

Ms Sarah Gamble (Canada)

Ms Gamble has been involved with strategy, planning and implementation of UNESCO Global Geoparks, having been involved with the programme since 2012. Within Canada, Ms Gamble has significant experience through her roles of scientific advisor and subsequently Executive Director of the Tumbler Ridge UNESCO Global Geopark. She has been the President of the Canadian Geoparks Network (CGN) since 2021. She has served as a member of the CGN since 2012 and was its Vice President from 2019 to 2021. Ms. Gamble has made significant contributions to the work of the CGN, by leading the organization through the development of a strategic plan, encouraging its members to develop relationships with Indigenous Peoples, and by guiding several aspiring geoparks through the development of their application dossiers.



Internationally, Ms Gamble has participated in and presented at several international conferences about geoparks. She has also been a UNESCO Global Geopark evaluator since 2019 and has been selected by UNESCO to perform evaluation and revalidation missions in China and Southeast Asia. Ms Gamble has also collaborated with Indigenous colleagues in Canada and Mexico to work towards meaningful engagement of Indigenous Peoples in UNESCO Global Geoparks.

Ms Gamble is also an expert reviewer in the Canadian evaluation of the Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Reserve's periodic review. Her professional work in heritage project development, as an archaeologist and traditional use specialist, brings a deep understanding of the importance of tangible and intangible cultural heritage to UNESCO's Global Geoparks Council.