

GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2024

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Sierras Subbéticas UNESCO Global Geopark, Spain, European Geoparks Network

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: 2006 / 2023

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



Celebration event for the revalidation of Sierras Subbéticas Geopark

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 1 manager (Geographer), 4 technicians (1Geologist), 8 Park Wardens, 5 advisors in Visitor Centers, 2 administrative assistant = **20** staffs.

Number of visitors: 18.221 (measured)

Number of Geopark events: 49 activities organized by the Geopark: 22 organized by partners.

Number of school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: 43 classes

Number of Geopark press release: 14

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2024

- Campaign and celebration event for the revalidation of the Geopark

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and participation

- Collaboration in the EGN Geohazards Book. Participation in the EGN Fossils and Education WG. Participation in the EGN Coordination Committees, the 17th European Geoparks Conference (Iceland) with an oral presentation, and the 9th Open Conference of the Spanish Geoparks Network. Articles in the EGN / GGN Newsletters and EGN Magazine. Support for the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Advance on the International Cooperation with Imbabura UGGp (Ecuador) and support for UNESCO mentoring for the Chefchaouen aspiring Geopark Project (Morocco). Spanish Geoparks Cooperation project "Geoparks and Georesources for Sustainable Development".

Geoconservation

- Fossil geo-conservation workshop targeted to an educational center. Restoration and Enhancement of Cultural and Ethnographic Heritage: 7 fountains, 6 threshing floors, and 3 limekilns have been restored. Installation of 7 new panels at Sites of Geological Interest. Installation of 35 informative signs about climbing regulations. Update of the Geosites Inventory of Sierras Subbéticas Geopark.

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- A new promotional video of Sierras Subbéticas focused on Geopark partners. Incorporation of "Sierra Abrevia" trail into the public use offering. Renovation of the European Geopark corner at Santa Rita Visitor Center.

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

- Catalog of educational resources and activities. A new center, Los Alcalá Galiano, joined the 'I am a Geoparker!' educational project. Launch of a Podcast collection with the intention of introducing geology in general and the Geopark Sierras Subbéticas in particular, in an enjoyable and engaging way.

Strategic partnership

- Renewal of the commitment to Phase I of the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism for another five years. Incorporation of 5 new partner businesses into Phase II of the Geopark Charter.

Promotional activities

- EGN Week 2024, III Ecotourism Fair in Doña Mencía, Mycological Priego 2024 events, radio, press and TV (local, regional and national) programmes on Sierras Subbéticas UGGp. Social networks Facebook: GeoparqueSubbetica). II Ecotourism Congress of the Subbética. Celebration of UNESCO International Days.

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