

GGN - Geo park Annual Report 2020

1. Geo-park Identity

The year for initial joining/the year for the last reevaluation: 2006/2016

Name, Country of the territory and Regional Network: Wangwushan-Daimeishan UNESCO Global Geo-park, China, APGN

Joining Year/ Last Re-validation Year: 2006/ 2016



Representative Photo (from the most important event this year)

Holding the First Handwritten Newspaper Competition of Geological Science

Popularization

2. Data of the Geo-park

Number of the Staff: 180 staff including 6 Geo-scientists

Number of Visitors: 5477,200

Number of Activities: 12

Taking full advantage of such events as the World Earth Day and the National Science Popularization Day, the Geo-park successively carried out such activities as

school trips, science field-trips for teenagers and science popularization knowledge competitions, and also such tourism and cultural activities as Peach Blossom Festival, Red Leaf Festival, Large-scale Live-action Performance regarding Sacrifice to Heaven by the Yellow Emperor (a legendary ruler in ancient China), Xiaogoubei Nuwa (a goddess in Chinese mythology) Cultural Tourism Festival, Bicycle Riding Competition, Double Ninth Festival (or “Height Ascending Festival”).

Number of Classes Implementing Geo-park Educational Plans: 10

Number of News Published: 12 pieces of news were submitted to the Global Geo-parks Network with 3 ones therein being published; 2 pieces of news were published on GGN Newsletters and 25 ones were published on the official website of the Geo-park.

3. What We Have Done in 2019

Main achievements in 2019

First, we promoted the project on the Geo-conservation of ancient volcanoes within Xiaogoubei Scenic Area and the construction of relevant monitoring facilities therein; second, holding the first handwritten newspaper competition of geological science popularization knowledge held by Wangwu Shan-Daimei Shan Global Geo-park Administration; third, actively implemented exchanges and cooperation to share advanced experience of Geo-park; fourth, held two large-scale geological science popularization activities, namely the “Special Lecture & Book Donation by Wangwushan-Daimeishan Geo-park on the campus of Jiyuan Vocational and Technical College” and the “Science Popularization Volunteer Training Camp”; fifth, strengthened

investment in the Geo-park, and built such recreational projects as glass walkway, glass sightseeing platform and cliff swing, offering more recreational activities for tourists.

Contribution to GGN: Network Activities and Participation

1. Participated in the 6th Asia Pacific World Geo-park conference held in Indonesia;
2. Participated in the 2019 UNESCO World Geo-park annual meeting held in Dunhuang World Geopark, and distributed relevant publicity materials of Wangwushan - Daimeishan World Geopark at the meeting;
3. Carried out Sister Park exchange activities with Tibet Yangbajing National Geo-park;
4. Appointed staff to Tianzhu Mountain and Huangshan World Geopark to carry out friendly exchange and learning activities;
5. China Geological Environment Monitoring Institute visited Wangwushan - Daimeishan World Geo-park to investigate Precambrian Geological Remains. Management and Financial Status

Management Body: the Wangwushan-Daimeishan UNESCO Global Geopark Management Committee led by the mayor (magistrate) of Jiyuan and Xin'an County, Luoyang City was established in 2010, taking charge of the development, management and conservation of the Geo-park; the Wangwushan-Daimeishan Geopark Administration was established directly under the Management Committee in 2012, taking charge of the development and management of the Geo-park.

Finance status: sound and stable. The tourism income in 2019 reached 221 million RMB.

Geo-conservation

Prepared a master plan of the park and a protection plan for geoheritages therein; introduced measures for the management of the park and regulations for the protection and management of Geo-heritages; set up protection plates for important geological relic points within the park, accompanied by regular patrol inspection and supervision.

Sustainable Tourism (Geo-tourism)

The construction of the Geo-park has played an active role in promoting the development of local economy. In 2019, we set another 200 long-term posts and 600 temporary ones for the Geo-park, effectively advancing the sustainable development of local tourism economy.

New Educational Plans concerning Geo-heritage Conservation, Sustainable Development and Disaster Risk Relief

Prepared the *Plan for Geological Science Popularization and Educational Activity of Wangwushan-Daimeishan Geo-park in 2018*, and carried out such science popularization activities as World Earth Day and National Science Popularization Day; while making the best of the Science Educational Activity Center, such activities as “Science Popularization Trips for Teenagers” (2,000 participants), School Trips to Geo-parks (20,000 participants) and Science Educational Activities at Schools (1,000 participants).

Strategic Partners

Wangwushan Scenic Area under the jurisdiction of the Geo-park became the teaching practice base of Henan Polytechnic University; joined hands with the Youth Travel Agency, Dahe Travel Agency and Jiyuan Education Bureau in carrying out the

“Geo-park Study Tour”; held the geoscience educational activities together with Yugong School, Qinyuan Road Primary School and Jiyuan Vocational and Technical College; visited Villuercas Ibores Jara Geopark of Spain with Funiushan Geo-park.

Promotional Events

We successively held such festivals as “Peach Blossom Festival”, “Red Leaf Festival” and “Xiaogoubei Nuwa (a goddess in Chinese mythology) Cultural Tourism Festival”, such geological cultural tourism activities as “Exploration on the Mysteries of the Earth - Visit to Wangwushan” and “Trip to Xiaogoubei Volcano Canyon”, and such marketing activities as “Visit of teachers and students of the School of Music of Henan Polytechnic University to Wangwushan”, “Temple Fair and full-scale drama on March 3”, “Peony Show in Mount Zijing”, “Wild Rose Festival in Three Gorges, Yellow River”, “Cultural Tourism Festival in Mount Daimei, Luoyang”, “Self-driving Tour to Longtan Gorge” and “search for lucky dog in Mount Zijing”. In addition, we also made an all-around propaganda on the park by means of We-chat, our official website as well as media at all levels, newspapers and advertising towers.

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