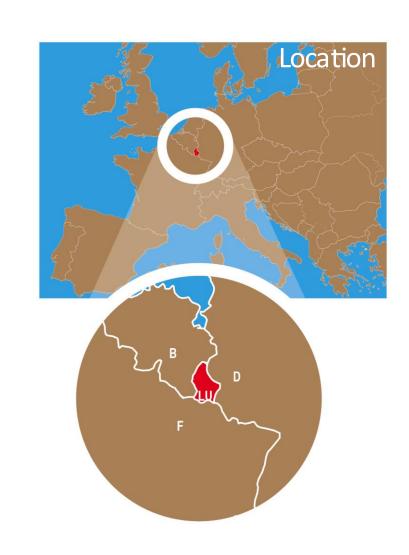


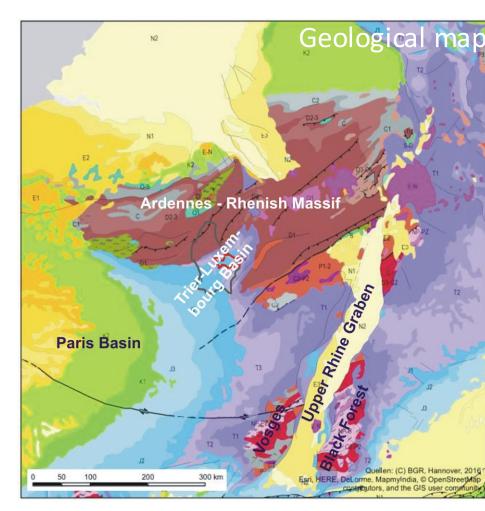
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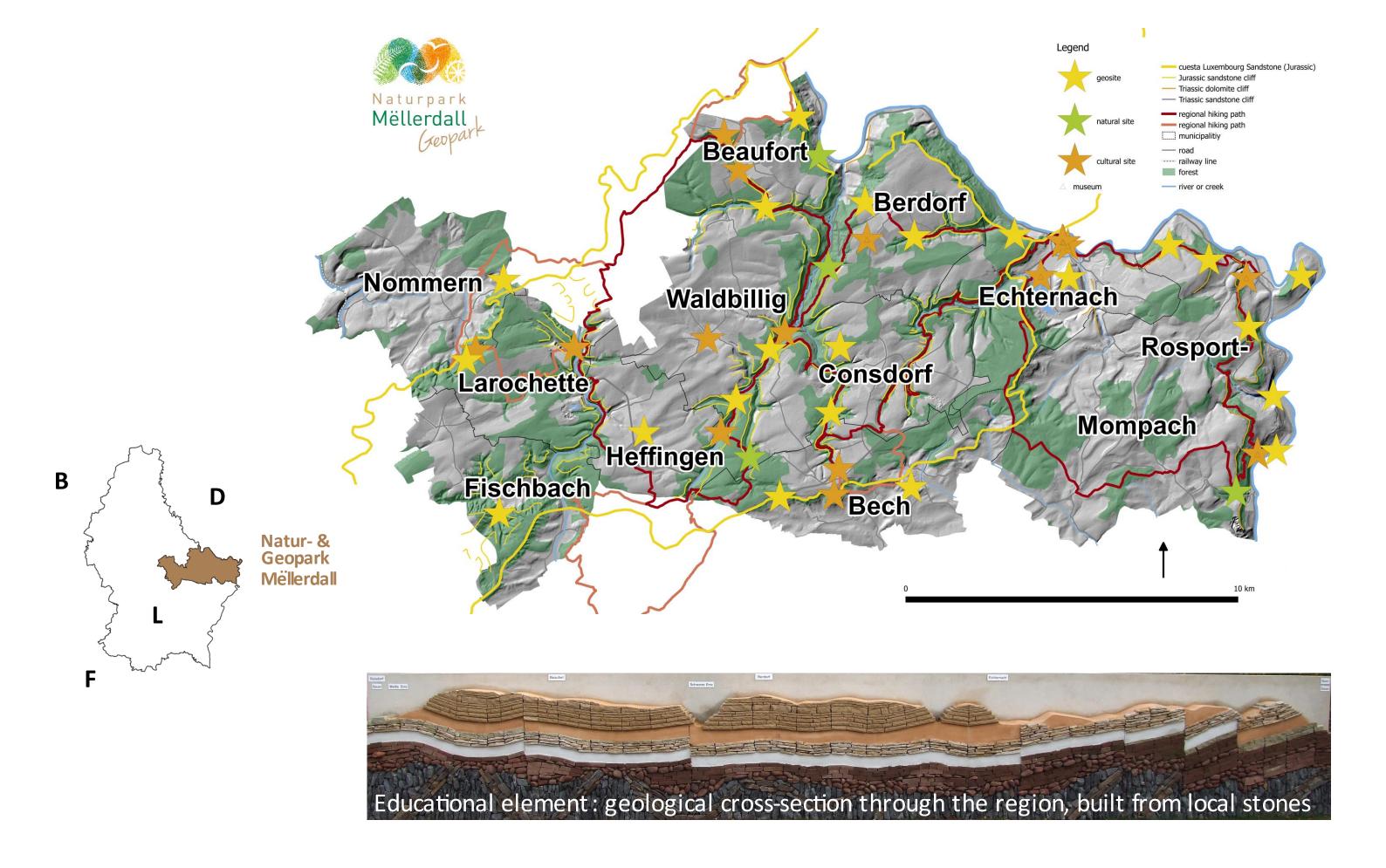
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The Region

- 11 municipalities with 25.500 inhabitants
- 256 km² rural area: 39 % forests, 56 % agricultural land
- One of the most impressive sandstone landscapes in Western Europe
- A small-scaled cuesta landscape
- Nearly fully self-sufficiency in drinking water supply

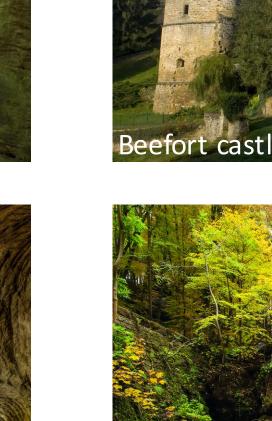






Important natural and cultural heritage

















Management structure, aims and objectives

National legislation

Abandoned millstone quarry Huel Lee

The park is a recognized body under national legislation (Law of 10th August 1993 on Nature Parks). It was established by decree of 17th March 2016.

The objectives as defined in legislation are:

- preservation and restauration of its high -value natural and cultural heritage,
- protection of air, water and soil quality,
- promotion and orientation of economic and sociocultural development and improvement of employment possibilities and local quality of life,
- promotion and orientation of touristic and leisure activities.

Regionally defined objectives

The overall concept has been developed in a bottom -up approach by local people, municipalities and national institutions and is defined in a master plan. Guiding themes are:

- development and promotion of regional products and regional timber,
- self-sufficiency in drinking water,
- diversity of landscapes,
- transfer of knowledge and
- preserving the region for all creatures and inhabitants.

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Committee / Executive Board

19 members: local municipalities and governmental organisations* with regional majority, represented by a

Bureau / Executive Bureau

5 members of executive board with regional majority

Advisory Committe

1 Managing Director

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Society

regional develop

Administration office staff (2 people

- Permanent tasks Ecological service
- Education
- Groundwater protection
- Regional economy
- Regional products Taste School
- Natura-2000-Management
- Communication

Temporary projects

- INTERREG VA Dry stone walls
- LEADER Green economy Local timber
- LIFE-IP ZENAPA (climate and nature protection)
- * Ministry of Energy and Spatial Planning (Spatial Planning); Ministry of Environment, Climate and Sustainable Development (Nature and Forest Management, Water Management); Ministry of Agriculture, Viticulture and Rural Development; Ministry of Culture; Ministry of Home Affaires; Ministry of the Economy - DG Tourism

Regional and national partners

Regional Tourism Organisation Mullerthal Region - Luxembourg's Little Switzerland: Geotourism

Education (Naturerliefnisschoul, Regional Museums)

National Institutions: CNRA (Archaeology), MNHN (Muesum of Natural History), SGL (Geological Survey); SSMN (Historical Monuments); Commission for the Protection of the Sandstone Landscape

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