Joint Management of Geopark and Biosphere Reserve - The Case Study in the Hakusan Tedorigawa National Geopark in Japan

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Area of the Hakusan Tedorigawa National Geopark (GP) in Japan is partly overlapped with that of Hakusan Biosphere Reserve (BR). The organizing committee of the Hakusan Tedorigawa GP has started to manage Hakusan BR for making to coexist these two programs within the same region (see our poster presentation for in details).

As well known, both program is controlled by UNESCO, and the purposes of these programs are became almost the same after the Sevilla strategy of BR in 2002 as follows.

- Conservation the regional nature and natural heritage
- Encourage the scientific research and education for regional nature
- Encourage the local community and economy though the scientific based sustainable using the regional natural resource

The local ecological diversity can’t exist without local geodiversity. Furthermore, the local geo-diversity provides much of effect for the local people through the local ecosystem. Fundamentally, the general ideas of these two programs are inseparable. On the other hand, these two programs must be separate on the park system. The authors think that it is necessary to take care following points to for making to coexist these two programs.

For inside of the park
- promoting the scientific relationships between two programs
- making relationships between organizing committees of each program
- organizing the TPO for using each brand and trademark
- organizing budget and human resources

For outside of the park
- promoting the scientific relationships between two programs
- organizing the methods for advertises these two programs

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