

Educational program of Hakone Geopark project aims to the fusion of nature and history; Museum should play role.

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Hakone is a region blessed with rich natural, historical and cultural valuable have been formed. There is also close to the metropolitan area, has become one of Japan's international tourist destination for more than 30 million tourists visit every year from home and abroad. Odawara-shi, Hakone-machi, Manazuru-machi and Yugawara-machi are advancing towards the certified activities Geopark. The purposes of this activity are that the resources, including the geology of the region and maintain conservation historical, cultural and ecological resources and raise its value.

Including the Kanagawa Prefectural Museum of Natural History, the museum facility in the region, as expected of a large facility based in Geopark.

The largest museum facility should play a role is still considered to be education. That local people are familiar with the culture, nature and history of the region should be at the origin of the activities of the Geopark. I would like to think about how you go to expand the educational activities to the people of the region. Educational activities that combine nature and history of the Hakone area, I want to go forward. To that end, staff of the museum facilities in Hakone Region to work together with a common understanding is essential.

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