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# GEOLOGY FOR EVERYONE MADE IN SWITZERLAND

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# Chocolate... and what else!





### Content

- One project
- Five modules
  - Geological guidebook
  - Combined hiking and geological map
  - Smartphone application
  - National events and meetings
  - Survey in communities and schools
- One future

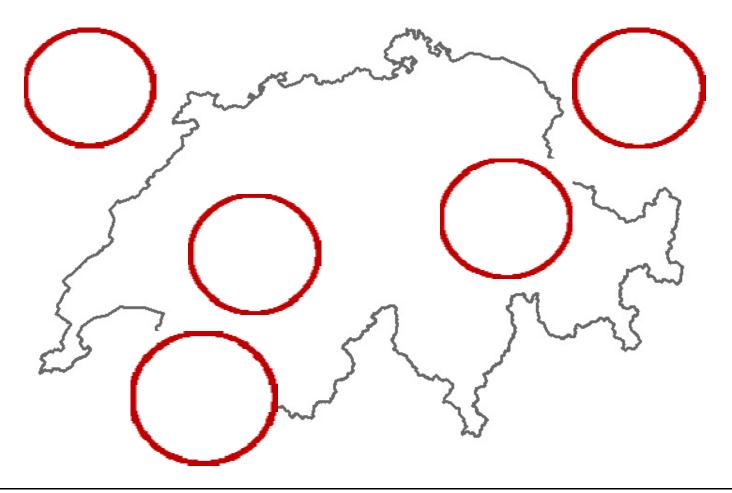


# One project - Geology for everyone

- Increase accessibility geological information
- Possibility to attract a wide target audience
- Simplify at various levels
- Harmonize popularization of geological topics
- Improve coordination of activities
- Gain experience through 5 modules
- Develop public science strategies



# Location of the 5 modules





# Geological Guidebook Val de Bagnes

- Opportunity to directly contribute to a popular scientific publication
- Gain experience with geological guidebooks
- Concept for a series of future geological guidebooks
  - Standard model
  - Guidelines
  - Offer one centralized publication channel



# **Combined map Tectonic Arena Sardona**



- Combination of 2 products of the Federal Office of Topography swisstopo:
  - Hiking maps
  - Geological maps
- Additional geological information, a simplified geological map on the back side and proposition of trails with points of interest
- Profit from the well-known hiking maps



# Smartphone Application Gastlosen geological trail



- Profit from the enormous increase in the use of smartphone applications (apps)
- Provide geological information in situ
- Structure the information with different levels of simplification



# **Smartphone Application**

### Structural concept:



#### One trail

- General information on trail
- General Geology
- Dynamic map indicating the location of the geological trail and with POI
- Simplified geological map trail
- Different signs explaining the local geology (2 levels)



# **Smartphone Application**



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#### **Current status:**

- Rough draft of the application structure for one geological trail (Gastlosen)
- Feasibility study with focus on technical implementation and costs

#### To do:

- Conduct survey on interests, order a GeolTrail app
- Elaborate a financial concept, find business partners



# National Events and Meetings Switzerland



- Experience by doing Festival "Experience Geology"
- Be more visually present
- Get the interested public in touch with geology
- Develop a visual identity







- To quantify the perception of geology by the general public in the everyday life
- To survey what has already been done in terms of public science strategies within different spheres of activity
- To define the need for action in both in educational and recreational domains
- à Based on the results, the Swiss Geological Survey can define an action plan for public science strategies in geology



## Survey



### Target groups

26 cantonal education departements

13 tourism region

Authors of geological guidebooks

Target groups

Swiss Alpine Club

Museums

Mountain guides

Cantonal geologist



#### One future

- End of 2012: Completion of Geology for Everyone
- 2013: Develop public science strategy at Swiss Geological Survey
- From 2014: Implementation of Strategy



