Activities organized by UNESCO Global Geoparks. Regular short courses, trainings, and mentorship and knowledge exchange programmes. UNESCO Global Geoparks (UGGp) recommend that you move to the next phase once you meet at least 50% of the checklist and have been functional as a geopark for one year.


In case of the transnational Geoparks:
1. Explanatory document to guide transnational UNESCO Global Geoparks applications
2. Application Process Frequently Asked Questions
3. Forms for Revalidation (Form A and B)
4. Preparing the Application Dossier
5. Revalidation Missions
6. UNESCO Global Geoparks Council

UNESCO uses a unique procedure of field evaluation and revalidation missions to ensure that areas fulfill or keep on fulfilling the criteria of UNESCO Global Geoparks. These assessments are carried out by two evaluators, which are chosen from the official “Roster of Evaluators”. In accordance with the Statutes and the Operational, UNESCO in conjunction with the Global Geoparks Network (GGN) maintains this roster of evaluators who undertake field evaluations of new applications for UGGps and revalidation missions of established UGGps. These evaluators have combined and proven professional experience relevant for UGGp development (geological heritage, conservation, sustainable development, tourism development and promotion, and environmental issues). They can bring a global perspective to the individual area.

* More information: Guidelines for UNESCO Global Geoparks Field Inspection Missions Evaluations & Re validations

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Based on the field evaluation report, there are three possible outcomes:
* ACCEPT: Move on to the Nomination Phase the next year.
* DEFER: Need to improve the condition during the next 2 years. A report is required to identify the improvement. Doesn’t need to reapply or have another evaluation mission
* REJECT: In case of non-compliance with the requirements. Need to start the application again.

Revalidation Missions
A field mission will be undertaken by two evaluators to revalidate the quality of the UNESCO Global Geopark. If, on the basis of the field evaluation report, the UNESCO Global Geopark:
* Green Card
* Yellow Card
* Red Card

For more information:
5.6 Procedure of Revalidation (in the operational Guidelines for UNESCO Global Geoparks)