

GGN – National Fora/Committees Annual Report 2024

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3. ACTIVE APPLICATIONS

Active application in your country: Accepted by the UGGP Council. September 2024.

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4. ACTIVITIES

- **Meetings** of the Spanish Geoparks Forum: January, February, March, May, June, September (2 meetings), November (2 meetings). Adoption and monitoring of the annual action plan. Minutes and documentation in Spanish.
- **FITUR 2024.** Stand promoted by the Spanish geoparks with activities, presentations and informative material. The Spanish National Commission for Coordination with UNESCO participates in the co-financing, favoring the participation of the Latin American geoparks.
- **GGN Advisory Committee** and **Task Force** for a Long Term Strategic Plan.
- **Geoparks Week 2024:** dissemination with a common poster and organization in each geopark of the “Geoparqueando” common activity.
- **Collaboration with GeoLAC** aims to extend the collaboration initiated at Fitur.
- **GGN 20th anniversary:** inclusion of the logo and dissemination in annual activities.
- **Spanish Geoparks Association:** Founded in June 2024.
- **National Committee** meeting: adoption of a procedure of support and training for aspiring territories and newly designated UNESCO Global Geoparks.
- **Working groups** on the regulation of the Spanish National Geoparks Committee and on the 42/2007 Act on Nature Conservation.
- **Working Group FITUR 2025.** Preparation of the 2025 edition.
- **Spanish Global Geoparks Network.** Renaming of the Spanish Forum after the decision taken on September meeting. Updating of the SGGN rules of operation.
- **2024 Spanish Geoparks Open Days:** Granada UGG. Topic: Conservation in geoparks. See results in Youtube: “IX Jornadas abiertas Foro Español de Geoparques”.
- **Other events** of interest organized or participated in by the geoparks:
 - Conference on Heritage Interpretation in Villuercas-Ibores-Jara.
 - Ecotourism Congress on the Basque Coast.
- **Working Group on Communication:** Management of the website geoparques.es, the mailing list “GEOPA” and the whatsapp group “geoparqueros”.
- **Social media:** End 2024.
 - Facebook: 6,906 followers. @GeoparquesEsp
 - X: 7,309 followers @GeoparquesEsp
 - Instagram: 1,258 followers. @geoparques_esp