

GGN - Geopark Annual Report 2017

1. GEOPARK IDENTITY

Geopark name, country, regional Network: **Mixteca Alta UNESCO Global Geopark, Mexico, Latin American and Caribbean Geoparks Network)**

Year of inscription / Year of the last revalidation: **2017-2021**

Representative Photo (from the most important event this year)

MÉXICO GOBIERNO DE LA FEDERACIÓN CULTURA SECRETARÍA DE CULTURA INAH

Tradición alfarera milenaria de Tonaltepec

4 de noviembre de 2017 | 10 h

PROGRAMA:

- 10:00 Salida de Santo Domingo Yanhuitlán al Municipio de Santo Domingo Tonaltepec
- 11:00 Bienvenida en el Geosito Mirador Vista Hermosa de Santo Domingo Tonaltepec
- 12:00 Traslado y "Calenda" a la Cabecera Municipal de Santo Domingo Tonaltepec
- 13:00 Conferencia "Tradición cerámica de Tonaltepec" Ronald Spores
- 14:00 Inauguración de la Exposición Fotográfica Tradición alfarera milenaria de Tonaltepec en colaboración con INAH, Museo Comunitario y Ayuntamiento de Santo Domingo Yanhuitlán
- 15:00 Demostración alfarera de San Francisco Río Blanco, San Isidro Vista Hermosa y Santo Domingo Tonaltepec. Venta de piezas
- 16:00 Venta de comida típica y otros productos
- 17:00 Programa sociocultural y clausura del evento

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2. GEOPARK FIGURES

Number of Geopark staffs: **4 staff members including 2 geoscientists.**

Number of Visitors: **1371 visitors attended at the interpretation center; the two main museums were visited by an estimated of 12 000.**

Number of Geopark events: **Nine; seven of them were organized by the Geopark's Committee together with other partner organizations (universities, local schools and government institutions).**

Number school classes realize Geopark educational programmes: **43 groups of students were attended in the Interpretation Center followed by fieldtrips, from elementary to university.**

Number of Geopark press release: **Hundreds! Newspapers, radio and TV interviews.**

3. GEOPARK ACTIVITIES

- **Major achievements in 2017**
 - The 26 of July 2017, The Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México was acknowledged by the Federal Mexican Congress for the work done focused on the designation of the two Mexican UGG: Mixteca Alta and Comarca Minera UGG.
 - One current research project and two new ones approved with financial support
 - Four staff members were hired (Soil Scientist, Forest Engineer, Geographer and Agrobiologist). The first two belong to local indigenous communities).
- **Contribution towards GGN - Networking and Participation**
 - Founding member of the Latin American and Caribbean Geoparks Network
 - Participation in two projects together with other UGG: "I am a Geoparker" (led by Villuercas-Ibores-Jara UGG) and "Latin American Geotourism Day" (led by Grutas del Palacio UGG).
 - Lecturing in the First International Summer University, Catedra UNESCO in Geoparks, Universidad Tras Os Montes e Alto Douro, exchange with Terra de Cavalheiros UGG and Arouca UGG.
- **Management and Financial status**
 - Direct annual income: Euros 27272 (concept: geotours and other services)
 - Research projects: Euros 9000 (applied to research)
- **Strategic Partnership**
 - With ministries of Tourism, Environment, Economy, Cultura and Education of the State of Oaxaca and State universities.
- **Promotional activities**
 - Participation in fairs, interviews in radio, newspapers and TV, new design of flyers and interpretative panels. Web page and Facebook.

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