

Young Geomorphologists' Field Trip to the Grimsel & Trift Region, BE - 8./9.10.2015

Recap & Impressions



Young and young-at-heart geomorphologists have followed the call of Uni Bern's young geomorphologists to an excursion into the Trift and Grimsel region in the Bernese Oberland. The first day, we visited the Gelmerbahn and its lake, where we were introduced into the geological situation of the region. Thereafter, the KWO took us underground and under the Grimsel reservoir to show us their business, where we had the possibility to watch hydropower generation at first hand. The end of the day brought us back to the Spreitloui in Guttannen where we were updated on current research on debris flow and related processes and their consequences. After our stay at Hotel Handegg, the second day was spent in the Trift region. With a stunning view at the glacier, we discussed geological, geomorphological and in terms of the future hydropower project in the area, also social and economic topics. All in all, two days full of interesting discussions, inputs and intercommunication between students and practitioners from various but related research fields.

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