IUGS Commission on Tectonics and Structural Geology (TecTask)

Outcropedia: an online public database of the photos of beautiful outcrops and geologica field trips
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The Commission on Tectonics and Structural Geology (TecTask) of the International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS) renewed the site of OUTCROPEDIA (http://outcropedia.tectask.org/) where you can upload your photo and use them for teaching or research (Fig. 1). Outcropedia is an online public database of dedicated to fieldwork. The aim of Outcropedia is to make a central, online public database of the most important and magnificent geological outcrops in the World. The curators are: Anna Chanou, Manuel De Paz and Rodolfo Carosi. Outcropedia is one of the TecTask activities. The photo are now displayed in a larger window and they are subdivided into several categories to facilitate both the view and search: boudinage, faults, folds, foliations, fractures, joints and veins, lineations, metamorphic rocks, primary structure, sedimentary and magmatics, and shear zones.

Fig. 1 - Screenshot of the Outcropedia webpage.

Note that a section dedicated to field trips (named GeoTours) have been now added to the new site (please contact: rodolfo.carosi@unito.it and/or salvatore.iaccarino@unito.it for details on the submission) (Figs. 2 and 3).
Circulate this information and feel free to submit photos and GeoTours!
Contribute to the Outcropedia Project!
Outcropedia depends on the submission of data by its users.
Please add your favorite, most beautiful outcrops to the collection!

Get involved!

Fig. 2 - Screenshot of the Outcropedia page with the list of the points of interest subdivided into categories.

Fig. 3 - Example of an uploaded GeoTours in the Variscan basement of Sardinia (Italy).
Monthly seminars on Structural Geology and Tectonics
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TecTask organized a series of invited monthly seminars on hot topics on Structural Geology and Tectonics. The seminars are monthly uploaded on the YouTube channel of Tectask (Fig. 4): https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXFYiccBYXw85bneuMm4Xgg. The Structural Geology and Tectonics community appreciated videos very much with more than 3,100 views and nearly 170 subscribers (updating: 26 November 2018). Enjoy the talks!

Fig. 4 - Screenshot of the TecTask You Tube channel showing the seminar by Roberto Weinberg, Nicholas Hunter and Chris Wilson.