GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2022

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark/ China/ Asia Pacific Geoparks Network

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2018/-

Representative photo with caption (from the most important event this year)



National inspection at the geopark museum (to create national demonstration city of ecological civilization construction)

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 46 staffs including 6 geoscientists Number of visitors: over 600,000 persons Number of Geopark events: 8 Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 15 Number of Geopark press release: 102

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2022

First, completed the compilation and release of the Plan of China Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe

UNESCO Global Geopark (2021-2035) and the Plan of China Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe National Geopark (2021-2035); Second, organized 12 batches of impact assessment expert meetings; Third, according to the requirements of the revalidation, consolidated and upgraded the basic work related to the Geopark; Fourth, combined with 4.22 World Earth Day, 5.22 Biodiversity Day, 6.25 Land Day, National Science Popularization Day and other festivals to carry out geological science publicity activities; Fifth, completed the basic work of establishing the ecological civilization exhibition of the Geopark Museum, the promotional video "Lv Dong Mi Cang" has been widely recognized; Sixth, actively participated in the 7th Asia-Pacific Geoparks Network Symposium and 2022 Sichuan Province Science Popularization Competition (won the provincial third prize).

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

Actively participated in the 7th Asia-Pacific Geoparks Network Symposium, China UNESCO Global Geoparks Annual Conference, China UNESCO Global Geoparks Sustainable Development Seminar and other conferences organized by UNESCO and regional UGG Network; Carried out online discussion and cooperation with 23 domestic UNESCO Global Geoparks, including Yimeng Mountain, Yandang Mountain, Danxia Mountain and so on.

Management and Financial Status

Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark is administered by a unified management organization-the Sichuan Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe National Geopark Management Committee which was founded in 2011. In order to speed up the application of the Geopark as the China Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark, Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe Geopark Management Committee and Expert Committee were founded in 2016 to take charge of decision-making for major events. Upon the basis of past management organization, the Sichuan Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe National Geopark Administration was set up in 2017, which comprised its office, the Global Geopark Museum Management Office and Geoheritage Protection Department, along with Geopark Management Bureaus of Tongjiang County and Nanjiang County. In 2019, "Sichuan Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe National Geopark Administration" was renamed "Sichuan Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark Administration Office", with functions and responsibilities adjusted. In 2020, "Sichuan Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark Administration Office" was renamed "Administration Center of Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark • Sichuan". The Center hosts work meetings regularly, studies and addresses major issues about the Geopark. Besides, it adjusted Geopark Expert Committee, reviewed and confirmed the Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark Plan (2021-2035).

Sources of funding for Guangwushan-Nuoshuihe UNESCO Global Geopark is primarily from the budgets of national, provincial and local governments. The funding is mainly used in five areas, namely the construction of infrastructure, scientific research, scientific knowledge education, geoconservation, marketing and promotion, and management of personnel. Meanwhile, funding for geotourism development, certain infrastructure construction and other endeavors within the territory of the Geopark mostly came from the Bazhong Culture & Tourism Development Co., Ltd., local budget allocation and proceeds from admission ticket sales, and these expenditures are completely independent from the Geopark management organization.

Geoconservation

In addition to the protection of geoheritages, the renewal and maintenance of more than 300 signboards in the geopark is completed; second, completed the renovation and upgrading of four popular science information stations including the entrance of Eighteen Moon-Like Ponds Scenic Area, Lianghekou of Guangwu Mountain Scenic Area, Jiagaoshan Walking Road in Micang Mountain Scenic Area and Longhu Cave in Nuoshuihe Scenic Area; third, completed the upgrading project of the exhibition in Museum of Nuoshuihe area.

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

Geopark, scenic areas managers, tour guides and geological professionals participated in science popularization train activities organized by the Municipal Science and Technology Bureau and other units, which further improved the professional ability and skills of science popularization workers.

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

Completed the World Earth Day publicity Week activity, organized the publicity of ecological civilization into the community and the environmental clean of Geopark; organized the publicity activities of 5.22 Biodiversity Day; carried out the "6.25 National Land Day" activity; jointly conducted the ecological diversity research activities of our Geopark with Hunan Normal University; organized the national Science popularization Day activities; conducted the activities of science and geological disaster popularization into the campus.

Strategic partnership

Continuously deepen the cooperation between the park and enterprises, and jointly launch the characteristic cultural products of "Welcome to Bazhong" with Bazhong Natural Resources Investment Group Co., LTD.

Promotional activities

Made "Lv Dong Mi Cang" ecological civilization construction promotional video. The 20th Sichuan Guangwu Mountain International Red Leaf Festival and the 8th Guangwu Mountain Ice and Snow Festival were both held in the geopark, attracting tourists from all over the world to visit the park, greatly increasing the local tourism income.

4. CONTACTS

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