

Report on Geopark guide training course in Unzen volcanic area geopark

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Between September 2008 and March 2009, Geopark guide training course was held in Unzen volcanic area geopark. Six teachers gave a lecture about different their field including manners in outdoor. Participants learned skill in guide practically from four times fieldworks. This field activity program will be effective.

Over 80 people enrolled in the course, contrary to our expectations. Many Participants are active in the existing guide tour - the historical, disaster and botanical ,for example. We hope they tell travelers geology in the existing guide tour.

Some Participants are not so good at speaking in the presence of others, however they interested in geopark. Unzen volcanic area Geopark Promoting Office is preparing a handbook of geopark guide. It is necessary to plan practical training course participants can improve their skill in guide.