




## PROGRAMME

### “Wildtiere und vernetzte Habitate” „Wildlife and connected habitats”

10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2014  
Admont - National Park Gesäuse - Styria / AUSTRIA

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> afternoon: arrival of the participants in Admont

### Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December

17:00	Arrival and Welcome in the Hotel Schloss Röthelstein
17:30	<p>Short introduction to the Workshop by ALPARC and the National Park Gesäuse <b>Priorities of the German Presidency of the Alpine Convention 2015-2016</b> <i>Silvia Reppe, National Focal Point (German Presidency of the Alpine Convention, German Ministry of the Environment)</i></p> <p>Discussion with the General Secretary of the Alpine Convention about cooperation between protected areas and the Alpine Convention <i>Markus Reiterer, Secretary General (Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention)</i></p>  <a href="http://www.alpconv.org">www.alpconv.org</a>
19:00	<p><b>Alpine Aperitif “The Best of the Alps”</b></p> <p>Projection of the multivision “For the Alps”</p> <p>Every participant brings a speciality from his region (wine, cheese, etc.)</p>
20:30	<b>Common dinner (invitation ALPARC)</b>

## Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> December

<b>9:00</b>	<p><b>Official Welcome by local authorities and the Alpine Convention</b></p> <p><b>Introduction to the topic and the agenda</b></p> <p><i>Herbert Wölger, Director (National Park Gesäuse)</i></p> <p><i>Michael Vogel, President (ALPARC)</i></p> <p><i>Markus Reiterer, Secretary General (Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention)</i></p>
<b>9:15</b>	<p><b>Presentation of the state of the art</b></p> <p><i>Claudio Groff, President WISO Platform (Alpine Convention) - Overview on the status of bear, wolf and lynx all over the Alps / Coordination of the Platform WISO</i></p> <p><i>Marie-Odile Guth, Silvia Reppe, Presidents Platform Ecological Connectivity (French and German Ministry of Environment) - Activities and perspectives of the Platform</i></p>
<b>10:15</b>	<p><b>General and actual situation of selected species in the Alps</b></p> <p><i>Chris Walzer, International Expert (FIWI) - The alpine overview and management needs</i></p> <p>Exchange with experts from the protected areas of the alpine countries</p>
<b>11:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>11:30</b>	<p><b>Ecological needs for special selected species and measures in protected areas in order to ensure connected habitats</b></p> <p><i>Yann Kohler, Expert (ALPARC) - Activities in favour of ecological connectivity in the Alps</i></p> <p><i>Guido Plassmann, Director (ALPARC) - The ecological network in and beyond the Alpine Convention</i></p> <p><i>Christoph Nitsch, Project Coordinator (National Park Kalkalpen) - NETWORK FOREST</i></p> <p>Questions (15 min)</p>
<b>12:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>14:00</b>	<p><i>Gunther Gressmann, Expert (National Park Hohe Tauern) - CAPERCAILLIE</i></p> <p><i>Christian Fuxjäger, Expert (National Park Kalkalpen) - LYNX</i></p> <p><i>Veronika Grünschachner-Berger, Expert (Nature Reserve Hochschwab) - CHAMOIS</i></p> <p><i>Stefano Filacorda, Expert (Università di Udine) - BROWN BEAR</i></p> <p><i>Pia Anderwald, Expert (Swiss National Park) - IBEX</i></p> <p><i>Bernhard Schön, Expert (Land Oberösterreich) - BEAVER</i></p> <p><i>Sandrine Berthillot, Expert (National Park Vanoise) - BEARDED VULTURE</i></p> <p>Questions (15 min)</p>
<b>16:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>16:30</b>	<b>The northern limestone Alps - towards an interconnected model region for ecological connectivity?</b>

	Presentation of a regional project - perspectives for the future ( <i>NP Kalkalpen and Gesäuse, Wildnisgebiet Dürrenstein</i> ) - Exhibition Poster and local specialities
<b>17:00</b>	<b>Plenary discussion moderated by Claudio Groff (President, WISO), Herbert Wölger (Director, National Park Gesäuse) and Michael Vogel (President, ALPARC)</b> Future evolution in the Alps and the needs and role of the alpine Protected Areas
<b>17:30</b>	End of the day
<b>19:00</b>	<b>Book presentation: “A changing landscape” (Landscape History - Gesäuse)</b>
<b>20:00</b>	Common dinner (invitation National Park Gesäuse)

## Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> December

<b>9:00</b>	<b>Workshops</b> Short introduction to the workshops by ALPARC
<b>9:15</b>	<b>Workshop n° 1 - The reality of ecological connectivity of Protected Areas</b> Potential analysis of selected areas with JECAMI ( <i>Maja Rapp, Swiss National Park</i> )
<b>9:15</b>	<b>Workshop n° 2 - Recommendations for the Alpine Convention</b> Recommendations by Park managers and experts for the conservation of species and the improvement of ecological connectivity within the Alps ( <i>Guido Plassmann, ALPARC</i> )
<b>11:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>11:30</b>	<b>Presentation of Workshop outputs and final discussion</b>
<b>12:00</b>	<b>Closure of the Workshop</b>
<b>12:30</b>	Optional short Lunch
<b>13:30</b>	Optional excursion
<b>15:30</b>	<b>Departure of participants</b>

## EXCURSION

The excursion will be organised connected to the topic of the Workshop depending nevertheless on meteorological conditions. We will ask you already for the registration if you are interested in the excursion in order to plan this field trip in the best way.

The field trip will take place in a mountain environment! Please make sure to be well equipped. The proposed field trip will be announced on a special document. If you want to stay after the excursion in the hotel, please indicate this in the registration formulary.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

**Target group:** Staff of Protected Areas, members of ALPARC, Rangers, members of the WISO Platform of the Alpine Convention, Managers of natural spaces, employees of regional and national authorities of nature protection, persons involved in the work of the Alpine Convention, experts.

**Languages:** Simultaneous translation in German, French and Italian if sufficient participants of these languages. The workshops at the second day will take place in English language without translation.

**Registration:** Please send the registration form to [info@alparc.org](mailto:info@alparc.org) before 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2014.

**Costs:** Travel and accommodation are in charge of the participants. No registration fee for ALPARC members and members of the WISO Platform of the Alpine Convention. Others: participation fee of 50,00 € to pay cash at arrival.

**Travel:** A document in appendix gives practical information to reach Admont. Please inform us if you want to be informed about car-sharing possibilities. **Accommodation:** The same document gives information about the Family hotel Castel Röthelstein.

### IMPORTANT: TO BRING WITH YOU

- **Food products** from your region for the alpine Aperitif: this will be the occasion to discover salty or sweet specialities from other parts of the Alps.
- **Equipment** for the excursion: mountain boots, warm and rain clothes (eventually binoculars, camera).
- **Papers:** Especially if you will travel through Switzerland, do not forget your valid identity card or passport.

Thanks to the Gesäuse National Park for hosting the meeting: [www.nationalpark.co.at](http://www.nationalpark.co.at)

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