

BEST PRACTICE EXAMPLE FOR JUNIOR RANGERS: BAVARIAN FOREST NP

REASONS FOR A JUNIOR RANGER ASSOCIATION



The Junior Ranger Programme in the Bavarian Forest National Park started in 1998 with five children. As it grew and attracted sponsorship, the foundation of an association was the solution to better organise the programme and to ensure that the funds really benefit the Junior Rangers.

Securing Funds

Because the national park is part of a ministry authority, all funds have to be paid to the ministry and officially applied for in order to be used for the Junior Ranger Programme. And there is no guarantee that the money has not already been used for other purposes.

Organising Insurance and Contact

It is also easier to organise accident and liability insurance and contact with the children through the association, thus relieving the rangers.

Staying independent

Ultimately, the association is also independent of decisions made by the protected area management and thus ensures the continuity of the programme.



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