

An example of geopark education practiced by cooperation between private organizations

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In the Tateyama Kurobe area, abundant water resources exist in the vicinity of residents as a characteristic of the local social environment before Geopark accreditation, and its importance was also recognized, conservation educational activities of the water environment are active. However, the residents did not consider the geohistory of the Tateyama Mountains and the history in the composite fan delta to be involved in the formation of the water environment. Currently, Tateyama Kurobe Geopark focuses on this point and has put human resources into learning activities in the water environment.

Toyama Water and Culture Foundation has been continuously supporting children's water related learning activities from 2003, through projects targeted at elementary schools and other organizations in Toyama Prefecture. Tateyama Kurobe Geopark has participated in this activity since 2013, a Japanese geopark associate member, and dispatches staff to the site as a learning instructor of "Geopark Expedition Team".

This activity is televised all over Toyama prefecture with the cooperation of private broadcasting stations and also plays a major role in spreading the principle of geopark activities. Toyama Water and Culture Foundation was able to obtain the result that the conservation educational activities of the new cut water environment started to move. Tateyama Kurobe Geopark was also able to gain a new reciprocal relationship between private organizations.

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