

IGCP ANNUAL REPORT 2017 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PORTUGUESE NATIONAL COMMITTEE

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IGCP PROJECTS

Projects with participants from Portugal: 652, 653 and 655 (Co-led by Portuguese researcher)

ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Meetings

- Participation in the 45th session of the Coordination Council of the IGCP Committee of UNESCO, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris;
- Participation as an observer in the technical meetings of the Portuguese Forum of UNESCO Global Geoparks;
- Participation in Portuguese NatCom meetings on Agenda 2030
- Support and participation in the 14th European Geoparks Conference, Azores (Portugal). <http://www.egnazores2017.com/our-sponsors>

Exhibitions

- Coordination of national itinerant exhibitions: "Once upon a time Earth...", "Chemistry between Us" and "Crystallography".
- Official scientific support to the itinerant exhibition "The rainforest of Pejão of 300 million years ago".
- Support to the itinerant exhibition "Portuguese Forum of Geoparks".

Educational training courses and capacity building activities

- "Experiences of the International Year of Global Understanding in Portugal", Apheleia Intensive Programme – Cultural Integrated Landscape Management for Sustainable Development and Global Understanding, Mação (Portugal), 30th March, 2017.
- Participation in the jury of the school contests "Water that unites us" and "Chemistry between us" in formal cooperation with Bayer Portugal S.A.;
- Official support to XII Congress of Young Geoscientists: geological heritage and geotourism. Coimbra, 10th-11th March 2017.
<https://www.penacovactual.pt/2017/03/universidade-de-coimbra-patrimonio.html>
- Implementation of the training Course "GEA – Mother Earth" in Madeira Island, with the support of the Regional Secretariat for the Environment and Natural Resources;

<https://geodiversidade.madeira.gov.pt/geoeducacao/geoescolas/concurso-escolar-gea-terra-mae-2017-2018.html>

- Implementation of the school contest in the framework of the “GEA – Mother Earth” in Araripe UNESCO Global Geopark (Brazil) (2017/2018)

<http://www.urca.br/novo/portal/index.php/latest-news/44423-geopark-araripe-divulga-resultado-do-iv-concurso-gea-terra-mae>

- Along 2017, promotion of the objectives of the *International Year of Sustainable Tourism*, with the promotion of activities (documentaries, conferences, workshops, exhibitions) and institutional support to events promoted by other national entities, especially in partnership with the Portuguese National Commission for UNESCO and the Portuguese Forum of UNESCO Global Geoparks.

<http://www.museus.ulisboa.pt/pt-pt/mostra-turismo-sustentavel>

Institutional and Community Support

- Support and participation in the cycle of conferences “Conferences of Estrela: 9 Months, 9 Municipalities, 9 themes”, during 2017

<https://www.facebook.com/events/762757913827122/>

- Official support to the “1st Summer University on Geoparks, Sustainable Regional Development and Healthy Lifestyles”, promoted by UNESCO Chair on “Geoparks, Sustainable Regional Development and Healthy Lifestyles” of the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro.

<https://unescochairutad.wordpress.com/about-summer-university/>

- Support to the Program “Ocean Alive | Healthy Oceans protected by Local People” in order to transform behaviors for ocean protection through marine education and the involvement of local coastal communities.

<https://www.ocean-alive.org/campanha-de-sensibilizacao>

Official support to the "Encouragement to Research 2017", sponsored by the Millennium BCP Foundation (February);

https://www.uc.pt/fctuc/dct/noticias/2017_05_16_AGE2017

- Support to the Workshop “3MG | Managing Mediterranean Mountain Geoheritage”- 6th -7th May, Manteigas, Portugal.

<https://cm-manteigas.pt/agenda-de-eventos/international-conference-managing-mediterranean-mountain-geoheritage/>

- Support for the ceremony of placement of the golden spike at the base of the Bajocian (Middle Jurassic), 24th July, Cape Mondego (Figueira da Foz);

<http://www.cm-figfoz.pt/index.php/noticias-lista/1875-prego-de-ouro-no-cabo-mondego-e-oportunidade-de-ouro-para-o-concelho>

- Support to the Open day of the "Penhas Douradas Meteorological Observatory", in the framework of the celebration of the International Day of Mountains, organized by the Aspiring Geopark Estrela and the Portuguese Institute of the Sea and the Atmosphere (December)

<http://pro-raia.pt/dia-aberto-do-observatorio-meteorologia-das-penhas-douradas/>

- Support and technical advice to the Portuguese candidature for a UNESCO Global Geopark of the Aspiring Geopark Estrela (nine municipalities)

- Follow-up support to new UGG projects in Portugal (Oeste – Dinossaur Land, Viana do Castelo and Figueira da Foz).

Outreach activities

Book chapters

HENRIQUES, M. H. (2017) – “The Regional Action Centre of Mação/Coimbra (Portugal) of the International Year of Global Understanding: activities and achievements”. In: L. Oosterbeek, R. Gudauskas & L. Caron (Eds.), “Education, training and communication in cultural management of landscapes. Transdisciplinary contributions for Cultural Integrated Landscape Management”, Instituto Terra e Memória, série Arkeos, Mação, vol. 42, pp. 47-53 (ISSN: 0873-593X; ISBN: 978-989-99131-4-1).

PENA DOS REIS, R., HENRIQUES, M. H., GARCIA, G. G., ALMEIDA, N., OOSTERBEEK, L., QUINTA FERREIRA, M. & VAZ, N. (Coords.) (2017) – “Research in action, knowledge in progress”, Instituto Terra e Memória - Centro de Geociências da Universidade de Coimbra, Mação, 175 p. (ISBN: 978-989-99131-8-9).

Books

HENRIQUES, M. H. (2017) – “Cartas a um Pai Natal Ambiental”, Coleção Descobrir as Ciências, Coimbra University Press, 37 p. (ISBN: 978-989-26-1458-8; eISBN: 978-989-26-1459-5; DOI: <https://doi.org/10.14195/978-989-26-1459-5>).

Membership

- The National Committee is observer member of the Portuguese Forum of UNESCO Global Geoparks;



- The National Committee is in charge give to the NatCom a non-binding opinion on national applications to UNESCO Global Geoparks.

Official initiatives

- Signed a cooperation protocol for the promotion of the school contest "GEA-Terra Mãe" with ABAE - Portugal;

Lisbon, 19th February 2017