20 YEARS
2000 - 2020

75 GEOPARKS
26 COUNTRIES
University- Local authorities partnership in sustainable development of the regions

Benefits:

A. Universities:
   • Create a new environment for the university, directly linked to the current/real problems of the region
   • Increase the concrete/practical content of teachings, based on case-studies in the region
   • Ensure places for students’ practical placement/internship
   • Generate new jobs - increase the employability in the region of the universities’ graduates
   • Enhance the university’s position as an important contributor to regional development – Increase the University visibility in the Society.

B. Local authorities:
   • Get productive outcomes of the researches carried out by universities
   • Increase the region visibility and link it to the academic world
   • Driving social change
   • Increase knowledge in environmental protection in the region.
Global Leadership in the 21st Century

Guidelines for e-Conference Sessions June 15-19, 2020

The June conference is being conducted by UNOG and WAAS in collaboration with partnering organizations. The focus is on strategies to generate positive social momentum to break the stalemate and leadership vacuum and overcome the barriers and inertia preventing effective action on global challenges.

1. Global Context for the Conference and GL21 Project: The world today is confronted with major global challenges which defy remedy by prevailing policies, institutional functioning, conventional thinking and fragmented piecemeal sectoral strategies at the local, national and international level.

2. Purpose of the GL-21 Project: The purpose of the Global Leadership Project is to identify insightful, innovative strategies and approaches to overcome the barriers and inertia preventing effective action on these global challenges.

3. Goals of the e-Conference: The June conference is preparatory to the main conference in Geneva scheduled for October 27-28, 2020 and to preparation of a final report to UNOG. It is intended as an exploratory process of discovery to raise unanswered questions and to guide development of a proposed set of strategies and recommendations.

4. Four Stages of Project Methodology:
   P – identification of PROBLEMS to be addressed by the working groups;
   A – ANALYSIS of the causes and sources of these challenges;
   S – identification of SOLUTIONS;
   S – formulation of practical leadership STRATEGIES to promote effective action for change.