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The International Digital School on Geoparks, the main training course of the UNESCO Global Geoparks Program for Geoparks professionals, that takes place every year in Lesvos, begun today with great success. The summer school will be held online due to the Covid-19 restrictions, from 15 to 25 November, under the theme “UNESCO Global Geoparks and Geotourism”.

The International Digital Course on Geoparks 2022 is co-organized by the University of the Aegean, the Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest, UNESCO and the Global Geoparks Network. It attracts world-wide interest and at the same time promotes Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark as a training center and a model for the creation and operation of Geoparks around the world.

The School is attended by more than 113 professionals of geoparks, professionals in the tourism field, researchers, PhD candidates, postgraduate students and University professors from 39 countries around the world

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1st Day – Tuesday 15 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

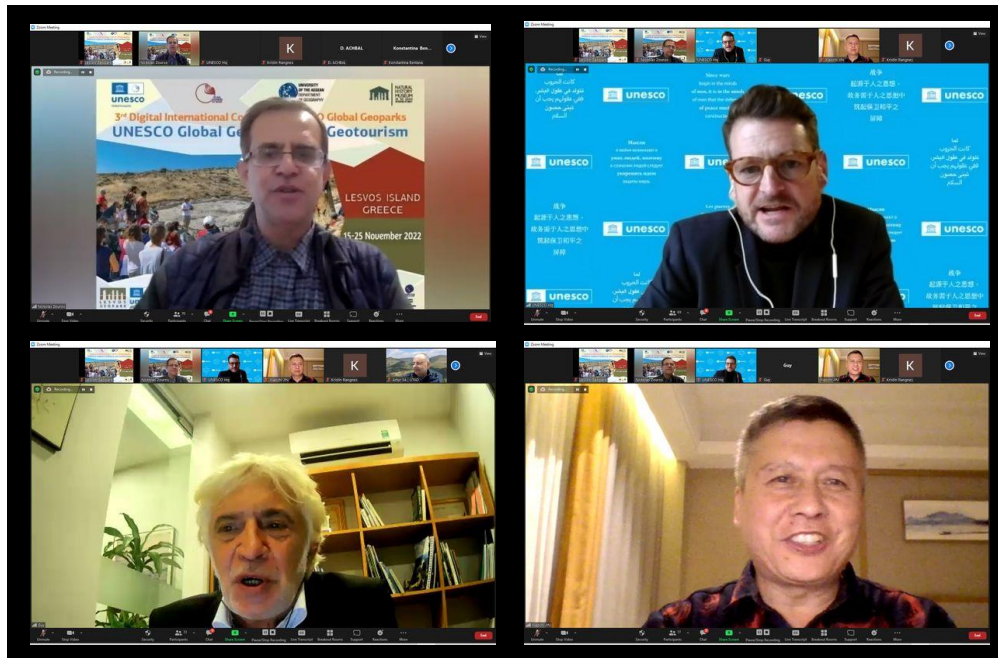
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11.00 GMT	Opening Ceremony	<p>OPENING CEREMONY OF THE COURSE</p> <p>Welcome by the Course Director Prof. Nickolas Zouros, <i>UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, GGN President, UGGp Council member, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator</i></p> <p>Greetings by UNESCO Kristof Vandenberghe, <i>Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section, UNESCO Global Geoparks Secretariat</i></p> <p>Greetings by Dr. Guy Martini, <i>UNESCO Global Geoparks Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member, Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network advisor</i></p> <p>Presentation of the Course Participants</p>
11.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks	<p>The UNESCO International Geosciences and Geoparks Programme and UNESCO Global Geoparks (UGGPs)</p> <p>Kristof Vandenberghe <i>Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section, UNESCO Global Geoparks Secretariat</i></p>



12.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks	UNESCO Global Geoparks and the Global Geoparks Network (GGN) Prof. Nikolaos Zouros <i>UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest Director, Greece</i> <i>GGN President, UGGp Council member, EGN Advisory Committee member</i>
13.30 GMT	BREAK	
14.00 GMT	Global Geoparks Network	Global Geoparks Network (GGN) – Structure and Activities to promote UNESCO Global Geoparks as sustainable tourism destinations Prof. Nikolaos Zouros <i>UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest Director, Greece</i> <i>GGN President, UGGp Council member, EGN Advisory Committee member</i>
14.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks & Global Geoparks Network (GGN)	Q&A



Opening Ceremony



The first day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 included greetings by the Course Director **Prof. Nickolas Zouros**, by UNESCO **Kristof Vandenberghe**, Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section, UNESCO Global Geoparks Secretariat, by **Dr. Guy Martini**, UNESCO Global Geoparks Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member, Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network advisor, and by many participants of the course.

Prof. Nickolas Zouros, UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest Director, Greece GGN President, UGGp Council member, and EGN Advisory Committee *member*, presented the UNESCO Global Geoparks and the Global Geoparks Network and the Structure and Activities to promote UNESCO Global Geoparks as sustainable tourism destinations

2nd Day – Wednesday 16 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

Regional Geoparks' Networks, National Geoparks' Fora and Geotourism

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	Regional Geoparks Networks	The European Geoparks Network (EGN): Structure - Activities – Initiatives and Promotional tools for geotourism development Sophie Justice <i>Chablais UNESCO Global Geopark manager, France</i> <i>EGN Coordinator</i>
11.30 GMT	Regional Geoparks Networks	The Asia-Pacific Geoparks Network (APGN): Structure - Activities – Initiatives and Promotional tools for geotourism development Prof. Xiaochi Jin <i>Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences, China</i> <i>GGN Executive Board Vice-President, APGN Coordinator</i>
12.00 GMT	Regional Geoparks Networks	The African UNESCO Global Geoparks Network (AUGGN): Structure - Activities – Initiatives and Promotional tools for geotourism development Driss Achbal <i>M'Goun UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Morocco</i> <i>GGN Executive Board member, AUGGN President</i>



12.30 GMT	BREAK	
13.00 GMT	Regional Geoparks Networks	The Latin America and Caribbean Geoparks Network (GEOLAC): Structure - Activities – Initiatives and Promotional tools for geotourism development Eugenio Bidondo <i>Latin America and Caribbean Geoparks Network (GEOLAC) Coordinator</i>
13.30 GMT	Regional Geoparks Networks	The Global Geoparks Network communication strategy and communication tools- Activities and Geotourism promotion Prof. Nikolaos Zouros <i>UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest Director, Greece</i> <i>GGN President, UGGp Council member, EGN Advisory Committee member</i>
14.00 GMT	Example of National Geoparks Network	The Spanish UNESCO Global Geoparks Network – Activities and Geotourism promotion Jose Maria Barrera <i>Spanish Geoparks Forum Coordinator</i> <i>Villuercas Ibores Jara UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Spain</i>
14.30 GMT	Regional Geoparks Network	Q&A

2nd Day



Regional Geoparks' Networks, National Geoparks' Fora and Geotourism

The second day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 included an interesting exchange and dialogue among the participants and the Coordinators of the Regional Geopark Networks as well as Global Geoparks Network!

Sophie Justice, the Coordinator of EGN, presented the structure and activities of the European Geoparks Network

Prof. Xiaochi Jin, the Coordinator of the APGN presented the structure and activities of the Asa Pacific Geoparks Network

Eugenio Bidondo the Coordinator of GeoLAC presented the structure and activities of the Latin American and Caribbean Geoparks Network

Driss Achbal the Coordinator of the the African UNESCO Global Geoparks Network presented the Geopark activities in Africa.

Prof. Nickolas Zouros presented the communication strategy and the communication tools of the Global Geoparks Network to support Geoparks visibility but also common geoparks activities and social media campaigns.

Jose Maria Barrera, the Coordinator of the Spanish UNESCO Global Geoparks Network presented the structure and activities for the promotion of Geoparks at the National level, organizing the Geopark Open days and other activities.

3rd Day – Thursday 17 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

UNESCO Global Geoparks, ‘Memory of the Earth’ territories and geotourism development

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks, territories of Earth Memory and geotourism	UNESCO Global Geoparks: Tangible and intangible Cultural heritage <i>Guy Martini</i> <i>UNESCO Global Geopark Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member</i> <i>Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network advisor</i>
12.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks, territories of Earth Memory and geotourism	UNESCO Global Geopark: recovering the memory of the Earth for an innovative Geotourism development <i>Asier Hilario</i> <i>Basque Coast UNESCO Global Geopark Scientific Coordinator, Spain</i> <i>IUGS representative in GGN Executive Board, EGN Advisory Committee member</i>
12.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks, territories of Earth Memory and geotourism	UNESCO Global Geoparks in China: Activities, tools and examples for sustainable tourism development <i>Prof. Jianping Zhang</i> <i>China University of Geosciences (Beijing), China</i> <i>UNESCO Global Geoparks Council Vice Chair, GGN Executive Board member</i>



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13.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks, territories of Earth Memory and geotourism	World Heritage Sites and UNESCO Global Geoparks: Collaboration and tools to enhance a regional lighthouse for sustainable tourism development Marie-Luise Frey <i>Messel Pit WHS, Germany</i> <i>UNESCO Global Geopark Council member, GGN Executive Board member, EGN Advisory Committee</i>
13.30 GMT	BREAK	
14.00 GMT	VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP	The Lesvos Petrified Forest open air Museum along the Kalloni-Sigri Road, a major project for geotourism development. Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark (Greece) Prof. Nickolas Zouros & Dr. Ilias Valiakos <i>University of the Aegean, Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece</i>
14.30 GMT	UNESCO Geoparks, territories of Earth Memory and geotourism	Q&A



UNESCO Global Geoparks, ‘Memory of the Earth’ territories and geotourism development

The third day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 was dedicated to Geological Heritage and Geoconservation! International Experts made significant contributions analyzing the experiences from various UNESCO Global Geoparks!

Dr. Guy Martini - UNESCO Global Geopark Council Chair, presented Geopark Heritage focusing on intangible heritage in UNESCO Global Geopark as a source for geotourism development.

Dr. Asier Hilario – Basque Coast UNESCO Global Geopark, presented UNESCO Global Geopark: recovering the memory of the Earth for an innovative Geotourism development.

Dr Marie-Luise Frey - Messel Pit World Heritage Site presented her long experience and excellent examples on Geological heritage management in World Heritage site of Messel Pit.

Prof. N. Zouros and Dr Ilias Valiakos – University of Aegean and Natural History Museum of Lesvos Petrified Forest presented the Lesvos UNESCO Global Geopark, its heritage and resources, geoconservation strategy, activities and experience. The Digital field trip to the rescue excavations along the Kalloni – Sigri road gain the attention of the participants!



4th Day – Friday 18 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

Geotourism activities and services in UNESCO Global Geoparks

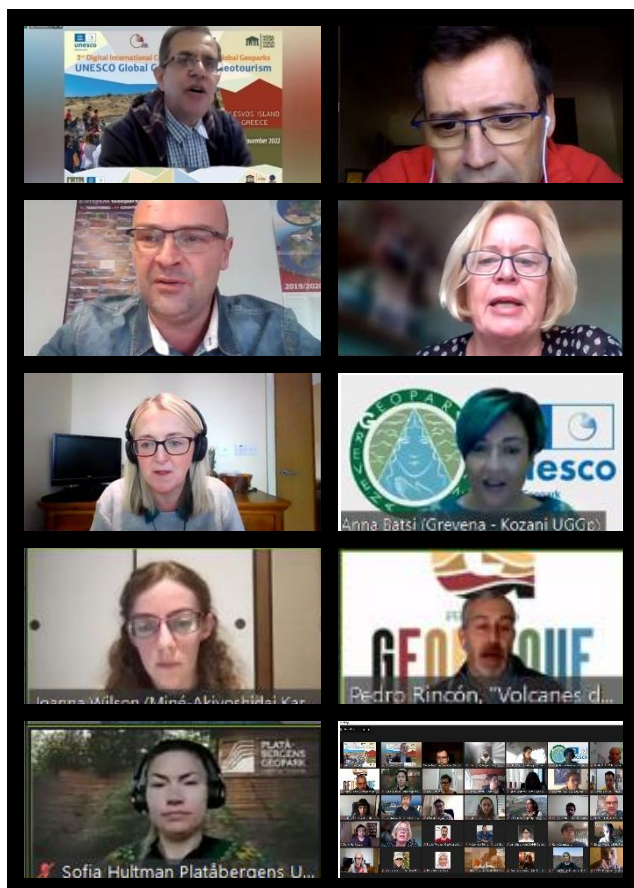
10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	Geotourism activities and promotion in UNESCO Global Geoparks	The GGN Working Group on Tourism – Activities to promote UNESCO Global Geoparks as sustainable tourism destinations in International Tourism Fairs Carlos Carvalho Naturtejo UNESCO Global Geopark manager, Portugal GGN Working Group on Tourism
11.30 GMT	Geotourism activities and promotion in UNESCO Global Geoparks	The «Green Tourism» project: Developing a green identity in Famenne-Ardenne UGGp (Belgium) Alain Petit <i>Famenne-Ardenne UNESCO Global Geopark Director, Belgium</i>
12.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geotourism activities in Gea Norvegica UNESCO Global Geopark, Norway Kristin Rangnes <i>Gea Norvegica UNESCO Global Geopark Director, Norway</i>
12.30 GMT	BREAK	
13.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geotourism activities in the UK UNESCO Global Geoparks Kirstin Lemon Chair of the UK Geoparks Committee



13.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
14.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
14.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks: territories of culture and nature	Q&A



4th Day



Geotourism activities and services in UNESCO Global Geoparks

The 4th day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks was dedicated to activities and services in UNESCO Global Geoparks.

Carlos Carvalho, Naturtejo UNESCO Global Geopark manager and chair of the GGN working group, presented the GGN Working Group on Tourism and the collective activities that promote UNESCO Global Geoparks as sustainable tourism destinations in International Tourism Fairs.

Alain Petit Director of Famenne-Ardenne UNESCO Global Geopark presented the «Green Tourism» project which develop an green identity in Famenne-Ardenne UGGp.

Kristin Rangnes Director at Gea Norvegica Geopark, presented the activities of geotourism in Gea Norvegica UNESCO Global Geopark, Norway.

Kirstin Lemon - Chair of the UK Geoparks Committee, presented the activities of geotourism in the UK UNESCO Global Geoparks.

At the second part of the day the participants of the course coming from UNESCO Global Geoparks and aspiring Geoparks presented UNESCO Global Geoparks, geoparks projects and activities on geotourism.

5th Day – Saturday 19 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

UNESCO Global Geoparks: Sustainable Tourism Destinations

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	UNESCO Global Geoparks: SDG’s and geotourism development Jutta Weber <i>Bergstraße-Odenwald UNESCO Global Geopark Director, Germany</i> <i>GGN Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals</i>
11.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	How UNESCO Global Geoparks can align their strategies to the realization of the SDGs and sustainable tourism development Prof. Artur Sá <i>Arouca UNESCO Global Geopark Scientific Coordinator, Portugal</i> <i>GGN Executive Board Member</i> <i>Unesco Chair on Geoparks, Sustainable Development and Healthy Lifestyles</i>
12.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geoparks contribution in sustainable development in South Eastern Asia Countries Prof. Ibrahim Komoo <i>Langawi UGG Scientific Advisor, Malaysia</i> <i>GGN Vice-President, APGN Advisory Committee, GGN Executive Board Vice President</i>
12.30 GMT	BREAK	



13.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geological heritage and natural environment in Cilethu-Palabuhanratu UNESCO Global Geopark (Indonesia) as the basis for sustainable geotourism Rosana Mega Fatimah <i>Cilethu-Palabuhanratu UNESCO Global Geopark Scientific Coordinator, Indonesia</i>
13.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	The Danube Partnership – Geopark collaboration for regional sustainable development Oliver Gulas <i>Styrian Eizenwurtzen UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria</i>
14.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
14.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable Territories	Q&A



UNESCO Global Geoparks: Sustainable Tourism Destinations

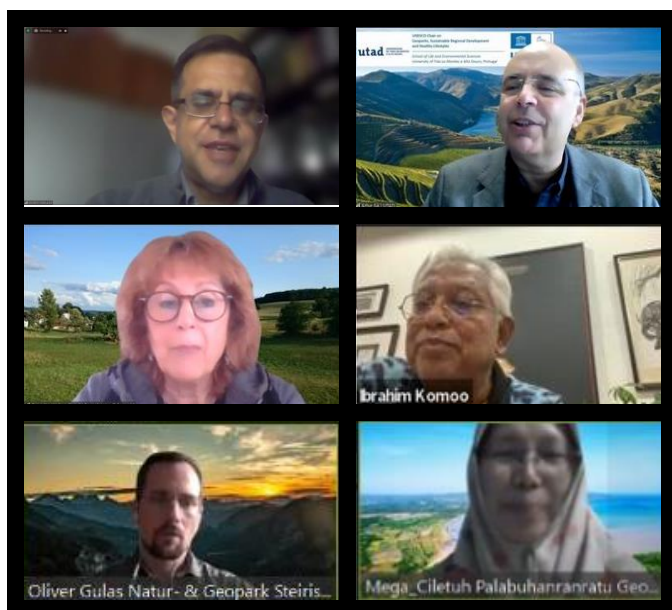
The 5th day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 focused on issues related to the sustainable tourism development and practices related to the promotion of the UNESCO Global Geoparks as sustainable tourism.

Jutta Weber director of Bergstraße-Odenwald UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany presented the SDG's and geotourism development of UNESCO Global Geoparks.

Prof. Artur Sá scientific coordinator of the Arouca UNESCO Global Geopark, Portugal, UNESCO Chair on Geoparks sustainable development and healthy lifestyles, presented how UNESCO Global Geoparks can align their strategies to the realization of the SDGs and sustainable tourism development.

Prof. Ibrahim Komoo - Langawi UGG Scientific Advisor in Malaysia presented the contribution of Geoparks in sustainable development in South Eastern Asia Countries.

Rosana Mega Fatimah Scientific Coordinator of Ciletuh-Palabuhanratu UNESCO Global Geopark, Indonesia, presented Geological heritage and natural environment Ciletuh-Palabuhanratu UNESCO Global Geopark in Indonesia.

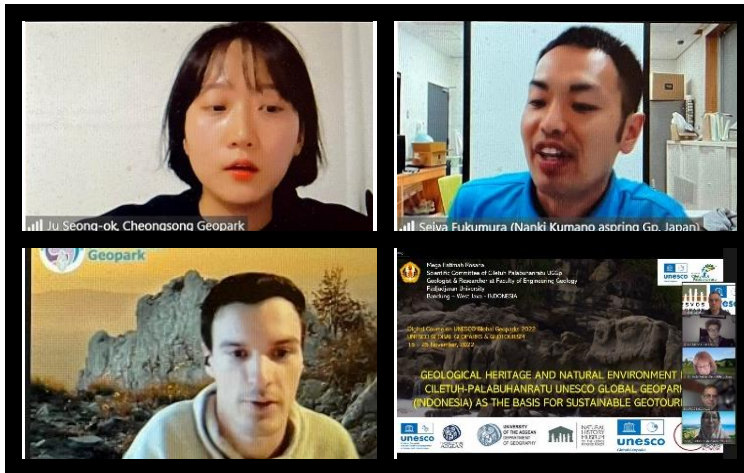


Oliver Gulas- Styrian Eisenwurtzen UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria, presented the Danube Partnership – Geopark collaboration for regional sustainable development.

At the second part of the day participants of the course coming from UNESCO Global Geoparks and aspiring Geoparks and presented their UNESCO Global Geoparks, geoparks projects and activities on geotourism:

- Ju Seong-ok presented Cheongsong UNESCO Global Geopark Republic of Korea
- Balazs Megyeri, presented Bukk Region Aspiring geopark in Hungary
- Stona Gravat-Hodan presented Terres d'Herault, in France
- Seiya Fukumura presented Nanki Kumaro Aspiring Geopark in Japan

Discussion between the presenters and the participants at the end of the session clarified many issues on geoparks and geotourism.



6th Day



FREE DAY

7th Day – Monday 21 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

UNESCO Global Geoparks: Sustainable tourism destinations

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Sustainable tourism development and local products in UNESCO Global Geoparks Prof. Thanasis Kizos <i>University of the Aegean, Department of Geography, Greece</i>
11.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Burren and Cliffs of Moher UGGp Ecotourism Network (Ireland) Carol Gleeson <i>Burren and Cliffs of Moher UNESCO Global Geopark Manager, Ireland</i>
12.00 GMT	VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP	Sustainable tourism in Imbabura UGGp (Ecuador) Carlos Merizalde <i>Imbabura UNESCO Global Geopark Manager, Ecuador</i>
12.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
13.00 GMT	BREAK	



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13.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geoparks and Natural Disasters as Field Museums, the example of the huge earthquake that occurred in Aso UNESCO Global Geopark Koki Nagata <i>Aso Geopark Promotion Council Office, Japan</i>
14.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	The new pathway connecting two UNESCO Global Geoparks and the geotourism potential: De Hondsrug and TERRA.vita UNESCO Global Geoparks Hartmut Escher <i>TERRA.vita UNESCO Global Geopark manager, Germany</i>
14.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Q&A



7th Day

UNESCO Global Geoparks: Sustainable tourism destinations



The 7th Day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 focused also on sustainable tourism destinations.

Prof. Thanasis Kizos - University of the Aegean Department of Geography, Greece, talked about the Sustainable tourism development and local products in UNESCO Global Geoparks

Carol Gleeson – Manager of Burren and Cliffs of Moher UNESCO Global Geopark, Ireland -presented the Burren and Cliffs of Moher UGGp Ecotourism Network in Ireland

Carlos Merizalde - Manager of Imbabura UNESCO Global Geopark, Ecuador, presented the sustainable tourism in Imbabura UGGp

Koki Nagata - Council Office of Aso UNESCO Global Geopark, Japan, presented Geoparks and Natural Disasters as Field Museums, and the example of the huge earthquake that occurred in Aso UNESCO Global Geopark.

Hartmut Escher – manager of TERRA.vita UNESCO Global Geopark, Germany, presented the new pathway connecting two UNESCO Global

Geoparks and the geotourism potential: De Hondsrug and TERRA.vita UNESCO Global Geoparks.

At the second part of the day participants of the course coming from UNESCO Global Geoparks and aspiring Geoparks and presented their UNESCO Global Geoparks, geoparks projects and activities on geotourism:

- Rekouti Anastasia, presented Chelmos Vouraikos UNESCO Global Geopark in Greece
- Huddleston Ben, presented presented Cuilcagh Lakelands UNESCO Global Geopark, in Ireland
- Ene (Lăcătuș) Alexandra, presented Buzau Land UNESCO Global Geopark in Romania
- Joah Choi, presented Hantangang UNESCO Global Geopark in Republic of Korea

Discussion between the presenters and the participants at the end of the session clarified many issues on geoparks and geotourism.



8th Day – Tuesday 22 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

UNESCO Global Geoparks: Sustainable tourism destinations

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geotourism development in UNESCO Global Geoparks in Japan Kana Furusawa <i>GGN Communication Committee, APGN Advisory Committee Vice Coordinator</i>
11.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Collaboration on geotourism development in UNESCO Global Geoparks in Greece and Cyprus Charalampos Fassoulas <i>Psiloritis UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece</i> <i>EGN Vice-Coordinator, Hellenic Geoparks Forum Chair</i>
12.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Geotourism development in Ngorongoro Lengai UGGp (Tanzania) Rama Khatibu <i>Ngorongoro Lengai UNESCO Global Geopark, Tanzania</i> <i>African UNESCO Global Geoparks Network</i>
12.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
13.00 GMT	BREAK	



13.30 GMT	Local and Indigenous communities in UNESCO Global Geoparks	UNESCO Global Geoparks in Mexico and Geotourism: Engaging Indigenous Communities Prof. Jose Luis Palacio <i>University Autonoma di Mexico – UNAM, Mixteca Alta, Oaxaca UNESCO Global Geopark Scientific Coordinator, Mexico</i> <i>GEOLAC Coordination Committee</i>
14.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
14.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable tourism destinations	Q&A



UNESCO Global Geoparks: Sustainable tourism destinations

The 8th Day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 was related to Sustainable tourism destinations and geo tourism development.

Kana Furusawa - GGN Communication Committee, Advisory Committee Vice Coordinator of APGN, presented the Geotourism development in UNESCO Global Geoparks in Japan

Charalampos Fassoulas - Psiloritis UNESCO Global Geopark, EGN Vice-Coordinator, Hellenic Geoparks Forum Chair, presented the collaboration on geotourism development in UNESCO Global Geoparks in Greece and Cyprus

Rama Khatibu o-Ngorongoro Lengai UNESCO Global Geopark Tanzania, African UNESCO Global Geoparks Network, presented Geotourism development in Ngorongoro Lengai UGGp in Tanzania

Prof. Jose Luis Palacio - University Autonoma di Mexico - UNAM, Mixteca Alta , scientific coordinator of Oaxaca UNESCO Global Geopark in Mexico, GEOLAC Coordination Committee presented

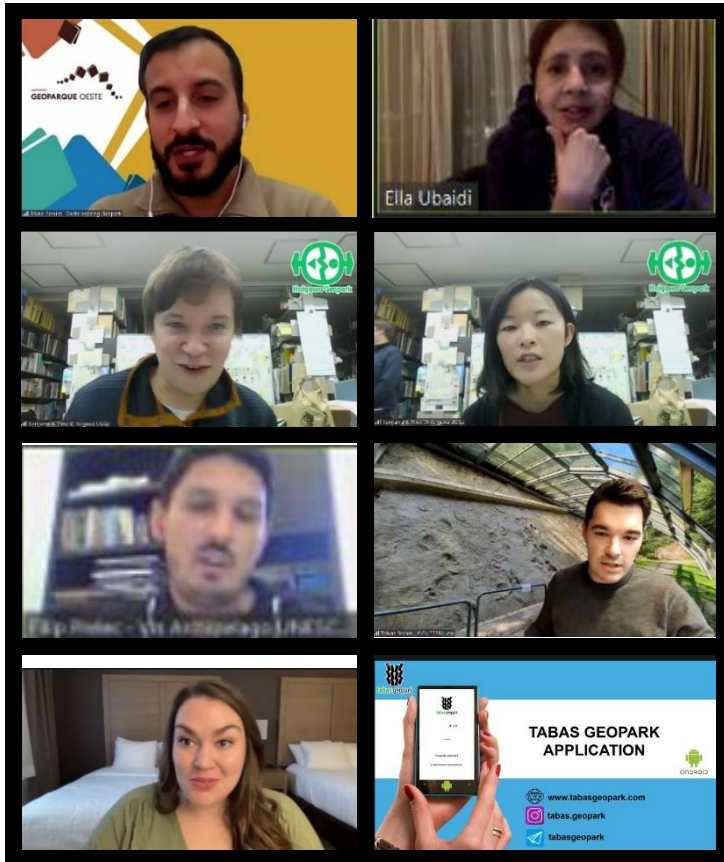


UNESCO Global Geoparks in Mexico, geotourism and how to engage Indigenous Communities.

At the second part of the day participants of the course coming from UNESCO Global Geoparks and aspiring Geoparks and presented their UNESCO Global Geoparks, geoparks projects and activities on geotourism:

- Ubaidi Liela, presented Batur UNESCO Global Geopark in Indonesia
- Pereira Bruno, presented presented Oeste Aspiring Geopark, in Portugal
- Brown Theodore and Kooriyama Suzuka, presented Itoigawa UNESCO Global Geopark, in Japan
- Prelec Filip, presented Vis Archipelago UNESCO Global Geopark, in Croatia
- Fischer Tobias presented TERRA.vita UNESCO Global Geopark, in Germany
- Hopkins Alicia, presented Discovery UNESCO Global Geopark, in Canada
- Mirhajian Masoud, presented Tabas Aspiring Geopark, in Iran

Discussion between the presenters and the participants at the end of the session clarified many issues on geoparks and geotourism.



9th Day – Wednesday 23 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

SPECIAL THEMATIC WORKSHOP
3D GeoHeritage Mapping and Geotourism development

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks as Sustainable Tourism destinations	Geoheritage Mapping & geotourism development in UNESCO Global Geoparks Prof. Nikolaos Zouros and Prof. Nikolaos Soulakellis <i>UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark</i>
11.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks as Sustainable Tourism destinations	Basic Cartographic Concepts for 2D/3D Geoheritage Mapping Prof. Nikolaos Soulakellis <i>University of the Aegean Lesvos UNESCO Global Geopark, Greece</i>
12.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks as Sustainable Tourism destinations	Managing a Transborder Geopark as a sustainable tourism destination Gerald Hartmann <i>Karawanken / Karavanke UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria & Slovenia</i>
13.00 GMT	BREAK	
13.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks as Sustainable Tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS



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14.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks as Sustainable Tourism destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
14.30 GMT		Q&A



SPECIAL THEMATIC WORKSHOP: 3D GeoHeritage Mapping and Geotourism development

The 9th Day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 had a special thematic workshop that was related to 3D Geoheritage Mapping and Geotourism development.

The presentation of the Geoheritage Mapping and Geotourism development in UNESCO Global Geoparks was carried out by Prof. Nickolaos Zouros UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas and Prof. Nickolaos Soulakellis - University of the Aegean – Lesvos UNESCO Global Geopark.

Prof. Nickolaos Soulakellis presented also Basic Cartographic Concepts for 2D/3D Geoheritage Mapping.

Gerald Hartmann - Karawanken / Karavanke UNESCO Global Geopark, Austria & Slovenia, presented how to manage a Transborder Geopark as a sustainable tourism destination



At the second part of the day participants of the course coming from UNESCO Global Geoparks and aspiring Geoparks and presented their UNESCO Global Geoparks, geoparks projects and activities on geotourism:



- Poros Michal presented the Holy Cross Mountains UNESCO Global Geopark, Poland
- Butel Emily, presented the aspiring Jersey Island Geopark, Jersey Island
- Sugawara Hisanari, presented the Japan Geopark Committee and Gorontalo Apiring Geopark, Japan
- Weller Victoria, presented the English Riviera UNESCO Global Geopark, United Kingdom
- Ismail Khardali presented the Draa Zagora Geopark, Morocco
- Fujihara Yuki, presented the San'in Kaigan UNESCO Global Geopark, Japan

- Partal Cristina Maria, presented the Buzau Land UNESCO Global Geopark, Romania
- Goncalo Mauricio, presented the Aspiring Algarvensis Geopark, Portugal
- Tsuji Shyuji, presented the Izu Peninsula UNESCO Global Geopark, Japan

Discussion between the presenters and the participants at the end of the session clarified many issues on geoparks and geotourism.

10th Day – Thursday 24 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

Geoparks Evaluation and Revalidation

10.30 GMT		Check connection of the participants
11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks Evaluation / Revalidation	Evaluation and Revalidation exercise in UNESCO Global Geoparks Kristof Vandenberghe <i>Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section, UNESCO Global Geoparks Secretariat</i>
12.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Evaluation / Revalidation	Some keys for validation/revalidation mission in UNESCO Geoparks Guy Martini <i>UNESCO Global Geopark Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network advisor</i>
13.00 GMT	BREAK	
13.30 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Evaluation / Revalidation	Evaluation and Revalidation exercise in UNESCO Global Geoparks Prof. Nikolaos Zouros <i>UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas, University of the Aegean, Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark Coordinator, Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest Director, Greece GGN President, UGGp Council member, EGN Advisory Committee member</i>
14.30 GMT	Panel Discussion	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Evaluation / Revalidation



Geoparks Evaluation and Revalidation

The 10th Day of the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 focused on issues related to the successful evaluation and revalidation of UNESCO Global Geopark.

Kristof Vandenberghe, Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section and Secretary of the UNESCO Global Geoparks presented the procedures and the regulations for the implementation of the evaluation and revalidation exercise in UNESCO Global Geoparks.

Dr. Guy Martini UNESCO Global Geopark Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member, advisor of Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network presented some key issues for validation/revalidation mission in UNESCO Global Geoparks.

Prof. Nikolaos Zouros UNESCO Chair on Geoparks and the sustainable development of insular and coastal areas and Global Geoparks Network president, and Kristof Vandenberghe, Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section and Secretary of the UNESCO Global Geoparks, answered questions and comments of the participants for the evaluation and revalidation exercise in UNESCO Global Geoparks..



11th Day – Friday 25 November 2022 - 11.00 GMT–15.00 GMT

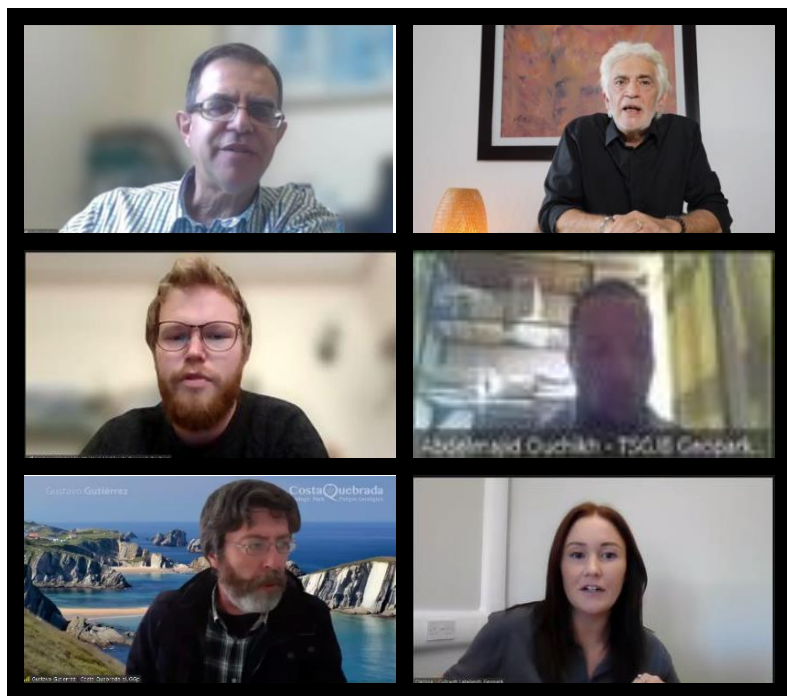
UNESCO Global Geopark building

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11.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Geoparks – Sustainable Territories	How to create a successful UNESCO Geopark (interactive workshop) Guy Martini <i>UNESCO Global Geopark Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network advisor</i>
12.45 GMT	BREAK	
13.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Sustainable Tourism Destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
14.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Sustainable Tourism Destinations	PARTICIPANTS PRESENTATIONS
15.00 GMT	UNESCO Global Sustainable Tourism Destinations	UNESCO Global Geoparks & Geotourism COURSE EVALUATION
15.30 GMT	CLOSING SESSION	



11th Day

UNESCO Global Geopark building



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Dr. Guy Martini UNESCO Global Geopark Council Chair, GGN General Secretary, EGN Advisory Committee member Vietnamese UNESCO Geopark Network advisor, presentation was about how to create a successful UNESCO Geopark (interactive workshop).

At the second part of the day participants of the course coming from UNESCO Global Geoparks and aspiring Geoparks and presented their UNESCO Global Geoparks, geoparks projects and activities on geotourism:

- Sanae Beered, presented the Tata Aspiring Geopark, Morocco
- Mak Kelvin, presented the Hong Kong UNESCO Global Geopark, China
- Beacom Clarissa presented the Cuilcagh Lakelands UNESCO Global Geoparks, Ireland
- Peterson Lilly Marlene, presented the Aruba Aspiring Geopark Arikok Nacional Parke, Aruba



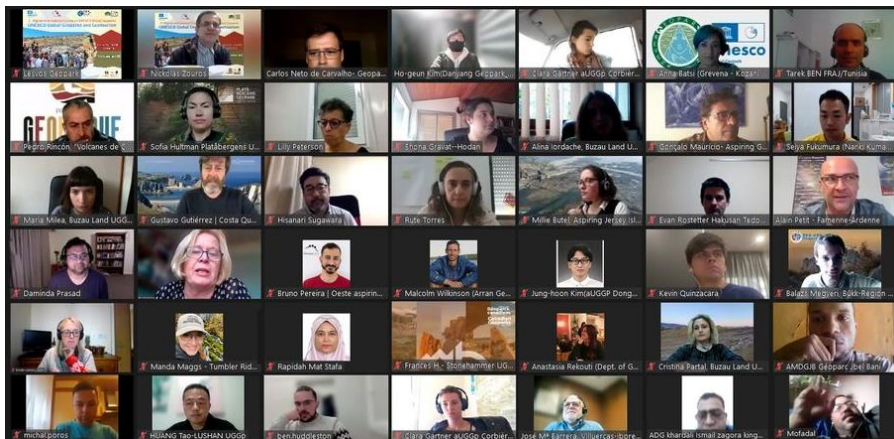
- Marco Vinicio, presented the Napo Sumaco Aspiring Geopark, Ecuador
- Gutierrez Gustavo, presented the Costa Quebrada Aspiring Geopark, Spain
- Sean O' Farrel, presented the Burren Cliffs of Moher UNESCO Global Geopark, Ireland
- Rostetter Evan, presented the Hakusan Tedorigawa Aspiring Geopark, Japan
- Abdelmajid Ouchikh, presented the sustainable territory of Geopark Jbel BANI, Marocco

Course Evaluation

With great success was completed the International Digital Course on Geoparks, with 110 participants from 44 countries, on the theme of “UNESCO Global Geoparks and Geotourism” that was held from 15 -25 November through a digital platform.

At the end of the course all the participants expressed enthusiasm for the experience of participating in the School of Geoparks, which was reflected in the evaluation process as they described it as the best training seminar for Geoparks to date.

The International Digital Course on Geoparks is co-organized annually by the University of the Aegean, the Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest, UNESCO and the Global Geoparks Network. It attracts world-wide interest and at the same time promotes Lesvos Island UNESCO Global Geopark as a training center and a model for the creation and operation of Geoparks around the world. It takes place in Lesvos every year, but for the past 3 years, due to the Covid-19 restrictions, it was held online under the coordination of the Natural History Museum of the Lesvos Petrified Forest.





3rd Digital International Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks UNESCO Global Geoparks and Geotourism



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Η Λέσβος στο επίκεντρο του διεθνούς ενδιαφέροντος

15 - 25 Νοεμβρίου 2022

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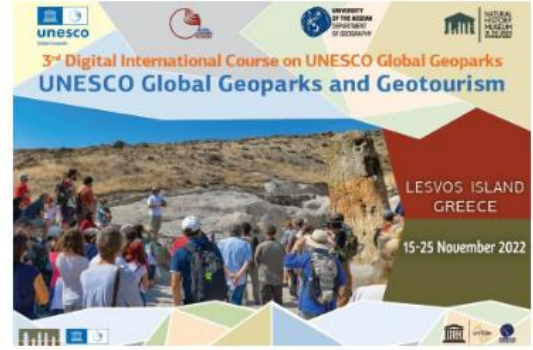
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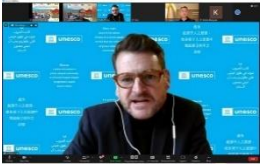
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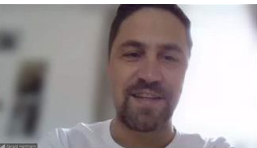
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Closing comment

Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022!



After 11 days of intensive lectures and discussions, the Digital Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks 2022 came to an end with the evaluation of the participants and the course.

Many thanks and congratulations to all the 113 participants from 39 countries for their efforts, participation, discussions, and contribution with excellent presentations on their Geoparks!

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Keep walking....

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