

## **Geotourism magazine - the international platform of exchange the geotourism information [6 years of activity]**

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The idea of “Geotourism” Magazine emerged together with interest of wide society in objects of inanimate nature. Its main originator is professor Tadeusz Słomka, the editor-in-chief of the magazine and the initiator of opening ‘Geotourism’ the new specialization on the Faculty of Geology, Geophysics and Environment Protection (the AGH University of Science and Technology). The magazine is published jointly by the Stanislaw Staszic Association, the AGH University of Science and Technology and since 2010 by the International Association for Geotourism (IAGt).

The “Geotourism” quarterly is dedicated to discuss all aspects of geotourism and publishes original scientific, information, survey and announcement contributions on all aspects of geotourist and geological attractions, geoheritage and geoparks. Papers printed in “Geotourism” are reviewed and must have not been published or submitted for publication elsewhere, in entirety or in part. The main languages are English or Polish.

The first issue of “Geotourism” magazine has been edited in 2004 and since then 13 numbers have been published already. Up till now 81 articles has been published including methodological ones, reports, geotourist descriptions in local, regional and national scale, as well as geological, mining and masonry scientific articles. Because about 69% of the total number of articles has been written in Polish with extensive English summaries and 79% of authors are Polish, the magazine publishers kindly welcome the participation of foreign authors. About 38% of articles described Polish attractions and more than 63% presented interesting places of the rest of the world. Two thematic issues have been also drawn up, describing geology and geotourist attractions of Vietnam and Polish Inner Carpathians involving the Tatra Mountains, Podhale region and the Pieniny Klippen Belt.

The next step of magazine development is the idea to join the promotion of European Geopark Network. The staff of European Geoparks is kindly welcome to publish promotional and informational articles presenting geological and paleontological attractions as well as methods and problems of geopark establishment.

Everyone interested in cooperation with the “Geotourism” Magazine is kindly welcome. All articles should be sent to the main email address of the secretary of the magazine Marek Doktor ([doktor@agh.edu.pl](mailto:doktor@agh.edu.pl)) or to the editorial board ([redakcja@geoturystyka.pl](mailto:redakcja@geoturystyka.pl)).

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