies** for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 2.550 (*Flyer from our Geopark member, the district of Heidenheim*)
- number of **printed articles** on EGN Week activities: 31 (*Announcements in local press*)
- total number of visitors/participants: *Visitor numbers are not recorded.*
- total number of participants of the **online** events: The two ads on Meta had a reach of 23.112 Impressions, 14.100 and 887 link clicks.

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

As part of European Geopark Week, the “Brenz Adventure Day” took place again this year in the district of Heidenheim. Along the Brenz River, numerous participants presented a varied program for all generations. In Giengen, guided tours, biotope discovery tours, participatory dances, and a research station in Brenzpark attracted visitors. Königsbronn added exciting highlights with museum and local tours and a new project on the former clay pits. Education for sustainable development also played a central role: at the Gerstetten Reef Museum, visitors could “dive” into the fascinating underwater world of the Jurassic Sea with an audio guide. In the nature-protected Eselsburg Valley, the focus was on beavers, while in Hermaringen, the Danube Mobile provided an interactive experience of nature and flood protection. An atmospheric concert in Brenzpark rounded off the day.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Terras de Cavaleiros UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal

Dates of EGN Week: 25 May – 15 June

Contact person/e-mail:.....Antónia Moraes /antonia.moraes@cm-macedodecavaleiros.pt

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....19
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:1
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:20
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:30
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....4
- total number of visitors/participants:.....2042
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....471

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

During the European Geoparks Week, Terras de Cavaleiros UGGp organised activities aimed at covering all age groups and target audiences.

From 28th to 30th May, Terras de Cavaleiros UGGp hosted the UNESCO Global Geoparks Meeting of Portugal. Representatives from various UNESCO-designated Geoparks, as well as the UNESCO ambassador, took part in this event. The days were filled with meetings and field trips.

Additionally, the territory of this Geopark was selected by the ICT – Institute of Earth Sciences to hold the “ICT Field Days”. The Institute of Earth Sciences (ICT) is a research unit with centres at the Universities of Évora, Minho and Porto, aiming to study the Earth as an integrated system. From 11th to 13th June, lectures and field trips were conducted with researchers, students, and faculty members of the institution. The initiative was marked by the exchange of knowledge among participants and by the enrichment of scientific understanding.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:TERRA.vita UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany

Dates of EGN Week:17th May to 7th June 2025

Contact person/e-mail:Dr. Tobias Fischer / Tobias.Fischer@Lkos.de

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): 10 years UNESCO Global Geopark – 20 Years European Geopark

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....7
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:.....0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:7
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:5,000
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....7
- total number of visitors/participants:.....109
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....n/a

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

TERRA.vita is celebrating its 10th anniversary as a UNESCO Global Geopark throughout the year. During the European Geoparks Week, the anniversary was highlighted with a large outdoor advertisement at the Osnabrück county administration building. Among other events, geological excursions for children were organised to the Cretaceous limestone quarry Dyckerhoff in Lengerich and to the Triassic Silbersee quarry.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Trollfjell UNESCO Global Geopark, Norway

Dates of EGN Week:15.05.25-15.06.25

Contact person/e-mail:Bergliot Storruste / bs@trollfjellgeopark.no

Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week:.....2
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week:0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events:0
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters:4
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities:.....0
- total number of visitors/participants:.....90
- total number of participants of the **online** events:.....0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

To celebrate the world Oceans Day Trollfjell UGGp arranged an ocean day for children and families where we explored the bustling life on the shore. The participants got to collect and identify living creatures in the shore together with a marine biologist. Afterwards, locally harvested sea food was prepared and served. Many of the participants were surprised by the delicacies that can be harvested from our shores, and they tasted food they had never tried before, like fried periwinkles with butter and garlic.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark – Cyprus

Dates of EGN Week: May 15th– June 8th

Contact person/email: Constantina Theofylactou & Andreas Geros

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 12
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 7
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 4
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 30
- total number of visitors/participants: 800
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

One of the highlights of EGN Week at Troodos Geopark was our special event: a field trip organized in cooperation with the Geological Survey and the Troodos Geopark mountain guides. During this trip, participants explored the Troodos Geopark area and learned about the Troodos ophiolite, creating an enhanced and engaging educational experience. The **Mountain Hiking Guides of the Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark** are a highly trained and educated team. They have completed an extensive training program designed to equip them with the necessary skills in hiking/trekking supervision and safety techniques. This enables them to guide visitors safely along organized trails—or even off-trail—highlighting geological routes and key points of geological interest, all while ensuring the highest levels of safety, professionalism, and customer service. The **Troodos Geopark Business Quality Agreement** is another important initiative. It is a voluntary, evolving quality system that brings together businesses operating within the Geopark's boundaries. Participation is based on specific criteria, and partner companies actively support and collaborate with the Geopark in a mutually beneficial relationship. We also actively promoted the Geopark through festivals and public events. On International Museum Day, we partnered with local schools to educate students about the geology of Cyprus and raise awareness of the importance of geoconservation. Join us in celebrating these milestones and supporting the continued growth and outreach of Troodos UNESCO Global Geopark!

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark:Vikos– Aoos UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece

Dates of EGN Week:June 24-30, 2025

Contact person/e-mail:Haritakis Papaioannou, h.papaioannou@epirussa.gr

Special motto of EGN Week (if any): "*Eco-Exploration and Sustainable Tourism in the Vikos-Aoos UNESCO Global Geopark*"

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 5
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 10
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 4
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 20
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 1
- total number of visitors/participants: 20
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 20

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

The International Summer School "*Eco-Exploration and Sustainable Tourism in the Vikos-Aoos UNESCO Global Geopark*" was held in Konitsa from June 24 to 30, 2025, as part of the EGN Week. Organized by the Vikos-Aoos UGGp in collaboration with the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague (CULS/CZU) and other institutions, the program brought together 15 postgraduate students and their professors from four European universities (Czech Republic, Poland, Estonia, and Norway). It combined two weeks of online learning with one week of hands-on fieldwork in Konitsa. Students engaged directly with the local community and conducted four interdisciplinary projects: evaluating and proposing improvements to hiking trails, designing interpretive content for signboards along the Aoos Gorge trail, profiling visitors and tourism-related businesses, and assessing the current state of ecotourism in Vikos-Aoos UGGp. The summer school promoted experiential learning, sustainable tourism, and cross-cultural academic collaboration in a unique natural and cultural landscape.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Villuercas-Ibores-Jara UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain

Dates of EGN Week: 23 May -1 June, 2025

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 27
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 14
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 25
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: nnn
- total number of visitors/participants: 1700
- total number of participants of the **online** events: nnn

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

Once again, the Geoconvivencia, the special day for educative centres, was the one with the highest number of participants. Among, students, teachers, relatives, voluntaries and the organization team, this number reaches 1200 participants. The Geo-centres presented what they have learnt about the geopark in this scholastic year through music, representations, dance...

The inauguration day, at Deleitosa village, let the participants to admire the exhibition of pictures made by Eugene Smith in 1950: [Spanish Village, LIFE magazine](#).

A cooperation activity was organized with the Sierras Subbéticas UGGp: The geo-centre CRA-La Jara participated in the scholastic day of this geopark at the village of Doña Mencía. Our Monitoring committee valued positively the activities although wants to let a lesson for the next year in term of remembering the real objective of the EGNWeek to improve the heritage awareness: Less number of activities and more focused on heritage interpretation.

European Geoparks Week 2025

Report

Name of Geopark: Vulkaneifel UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany

Dates of EGN Week: 24th May to 8nd of June 2024

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Special motto of EGN Week (if any):

1. Please give the following information:

- number of activities/events during EGN Week: 45
- number of **online** activities/events during EGN Week: 0
- number of press releases announcing EGN Week events: 6
- number of printed copies for programme flyer/brochure/posters: 13,400
- number of printed articles on EGN Week activities: 3
- total number of visitors/participants: 494
- total number of participants of the **online** events: 0

2. Highlight most successful activities of your EGN Week 2025:

“Geotop” conference 2025 in the Vulkaneifel UNESCO Global Geopark

The “Geotop” Conference brought together geoscientists, educators, and conservationists in the Vulkaneifel UNESCO Global Geopark. Under the theme "Geosites as Learning Sites of the Future", the program featured targeted sessions for educators, protected area managers, and policymakers. A highlight was the public evening lecture by Dr. Georg Büchel, who is currently mapping the volcanoes of the region, emphasizing the relevance of geoscientific heritage. Field trips to outstanding geosites, such as different quarries or the mofettes around Daun, provided hands-on experiences and fostered dialogue between science and practice. The event welcomed representatives from all eight UNESCO Global Geoparks in Germany as well as several National German Geoparks, who exchanged best practices in geotope management and education. The conference concluded with the presentation of the proceedings, offering expert contributions and reinforcing the role of geoparks as mediators between science and society.