

## **Global Geoparks Network**

**Name of Regional Network ( i.e. EGN, APGN )**

### **Evaluation Mission / Revalidation Model Report**

**Name of Geopark**

**Name of Country**

#### **Introduction**

This should contain a summary of background information, e.g. geological summary, area of territory, management and some information on the history of the application.

#### **Evaluation Mission**

Dates of mission and names of the evaluators.

#### **Documents Provided and Presented**

List of the documents submitted by the aspiring geopark (either to the GGN/EGN secretariat or on-the-spot) as well as a list of presentations given during the mission.

#### **Itinerary**

**Day-by-day summary of the mission.**

#### **Visibility**

The aspirational geopark should have a logo and a strategy for establishing signage both at gateways and sites within its territory.

#### **Description & Conservation Strategy for the geological sites**

An account of the state of the geological sites visited during the mission including detail on on-site interpretation, facilities for the public, planned infrastructure etc...

#### **Description & Conservation Strategy for Other Natural & Cultural Sites**

An account of the state the non-geological sites visited during the mission including detail on on-site interpretation, facilities for the public, planned infrastructure etc...

#### **Infrastructure Development**

An account on the area's general infrastructure and its influence on the development of sustainable tourism and economic development.

#### **Geotourism**

A summary account of the general state of geotourism in the aspiring geopark and how integrated it is with the local tourism sector and how any such activities are promoted and marketed.

### **Local Participation**

A summary account of the general state of local participation, the relationship with the local communities and how any such activities are promoted and marketed.

### **Information and Public Education**

A summary account of the level of interpretation and information available to visitors in the aspiring geopark and a summary account of the education activities (and facilities available) in the aspiring geopark.

### **Strategic Partnerships**

An account of any partnerships with the media, tourism providers, local businesses, schools and universities which already contribute to the activities, products and development of the aspiring geopark.

### **Management and Sustainable Development**

This section should summarise the model of management in the aspiring geopark including any links to local, regional and/or national government. It should contain a summary of the financial state of the territory and mention any advances made in implementing a sustainable economy for the territory.

### **The EGN/GGN Charter and Procedures**

This section should provide evidence of adherence to the EGN/GGN Charter, awareness of the EGN's procedures and activities and show how the aspiring geopark intends to contribute to the work of the EGN/GGN.

### **Discussion**

This important section summarises the general situation in the aspiring geopark and should present a holistic and realistic impression of the territory's status as a "de-facto" geopark.

### **Recommendations**

Recommendations for geopark improvement and its activities

### **Proposal**

This is the confidential section of the report and should give the evaluators thoughts and justifications on whether the territory is ready for membership of the EGN/GGN. As stated in the UNESCO GGN guidelines there are four options available:

- a. Accept without reservation
- b. Accept but with some clear recommendations (please list)
- c. Reject
- d. Defer with clear guidelines on what work still needs to be done (please list) along with a realistic timescale (normally no more than one year).

### **Annex: List of people met with during the mission**

A list of the key personnel met during the meeting should be included, along with photographs of possible (this usually is, all you need to do is ask!)