

Novograd-Nograd UNESCO Global Geopark Slovakia/Hungary

Section for Earth Sciences and Geoparks

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Dear Novograd-Nograd UNESCO Global Geopark Team,

I have the pleasure to inform you that the UNESCO Global Geoparks Council convened its seventh meeting over two sessions. The first session was organised in Thailand's Satun UNESCO Global Geopark, as well as remotely, on 4-5 September 2022. The second session was held virtually on 7-9 December 2022. As a result of this comprehensive evaluation, **Novograd-Nograd UNESCO Global Geopark** has been awarded a **"green card"** for a further four-year period with the following recommendations:

- 1. Consider exploring additional financial sources, like state and EU-funding programmes, to diversify the budgetary basis and strengthen the financial sustainability on both sides of the border.
- 2. The visibility of the UGGp needs improvement, at least at the visitor center, and needs to be developed beyond the most important touristic site, Hollokö WHS.
- 3. While the information presented in the field or in printed material is offered in several languages, the information in the foreign languages provided in the museums requires some improvement.

With many thanks for contributing to UNESCO's aims and looking forward to a continued fruitful cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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