

GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2016

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: **Chablais UNESCO Global Geopark (France, European Geoparks Network)**

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation : **2012 / 2016**

Representative Photo (from the most important event this year)



The Revalidation Mission of the Chablais UNESCO Global Geopark at the Museum of Geology and Prehistory, Sciez

2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: **4 dedicated staff including 1 geoscientist**

Number of Visitors: **Unknown.**

Number of Geopark events: **at least 50 organized by the Geopark**

Number school classes realize Geopark educational programmes. **93 classes; over 3000 children participated in workshops, projects and outings.**

Number of Geopark press release: **5 press releases and 3 information publicity articles. Launch of a new newsletter.**

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

Major achievements in 2016

- **Successful revalidation of the Geopark with a green card for 4 years**

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and Participation

- **Participation in the European Coordination Committee meetings in the Basque Coast Geopark, Spain and the English Riviera Geopark, England**
- **Participation in an school exchange program in Val Seisia Grande Geopark, Italy with also the Rokua Geopark, Finland**

Management and Financial status

- The financial status of the Geopark is stable, no changes
- The management of the Geopark is stable, no changes

Geoconservation

- The launch of territorial Environment Commissions to oversee the establishment of site management plans for the 20 geosites of the "Georoute"

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

- Continued development of the Geopark partner program
- Educatour for the new Geopark partners
- Training and exams for heritage guides and mountain guides to become "Geopark Mediators"

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

- Signature of an agreement with the la Versoie highschool for a three year partnership to promote sustainable development and local heritage
- Signature of a partnership agreement with all the primary schools of the Haute Savoie department
- Activities and workshops were offered in schools as well as field trips in the Geopark, a catalogue of outings was to 125 schools in our Geopark

Strategic Partnership

- Renewal of our agreement with "Tethys" the society of 40 approved Geopark Chablais guides
- Establishment of a pilot cooperation with Val Seisia Grande Geopark, Italy

Promotional activities

- Fete du Geopark - a celebration of the Geopark during European Geopark Week
- A celebration of built heritage by the Geopark in the territories first ever participation in the national science festival
- Decoration of roundabouts in the territory with the Geopark logo and web address

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