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## **UCAP UTAMA II**

### **GEPARK AS AN ANSWER TO GEOHERITAGE CONSERVATION EFFORTS IN MALAYSIA – A LANGKAWI GEPARK CASE STUDY**

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Langkawi Geopark has paved clearer path for geoheritage conservation agenda, effort that previously seems unreachable. This achievement would not have materialized without serious commitment from various institutions, particularly the Malaysian Geological Heritage Group, Langkawi Development Authority and Forestry Department of Peninsular Malaysia. For the conservation component of geopark, geoheritage sites of

Langkawi are packaged into 3 geoforest parks, 3 geological monuments and several protected geosites. As for geotourism and public awareness, public friendly information panels and brochures are provided. Some highly significant geoheritage sites are

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packaged into geopark trails or incorporated into existing nature tour trails. Langkawi Geopark is inspired to be a model for sustainable development on nature resources and to become a catalyst for future development of geopark in this region.