

## Details about Visages of Geoheritage

*Geoheritage is the human side of geosciences, where natural features are valued in relation to their societal, cultural and economic context. Geoheritage provides a way to appreciate and manage our environment, as well as being a window into geosciences for the broader public. Our fundamental geoscience is incomplete and meaningless unless it is contextualised, and geoheritage is an essential way to do this. Geoheritage is multidisciplinary, drawing from all sides of geosciences and extending them into social sciences, territorial and risk management, and economics. Geoheritage's basic building block is the geosite, a geographically defined distinct feature, and also includes collections, and buildings with natural stone. All geoheritage is underpinned by geodiversity, the fundamental study of topographic, lithological and geomorphological variability (covered in a linked EGU session, Visages of Geodiversity).*

This session calls for a continuation of the rich multidisciplinary sessions in previous EGU meetings, where diverse actors in geoheritage have exchanged with the whole geosciences community on subjects ranging from:

- 1) the integration of geoscience research into geoheritage (how can you make your research have an impact?);
- 2) using geoheritage for responsible resource management;
- 3) geosite description, assessment and protection, including legislative aspects at all scales;
- 4) territorial management and urban geoheritage;
- 5) geoheritage and resilience to natural hazards;
- 6) geoheritage and degradation risk assessment;
- 7) case studies in geoheritage, including geotourism;
- 8) remote and geophysical geosciences as intangible geoheritage.

The session is planned to be held with on-line presentations, with a physical poster session, and an open multidisciplinary splinter meeting, to meet and discuss. Geodiversity and geoheritage visages will combine in this to engage with a large public.

### **Important Deadlines and Milestones**

- Deadline for Abstract submission: **January 13th, 2021**
- Early registration / letters of invitation/ childcare requests: **March 31st, 2020**
- More general information on the virtual conference: <https://www.egu21.eu/>
- Please note that there is an abstract fee (40€), and a Registration fee – Many young researchers and those from lower to middle income countries do not pay registration, see the rules (<https://egu21.eu/register.html>). The UNESCO International Geosciences Programme Project 692 'Geoheritage for Resilience', will support a number of abstract fee payments, and any necessary associated registrations (See [www.geopoderes.com](http://www.geopoderes.com) - 'EGU').

### **Session description**

<https://meetingorganizer.copernicus.org/EGU21/session/40291>

### **Conveners**

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*NB: Due to the corona pandemic, the EGU General Assembly will be held online (vEGU21 Gather Online), and all sessions are provisionally planned to be in PICO format. This means there will be a 2 minutes introduction per presentation at the start of the session (the famous “2 minutes madness”), followed by individual break-out sessions for more detailed discussion.*