



Press release

On the way to UNESCO revalidation!

Percé, June 9th, 2022 -In April 2018, the UNESCO Global Geopark of Percé received the prestigious UNESCO accreditation. Four years later, the Geopark of Percé is preparing to welcome two evaluators for revalidation. The Geopark team is pleased to welcome Mrs. Allesia Amorfini from the Apuane Geopark in Italy and Mr. Jean-Luc Desbois from the Massif des Bauges Geopark in France.

What is a UNESCO Global Geopark?

UNESCO Global Geoparks are geographical areas where sites and landscapes of international geological significance are managed according to a global concept of protection, education and sustainable development. Their “bottom up” approach combines conservation and sustainable development while involving local communities. Elsewhere in the country and around the world, Percé is often cited as a reference, since it was itself founded through a social solidarity cooperative.¹.

“Having UNESCO accreditation in Percé proves the preciousness of our landscape through its geological, cultural and heritage heritage. This is a unique opportunity to show colleagues from other Geoparks around the world how unique our territory is to explore. »

- Jonathan Blais, director general of the Percé UNESCO Global Geopark



Photo : Roger Saint-Laurent

¹ [What is a geopark - Geopark of Percé \(geoparcdeperce.com\)](http://www.geoparcdeperce.com)

What is a revalidation mission?

UNESCO uses a unique on-the-ground assessment procedure to ensure that areas meet or continue to meet UNESCO Global Geopark criteria. Evaluators verify the details given in the Revalidation Reports which consist of a comprehensive report highlighting the particular progress, advancements and achievements of the Geopark. These evaluators have cumulative and proven professional experience relevant to the development of UNESCO Global Geoparks (geological heritage, conservation, sustainable development, tourism development and promotion, environmental issues).

“The revalidation mission is a golden opportunity for the entire community of Percé to come together and work together for a common goal: to offer a great tourist experience to all visitors and locals. »

-Max Deck-Léger, Head of Science and Education of the UNESCO Global Geopark of Percé.

UNESCO accreditation is an asset for sustainable development on the territory of the Geopark of Percé. This is an opportunity to showcase the partners and founding members and demonstrate the community spirit that makes the city of Percé a world-renowned tourism destination.

The UNESCO Global Geopark of Percé on social networks:

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