GEOFEST 2024 SYDNEY WORKSHOP



AN INDONESIA-AUSTRALIA GEOTOURISM COLLABORATION PROJECT 'The Volcano as a World Class Sustainable Geotourism Destination'.

18-19 July 2024

The GeoFestival and International Geotourism Conference is initiated by the Indonesian Geoparks Network (IGN) which is a geopark network in Indonesia comprising 10 UNESCO Global Geoparks and more than 10 national geoparks.

GFIC includes a one-day workshop in a partner country, this year in Australia. The GEOFEST 2024 Sydney Workshop represents a direct response to a recent MOU arranged between the Australian Geoscience Council Inc (AGC) and the IGN. It is an international event open to geoscientists, environmental professionals, educators, students, and tourism operators. The focus of the workshop is on building a strategy framework for geotourism development.

The GEOFEST 2024 Sydney Workshop is being held at The University of Sydney on Thursday 18 July concluding with a formal dinner. Field trips to the Blue Mountains WHA, the Ku-ring-gai GeoRegion, and to South Coast volcanics at Kiama on the following day, with an optional wildlife tourism session on the Saturday. The Workshop, to be addressed by invited speakers from both Indonesia and Australia, will focus on a range of topics relevant to volcanic geotourism destinations as well as discussing employment opportunities for geoscientists.

This event is being hosted by the AGC, IGN, and The University of Sydney and co-hosted by generous sponsorship from various AGC societies, their Sydney based groups, and the Sydney Minerals Discussion Group (SMEDG). With ticket prices set an a highly affordable level to maximise participation, 'early bird' registrations are now available until 17th June at www.geofest.com.au.

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