



香港地貌岩石保育協會
Association for Geoconservation, Hong Kong

Association for Geoconservation, Hong Kong links Chinese Global Geoparks with Ngorongoro Conservation Area of Tanzania (25 August - 1 September, 2015)

Association for Geoconservation, Hong Kong (AGHK) has always been a great supporter of UNESCO's global geopark movement. To assist Chinese geoparks in enhancing international status and strengthening relationship with other parks around the globe, AGHK had recently brought together five Chinese Global Geoparks, namely Yandangshan, Ningde, Leiqiong, Jingpohu and Shennongjia with Ngorongoro Conservation Area of Tanzania, Africa to successfully establish sister relationship for long term co-operation.

Ngorongoro Conservation Area has been designated as a special conservation area since 1959. It attained UNESCO's World Natural Heritage status in 1979, World Cultural Heritage and Man & Biosphere in 1981. The Ngorongoro Crater is the world's largest intact caldera. Its unique caldera environment has provided a unique habitat for thousands species of fauna and flora including lions, leopards, elephants, zebra, rhino etc. It also has important archaeological human footprint of 3.6 million year old.

Sistership Agreement with the first four Global Geoparks was signed on 27 August, 2015 at the 2015 Chinese Volcanic Geoparks Forum held in Yandangshan, Zhejiang. The signing agreement with Shennongjia Global Geopark was held in their office on 30 August, 2015. Shennongjia Global Geopark has been a Man and Biosphere site since 1990 and acquired the global geopark status in 2014 for its significant geological heritage such as having the complete set of strata formed in Mesoproterozoic and the diabase dyke exposed in the Geopark providing good evidence to the splitting of Rodinia supercontinent in geological history of the Earth.

The sister relationship assures a long term co-operation in scientific research and exchange of management and conservation experiences between respective geopark and the Conservation Area

Ngorongoro Conservation Area's Chief Executive signing Sistership Agreement with the Chinese geoparks on 27 Aug. 2015



Ningde





香港地貌岩石保育協會
Association for Geoconservation, Hong Kong

Leiqiong

Yandangshan



**Ngorongoro Conservation Area's Chief Executive signing Sistership Agreement with Shennongjia
on 30 Aug. 2015**

