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GEOHERITAGE AND GEOTOURISM



- ✤ THE GEOHERITAGE IS DEFINED AS THE SET OF INVENTORIED GEOSITES, CHARACTERIZED BY AREA OR REGION.
- ✤ GEOHERITAGE INTREGATES ALL NOTABLE ELEMENTS THAT CONSTITUTE A REMARKABLE GEODIVERSITY CONVERING THEREFORE THE PALEONTOLOGIA HERITAGE, MINERALOGICAL, GEOMORPHOLOGICAL HERITAGE, THE
- ***** HYDROGEOLOGICAL HERITAGE, AMONG OTHERS.
- ✤ GEOHERITAGE IS THE GEOLOGICAL FEATURES OF EARTH'S HISTORY, THE MEMORY OF THE PAST OF THE PLANET EARTH.
- ***** SUCH SITES HAVE HIGH POTENTIAL SCIENTIFIC STUDIES USE AS OUTDOOR CLASSROOM PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF SCIENCE RECREATION AND ECONOMIC SUPPORT TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES.
- ✤ GEOHERITAGE SITES SERVE THE PUBLIC INTEREST SUCH SITES ARE CRITICAL TO ADVANCING KNOWLEDGE ABOUT NATURAL HAZARD, GROUNDWATER SUPPLY, SOIL PROCESSES CLIMATE

AND ENVIRONMENT CHANGES EVOLUTION OF LIFE MINERAL AND ENERGY SUPPLIES.

GEOTOURIST

***** GEOTOURISM CONCEPT OF TOURISM IS A RELATIVELY RECENT AND CAN BE BROADLY DEFINED AS NATURE TOURISM ACCOMPLISHED BY PEOPLE WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN KNOWING MORE GEOLOGICAL AND GEOMORPHOLOGIC ASPECTS OF A GIVEN LOCATION.

GEOTOURISM HAS A POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE IMPACT:

- ✤ POSITIVE IMPACT ARE RELATED WITH THE CONSERVATION OF GEOLOGICAL HERITAGE, THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ENVIRONMENT THROUGH A GEOLOGICAL AND EDUCATION ENVIRONMENTAL FOR TOURISTS
- ✤ NEGATIVE IMPACT ON GEOLOGICAL SITES AND ILLEGAL REMOVAL AS MINERALS, FOSSILS, VANDALIS.





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THANK YOU