The 3rd Geotourism Festival & International Conference (Geofest) 2022, a part of the Geotourism Development Program of Rinjani-Lombok UGGp, was held throughout July - August 2022 in three phases, namely, Pre-Conference Event, Conference (Main Event) and Post-Conference Event. The main partner of Geofest 2022 was Faculty of Islamic Economics and Business, UIN Mataram. Geofest 2022 had 3 topics, Geotourism, Marine Tourism and Halal Tourism. Around 750 domestic and international participants joined the activities.

PRE-CONFERENCE EVENT

1. Workshop & Training on Geotourism Interpretation in Senaru, 13 - 15 July 2022

Partner: Mataram University, Indonesian Tour-leader Muslim Association (ITMA) NTB, Indonesian Association of Geologists NTB Chapter, Mount Rinjani National Park, Rinjani Geopark Youth Forum (RGYF), and also funded by PT Bhaskara Sinar Sakti.

Outcome:
→ 20 local communities participated in the Training, especially women groups and tourism awareness groups from Senaru Village and Villages in Bayan Sub-district.
→ All trainees practiced interpretive tour guide techniques
→ Several additional alternative tourist attractions were included as geotrails in Senaru, namely Bon Gontor, Volcanic Landscape (TNGR) and Coffee Gardens
→ Identified potential tourist attractions in Senaru & Bayan
→ 3 geotourism packages for future development
2. Geopark goes to Campus, 27 Juli 2022
Partner: Faculty of Islamic Economics and Business & Disaster Study Center - UIN Mataram.
Outcome:
→ Followed by 50 students from the Faculty.
→ Introductive presentation of Geopark, Geotourism and Disaster Mitigation. Explanation of the features of the Rinjani-Lombok Geopark and the opportunities for developing geotourism. The vulnerability of Lombok Island to disasters, measures for disaster mitigation and the role of students on campus.
→ The next 50 participants had the opportunity to take part in disaster mitigation activities on campus and at the Rinjani-Lombok Geopark.

3. Training on Pembuatan NIB, 29 Juli 2022
Partner: FEBI UIN Mataram, Berugak Lombok, Rinjani Geopark Youth Forum (RGYF).
Outcome: 25 people participated in this training and were ready to assist 100 participants in making the Business Identification Number (NIB) from MSMEs in the Rinjani Lombok Geopark area. After the activity, these 25 people were also ready to carry out similar activities to help MSMEs in their respective/home areas to get NIB.

4. Training on Making Business Identification Number (NIB) & Digital Marketing, 8-9 August 2022
Partner: FEBI UIN MATARAM, Telkom Indonesia, OJK NTB, Berugak Lombok, RGYF, BPSDM NTB.
Outcome:
→ 100 people participated in the Training on Making Business Identification Number (NIB) and Digital Marketing, some had (new) Tax ID Number and NIB, others (already had Tax ID Number) had NIB in tourism and other MSMEs.
→ Public education regarding investment and digital business development opportunities with SOEs through programs and applications that have been developed for MSMEs.
CONFERENCE
Main Partner: Faculty of Islamic Economics & Business - UIN Mataram.
In partnership with: APGN, Provincial Government of NTB, Maros Pangkep Aspiring UGGp, TNGR, BKSDA NTB, RGYF, IAGI Pengda NTB.
Supporters: UNESCO Jakarta Office, Ministry of Tourism & Creative Economy, PT Dueton Global Utama, Bank Indonesia, Financial Services Authority, PT Indonesia Power, Pertamina Parta Niaga, TCC Nipah, mayung.id, Tourism Polythecnic of Lombok, Mataram Tourism Institute, Australia Global Alumni and 10 local MSME's.
Activities:
- International Conference
- Turtle Conservation Forum
- Geoproduction Fair & Exhibition
- Scientific Parallel Class
- Coffee Training & Introduction
- QRIS Socialization
- Geo-marine Trip

The Conference was held on 11-12 August 2022 at Hotel Lombok Raya, and a field trip was done to Geosite 11c Nipah Volcanic Beach, with the support of around 120 local community people. 417 participants took part online and offline.

The conference was officially opened on 11 August 2022 by the Governor of NTB Dr. H. Zulkieflimansyah. The Minister of Tourism & Creative Economy Mr. Sandiaga Salahuddin Uno gave a keynote speech online. Before and after the talks, there were 3 cultural performances by students of the Kembang Sembah Dance (SMAN 6 Mataram), Gendang Beleq (SMKN 7 Mataram) and the Sasambo Dance from Mataram Tourism Institute (STP) Mataram.

For the panel session and sea turtle session, invited speakers were (1) Dr. Tan Tran Van (APGN AC Member) for the topic Geotourism & Future Climate; (2) Dr. Hans Thuslitrup (UNESCO Jakarta Office) for the topic Marine Tourism & Live Below Water, Challenges & Solutions; (3) Herry Rachmat Widjaja (Director of Lombok Tourism Polytechnic) for the topic of Halal Tourism Planning & Development; (4) Agus Dewmawan, M.Sc. (Senior Technical Expert for Marine & Coastal Ecosystem Management) for the topic of Turtle Conservation Management Policy; (5) Ms. Jennifer Gilbert (Veterinary Technologist) for the topic Threat, Disease and Treatment of Marine Turtles and Post Rehabilitation Success with the Use of Satellite Trackers; (6) Dr. Ida Bagus Windia Adnyana (Sea Turtle Expert) for the topic of Sea Turtle (Lay Eggs & Find Food in Lombok).

33 presentations were made in parallel classes on the second day, amongst which 8 were done by invited experts, namely, Prof. JIN Xiaochi (APGN Coordinator), Ms. CHAN Yu Nam (Head of Hong Kong Geopark), Prof. Nickel NI (National Tsing-Hua University), Prof. Noel Scott (University of the
Sunshine Coast), Mr. Ryanto Sofyan (Chairman of Indonesia Halal Tourism Association), Prof. Koji Wakita (Yamaguchi University), Dr. Maulita Sari Hani (UNWTO) and Dr. Enas Abd. Elhady Ahmed (Matrouh University). The abstract volume can be downloaded from the Geofest website.

On the 3rd day, took place the excursion to the Nipah Volcanic Beach on the west coast of Lombok Island. Besides ancient volcanic sites, Nipah is also well known for its beautiful beaches, culinary spots, water sports, sea turtle conservation, coral reefs transplantation and many more. The Turtle Conservation Club (TCC) Nipah manages this Essential Ecosystem Area for Sea Turtle. Since 2018, TCC Nipah has protected and has released about more than 8000 sea turtles.

POST-CONFERENCE EVENT:
Women Geo-Adventure Camp in Sembalun - Mount Rinjani, 13 - 17 August 2022
Partner: Local Trekking Organizer, TNGR, Sekolah Alam Rinjani (Rinjani’s Nature School), Tupperware, Rinjani Geopark Youth Forum, Amorf Creative Hub, Sasak Creative, Sembalu Nina
Outcome:
→ The eco-print workshop was held at the Rinjani Nature School with 20 female participants (local community and Rinjani climbers)
→ Adoption of 100 trees as compensation for carbon footprint
→ A Zero Waste climbing SOP was designed
→ A Zero Waste climbing campaign video was made, which can be used as a reference for other Trekking Organizers
→ Establishment of a Zero Waster Trekkers Forum

Workshop on Geotrail and Storyline of Geomarine Tourism in Sambelia, 25 - 27 August 2022
Partner: BKSDA NTB, KPH Rinjani Timur, Wildlife Conservation Society, Indonesian Association of Geologists - NTB Chapter, Tetusign; and funded by PT AMMAN Mineral Nusa Tenggara
Outcome:
→ 20 people (the best in their community) participated in the activity and identified geotourism potential in the Sambelia area
→ This was a follow-up to previous trainings/part of the sustainable project 'Geomarine Tourism Development Program in Sambelia'
→ A collection of storyline materials that would be compiled into a geotourism interpretation guidebook for local guides in Sambelia
→ Has produced one Geotrail of Sambelia
The 7th Asia Pacific Geoparks Network (APGN) Symposium was held in Satun UNESCO Global Geopark (Thailand) during 4–11 September 2022 in a hybrid manner, onsite and online. Totally 447 participants attend the symposium (284 onsite and 163 online). This symposium well demonstrated the resilience of Satun UNESCO Global Geopark, the resilience of APGN, and the resilience of GGN.

Several activities associated with the 7th APGN Symposium took place before the opening ceremony of the symposium.

1. The UNESCO Global Geopark Council meeting, 4-5 September, 2022. The important topics of the meeting were:
   - A discussion of the evaluation of 8 new UNESCO Global Geopark Applications from 2019 – 2021, which are Huasteca Potosina (Mexico), Ijen and Maros Pangkep (Indonesia), Aras (Iran), Waitaki Whitestone (New Zealand), Kinabalu (Malaysia), Khorat (Thailand), and Toratau (Russia).
   - A discussion on deferred UNESCO Global Geoparks application from 2020: Boho, Philippines.
   - A discussion on the revalidation of 28 existing UNESCO Global Geoparks from 2019 – 2022, which are Comarco Minera and Mixteca Alta (Mexico), Batur (Indonesia), Qeshm Island (Iran), Satun (Thailand), Rinjani-Lombok (Indonesia), Grutas del Palacio (Uruguay), Perce (Canada) Ngorongoro-Lengai (Tanzania), Tuscan Mining Park, Cilento e Valle di Diano and Alburni, and Adamello Brenta (Italy), Erz Der Alpen (Ore of the Alps) (Austria), Novohrad-Nograd (Slovakia/Hungary), Hateg Country (Romania), Trollfjell and Magma (Norway), Basque Coast, Molina and Alto Tajo, Courel Mountains (Spain), Imbabura (Ecuador), Rokua (Finland), Vis Archipelago (Croatia), Monts d’Ardeche (France), Terras De Cavaleiros (Portugal), North Pennines AONB (UK) and M’Goun (Morocco).
   - A discussion of extension requests of 6 UNESCO Global Geoparks (<10%), which are Ningde and Shilin (China), Lauhanvuori Hameenkangas (Finland), Toya-Usu (Japan), Beigua (Italy), and Huangshan (China).
   - A discussion on issues related to the missions and assessment process.

The results of the meeting can be found on https://www.unesco.org/en/articles/unesco-global-geoparks-council-proposes-7-new-geoparks-endorsement.
2. The APGN Advisory Committee (AC) meeting in the morning of 6 September 2022. The agenda was to finalize the host of the 8th APGN Symposium in 2024. Cao Bang UNESCO Global Geopark in Vietnam, as the candidate, presented their preparation plan, the organizing team and support from different levels for hosting the 8th APGN Symposium in 2024. After the presentation, questions and comments from AC members were responded by the bidding team. All the AC members accepted the application and agreed that the 8th APGN Symposium be held in Cao Bang UGGp in 2024.

3. The APGN Coordination Committee (CC) meeting was held after the AC meeting in the morning and continued in the afternoon of 6 September 2022. In the morning session, JIN Xiaochi, on behalf of coordinators, reported the business of APGN in the period from September 2019 to September 2022, which was well received by CC members.

Thereafter, the election of new AC Members was conducted. The new Advisory Committee of APGN comprises the following members:

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In the afternoon session of the CC meeting, representative of each country made a 10-minute report of achievements made in the country, and shared the good practices with the audiences.

Thereafter, the CC members elected the new coordinator and vice coordinators of APGN. The result is as follows:

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**The 7th Asia Pacific Geoparks Network (APGN) Symposium** was officially opened on 7 September 2022. At the Opening ceremony, the Governor of Satun Province and President of Satun UNESCO Global Geopark Committee, Mr. Ekkarat Leesen delivered the welcome speech. This was followed by addresses of GGN President Nickolas Zouros and APGN Coordinator Xiaochi JIN. Then, the Minister of Natural Resources and Environment and President of Thailand National Geopark Committee Mr. Varawut Silpa-Archa delivered an Opening Speech about the development of geoparks in Thailand. Then were folk performances of Satun Province.
After a short break, began 4 Keynote speeches, namely, UNESCO’s supports and contribution to the development and continuity of UNESCO Global Geoparks during and after the pandemic by Mr. Kristof Vandenberghe, Chief of Earth Sciences and Geoparks Section, UNESCO; UNESCO Global Geoparks and the Global Geoparks Network: Building Sustainable Communities, by GGN President Nickolas Zouros; APGN in New Normal Period by APGN Coordinator Xiaochi JIN; and The vision and mission of UGGp youth forum for the operation of geoparks by Mr. Immanuel Deo Silalahi, Chairperson of UNESCO Global Geoparks Youth Forum.

A Geo-Fair with booths of Geoparks and related organizations officially opened on the same day, and lasted through the symposium.

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The 7th APGN Symposium had 7 theme:

1. SDGs in Geoparks
2. Geohazards Mitigation in Geoparks
3. Geodiversity and Geoparks
4. Geoparks: “Sustainable Tourism”
5. Geoparks: “Education and Interpretation”
6. Local Wisdom and Cultural Heritage in Geoparks
7. Aspiring Geoparks
Sessions with these theme were convened on 7, 8 and 10 September. A total of 138 abstracts were collected in the abstracts volume. 96 participants made oral presentations. A number of participants made poster presentations.

Mid-symposium excursion was arranged on 9 September. Three routes were offered for participants to choose. 1) The Longest Sea Cave and Abundant Biodiversity; 2) Karst Morphology to the Coast of Two Periods Trial; and 3) Land of Paleozoic History and Intangible Heritage Trail.

A Special session for celebrating the first International Geodiversity Day was arranged on 10 September. 4 invited speakers presented at the session: 1) Understanding Geodiversity, by Prof. Xiaochi JIN (online); 2) Combining geodiversity, biodiversity and cultural diversity for the education for sustainable development, by Prof. Aida MAMMADOVA (online); 3) Physical mechanisms behind geodiversity: case of sandstone landscapes in Zhangjiajie UGGp, by Prof. Heqing HUANG (online); and 4) Geodiversity and everyday life by Mr. Koki NAGATA (on-site). After a discussion on the topics, Prof. Nickolas ZOUROS made a closing remark (on-site)
All sessions successfully ended in the morning of 10 September. At the closing ceremony in the afternoon, the APGN flag was handed by colleagues of Satun UGGp, Thailand to colleagues of Cao Bang UGGp, Vietnam, where the 8th APGN Symposium will be held in 2024.
To welcome the first International Geodiversity Day and to establish more connections amongst Global Geoparks with volcanic heritage sites, Rinjani-Lombok UGGp (Indonesia), Aso UGGp (Japan) and Dak Nong UGGp (Vietnam) jointly organized on 05 October 2022 the online workshop of Geoheritage in Volcanic UNESCO Global Geopark.

This workshop was moderated by Mr. Ujji Gaffar from the Rinjani-Lombok UGGp. Prof. JIN Xiaochi made opening remarks and spoke on how to understand geodiversity and why geodiversity needs to be well acknowledged. Prof. Tran Tan Van introduced more specifically the volcanoes and volcanic cave system in Dak Nong UNESCO Global Geopark. This is followed by three talks from Global Geoparks. Mr. Koki Nagata talked Geodiversity of Aso caldera and everyday life. Ms. Meliawati Ang presented Geo-diversity and the Geotrails of Rinjani-Lombok UGGp. Ms. Tran Nhi Bach Van spoke on Volcanoes and volcanic cave wonders of Dak Nong UNESCO Global Geopark.

A discussion was conducted after the talks. Many participants made comments and remarks on the speeches. The workshop attracted ca. 65 participants from Asia Pacific countries.
On the morning of 6 October, 9 geoparks (Danxiashan, Yandangshan, Zhangjiajie, Stone Forest, Taishan, Leiqiong, Tianzhushan, and Yanqing UGgps, and Longyan aspiring UGGp) jointly launched the first International Geodiversity Day activity "Visit Global Geoparks and appreciate the beauty of geodiversity". It aimed to better demonstrate the diversified geoheritage in geoparks and convey earth sciences to visitors.

JIN Xiaochi, delivered a speech at the event, introduced the background and significance of the International Geodiversity Day, demonstrated the beauty of diversified geoheritage sites in geoparks of Asia-Pacific region, and shared the achievements of the APGN. ZHENG Yuan, coordinator of Chinese Geopark Network presented the "Colorful Global Geoparks in China", showing the geological features and magnificent landscapes of geoparks from the perspective of geological structures and geomorphological types. Prof. SU Dechen of Chinese Academy of Geological Sciences gave a popular science lecture on "The Beauty of Geology and the Exploration of the Earth", sharing the causes and mysteries of various geological features and landforms. Then, 9 geoparks connected to the live broadcast room, and carried out interactive geosites show and science popularization through several internet platforms. 14 popular science guides made live interactive broadcasts at more than 20 geoheritage sites of these geoparks. Nearly 10,000 people watched the live broadcast online on various platforms.