

GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2018

GGN Geopark Annual Report should be two to four pages

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark (ITALY)

Year of inscription 2008/ Year of the last revalidation 2016

Representative Photo (from the most important event this year)



**Valorizzazione della geodiversità di Sicilia.
Il ruolo dei geopark**

Venerdì 23 novembre 2018, ore 10-14
sala Auditorium dell'Assessorato del Territorio e dell'Ambiente
via Ugo La Malfa 169 - Palermo

A tre anni dall'istituzione del programma "International Biosphere and Geopark Programme" e degli UNESCO Global Geopark, l'Assessorato Regionale Ambiente della Regione Siciliana il lunedì mattina un confronto sul ruolo che lo stesso, nell'ambito delle proprie prerogative, può offrire per incrementare la conoscenza e la consapevolezza del ruolo e del valore della geodiversità siciliana e per sostenere l'attività degli UNESCO Global Geopark attivati nel promuovere le migliori pratiche di conservazione, educazione, divulgazione e fruizione sostenibile del patrimonio geologico.

Ore 10.00
Inizio di apertura

Coordinatore: Dott. Luca Chiosso, Componente dell'Ufficio di direzione collaborativa dell'Assessorato regionale del Territorio e dell'Ambiente - Ufficio staff del Capo di Gabinetto, Assessorato Regionale Territorio e Ambiente

Interventi

Il ruolo svolto nel favorire la promozione, il collegamento, l'informazione, la sensibilizzazione e l'attuazione del programma UNESCO in Italia ed in particolare l'azione volta a divulgare e promuovere nell'ambito dell'educazione, della scienza, della cultura e dell'ambiente, la salvaguardia sostenibile, la valorizzazione dell'ambiente, dei beni culturali, del paesaggio, del patrimonio artistico e monumentale dello Stato.

Ma. Rita Maria Vivanti, Segretario Generale Commissione Nazionale per l'UNESCO
Prof. Giovanni Puglisi, Presidente Società CIG, Presidente Fondazione Politecnica UNESCO Sicilia
Prof. Aurelio Argenti, Direttore Fondazione Patrimonio UNESCO Sicilia

La geodiversità di Sicilia: quadro d'insieme
Prof. Pietro Di Stefano, Dipartimento Scienze della Terra e del Mare (DSTM) Università di Palermo

La valorizzazione del patrimonio geologico
Dott.ssa Concetta Ruffino, Museo di Geologia "G. G. Ciommano"

Il programma "International Biosphere and Geopark Programme" l'attività ed il funzionamento degli UNESCO Global Geopark in Italia e in Sicilia
Dr. Ariella Alea, Clemo, Coordinatore Comitato nazionale UNESCO Global Geopark
Dott. Marcello Trionfo, Direttore locale di Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark
In collegamento telematico (salute del)
Ph.D. Dr. Mikaela Zuercher, President Global Geopark Network (GGN) - Coordinator European Geopark Network (EGN) - Director Leona UNESCO Global Geopark

Interventi
Dott. Pappalardo Bassano, Direttore Nazionale UNESCO Global Geopark

Conclusioni
Dr. Prof. Sebastiano Tusa, Assessore regionale dei beni culturali e della diversità culturale
Dr. Ann. Salvatore Gardano, Assessore regionale del territorio e dell'ambiente





2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: 6 internal staffs including 1 geoscientist. The company relies on the collaboration of the partners' staff through the "Steering Committee" and the Geopark staff

Number of Visitors: **If total number of the visitors to the geopark is difficult to estimate, show the number of the visitors to the major geosite(s), museum or visitor center.**

Number of Geopark events:

5 Geotrekking with guided visits and interpretation training.

20 Geointerpretation training in public schools;

1 Wetlands day in Pergusa Lake Natural Reserve

Number school classes realize Geopark educational programmes

15 classes from 10 different schools

Number of Geopark press release

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES (bulleted)

Major achievements in 2018

Contribution towards GGN - Networking and Participation

- Conference organization in Sicily on Geoparks and Geotourism with UNESCO National Commission, Regional councilor territory and environment and National Geopark Coordination
- Participation in 41st Coordination Committee Meeting Karavanke-Karavanwen UNESCO Global Geopark 19-24 March, 2018

- Participation in 42nd Coordination Committee Meeting 9th-10th September, 2018 and participation in 8th International Conference on UNESCO Global Geoparks from 11st to 14th September 2018 Adamello Brenta UNESCO Global Geopark
- Working with Development and implementation practices of strategies for HEALTH-ENHANCING PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES (HEPA) in local communities across Europe” nature trails with holistic approach
- Project proposal: PROGRAMME IEV DE COOPERATION TRANSFRONTALIERE ITALIE TUNISIE 2014-2020
- Organization of the EGN Week: geotours, oral presentations
- Participation at the conference "Capitalising on CLLD experiences - Building resilient local communities", on the 8-10 November 2017 taking place at Győr, Hungary.
- Contribution of an article for the EGN News letter Issue 11, jenuary may 2018
As part of its educational activities, Rocca di Cerere Geopark has established a cooperation with the secondary school “Federico II” of Enna. The school offers a focus on tourism. The cooperation is established in the frame of the Erasmus + project "Agenda 2030: That's our Challenge

Management and Financial status

- In the frame of LEADER of the Rural Development Programme (RDP) for Sicily, as LAG, Rocca di Cerere Geopark has started the new masterplan financed by regional authorities and EU.

Geoconservation

- The geoconservation is fully fulfilled through the legal protection, regulations and education, and continuous monitoring
- Subscription of a cooperation agreements with University of Catania about news collaborations in geotourism and georobotic applied on morphology, landslides, geohazards

Sustainable tourism (Geotourism)

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

- Training courses and stages during the formation process for two groups of Escursionistic and Environmental guides of AIGAE (National Association of Naturalistic Guides of Italy)
- Rocca di Cerere Geopark organizes in Enna the III Mountain Approach Course and in Leonforte the I Mountain Approach Course
- Trekking and interpretation of the landscape in the geosite Coralli di Cacchiamo. In "Salvalarte Sicilia" di Legambiente
- Trekking and interpretation of the landscape at night in the geosite archaeological area of Cozzo Matrice

Strategic Partnership

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Promotional activities

- several Interviews and articles on the Geopark in the local and regional media (web & press)
- Participation, oral and presentations, in the Regional Conference focused on Experiential Tourism Palermo february 2018
- Participation. oral and presentations, in the Conference: "THE CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE OF SICILY: GOOD PRACTICES AND GOVERNANCE" organized by Steering Committee of the UNESCO serial site "Palermo Arab-Norman and the Cathedrals of Cefalù" and UNESCO Sicily Foundation January 2018
- Rocca di Cerere Geopark attends at workshop in Carini's Castle (PA) on 19 April on the added value of EU funds with AICCRE (Italian Association of Municipalities, Provinces, Regions and other local communities)
- Rocca di Cerere Geopark attends on project "Network of ancient biodiversity, promoted by the NRN-Leader Network, aims to experiment and put in place an interdisciplinary approach
- Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geoparkhe hosts the trekker Vienna Cammarota, river canoeist and extraordinary walker, AIGAE regional coordinator for Basilicata. She has long embarked on foot the journey that in

1787 saw the great poet and scientist Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe.

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