

Keeping the memory of past disasters



Awareness-raising tools & practices:

- Educational materials (flyers, posters, brochures)
- Exhibitions and museums
- Community engagement
- Workshops and training
- Campaigns and social media



Apuan Alps UNESCO Global Geopark

Castelnuovo di Garfagnana, Italy

Historical earthquakes with magnitudes greater than 6, as well as recurring events generated by heavy rainfalls and debris-flows shook the area several times claiming many victims and causing severe damage. Apuan Alps UNESCO Global Geopark has promoted multiple actions to build more resilient communities. A permanent exhibition with mechanical exhibits guide visitors through the Earth Sciences with specific focus on tectonic and seismic activity. In addition, several educational labs for kids with animation activities on these topics are provided by professional guides. Furthermore, the Geopark launched the “Rains & Ruins” project on the hydrogeological disaster that occurred in June 1996. The project includes an educational exhibition with an accompanying catalogue, lessons at primary and secondary schools and photographic exhibitions and movies in memory of the flood and represents a best practice to warn the local communities about the natural hazards through the memory of past disasters.



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