GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2022

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Adamello Brenta UNESCO Global Geopark, Italy, European Geoparks Network.

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2008 / 2022



Photo: Students of a Geopark secondary school who realized an all year round project to study the Geopark and develop an educational video promo for their peers.

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 35 staffs including 1 geoscientist.

Number of visitors: Visitors at visitor centres in summer 2022: 22.292. Visitors transported with buses of sustainable mobility during summer: 47.824 Genova Valley, 47.343 Tovel Valley, 1.031 Fumo Valley; number of cars parking at the main access of the Geopark: 110.820. Participants to the summer/winter educational/interpretive activities: 2.800.

Number of Geopark events: More than 200 events of environmental interpretation organized during summer 2022, almost all of them in collaboration with the local tourism boards. The Geopark's environmental educators are in charge of planning and implementing the initiatives, which include thematic guided tours, nature evenings and experiential workshops.

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programs: 200 classes from the primary and secondary schools, 15 from the high schools and 5 Italian Universities.

Number of Geopark press release: 70 press releases in the news of the Park, other press releases at a local, regional, national and international level.

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2022

- Development of a new Environmental Education Plan for the Geopark.
- Development of the new Action Plan for the Sustainable Tourism written in collaboration and signed by all the Geopark stakeholders.
- Innovative proposal of activities called SuperPark, to experience and interpret the Geopark with a new sustainable approach:screening of 11 silent films, with the use of headphones, at the edge of the forest and excursions with "extraordinary guides" (writers, musicians, artists...).

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- April 2022. Participation in the 45th EGN CC Meeting in Hondsrug UGG, Netherlands.
- September 2022. Participation in the 46th EGN CC Meeting in Sesia ValGrande UGG, Italy.
- September 2022. Participation in the EGN Conference in Sesia ValGrande UGG with two presentations (oral and poster).

Management and Financial Status

• The income of the Adamello Brenta UGG comes 2/3 from the allocations by the Autonomous Province of Trento and 1/3 from self-financing from activities carried out by the Geopark.

Geoconservation

- Beginning of a three year project regarding the realization of the geomorphologic database
 of the Geopark, in collaboration with Pavia and Padova Universities, the Geological Service
 and Sustainable Development Protected Areas Service of the Autonomous Province of
 Trento (PAT) and the Dolomites UNESCO Foundation.
- Development of a new Scientific Research Plan for the Geopark.
- Running of a training course for Alpine and Mountain Guides about the geovalues.

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Realization of a new temporary exhibition in collaboration with the Parco Fluviale della Sarca, called "The river upside down: travelling with the water of the Sarca".
- Collaboration to the activity "Youth at the Top" with the organization of a two days activity in the Geopark named "The water in all its forms".
- Launch of a new visitor centre in the Geopark dedicated to the First World War and the ancient quarries at the Geosite "Cava di Trivena" in collaboration with the local municipality.

New education programmes on geoconservation, sustainable development and disaster risk reduction

- Updating of the education program for secondary school with the implementation of disaster risk awareness and reduction.
- Creation of new projects for primary and secondary school with experience out in the field for two full days in the hearth of the Geopark.

 Organization of a training course for Geopark's teacher in the Brenta Dolomites about geoawareness and SDG's Agenda 2030 applied to environmental education.

Strategic partnership

- Local Tourism boards and Trentino Marketing.
- Geological Service and Sustainable Development Protected Areas Service (PAT).
- Dolomites UNESCO Foundation.
- Geopark's municipalities and Environmental/Cultural bodies (Sarca Fluvial Park, local Ecomuseums, local libraries, Anffas onlus).
- Stelvio National Park and Paneveggio Pale di San Martino Nature Park.
- University of: Padova and Pavia, Sassari, Torino, Parma, Milano.
- LAV, Association for animal rights.

Promotional activities

- Participation to local fairs and events, presence in local and national television and radio.
- New radio show with a regional radio about best practice of sustainable living.
- Several conferences in the territory of the Geopark.

4. CONTACTS

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