



Announcing two geoheritage activities at GSA 2019

From national parks to private fossil quarries to former mining areas, geoheritage sites play a pivotal role in developing scientific and public understanding of Earth history and advancing scientific knowledge about societally important topics. The U.S. Advisory Group for Geoheritage and Geoparks is co-sponsoring two related activities at this year's GSA meeting:

Short Course #505: Geoheritage: Concepts and Methods for Sharing Earth's Legacy for Economic, Societal, and Scientific Advancement

Led by José Brilha (University of Minho, Portugal), a global geoheritage expert, and including presentations, discussions, and a day-long field trip, this two-day course will review fundamental geoheritage concepts and state-of-the-art geoconservation methods as well as explore the potential for harnessing geoheritage themes to preserve geological sites, enhance geoeducation efforts, and boost rural economic development. Co-sponsored by: *Association of American State Geologists; Arizona Geological Survey; Geological Society of America; American Geosciences Institute; U.S. Geological Survey; National Park Service; National Association of Geoscience Teachers*

Dates: Sept. 20-21 **Course fee:** \$150 (includes registration and field trip transportation)

***Early registration deadline:** August 19th

Technical Session T184: Geoheritage: Sharing Earth's Legacy for Scientific, Societal, and Economic Advancement

This session will highlight the relevance of geoheritage; explore the history, current status, and future of the geoheritage movement; and explore geoheritage's potential for boosting rural economic development and increasing public interest in the geosciences. Co-sponsored by: *GSA Geology and Society Division; GSA History and Philosophy of Geology Division; Association of American State Geologists; National Association of Geoscience Teachers; American Geosciences Institute; National Park Service; U.S. Geological Survey; U.S. National Committee for the International Union of Geological Sciences of the National Academy of Sciences; GSA Geoscience Education Division*

***Abstract submission deadline:** June 25th

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