



Updates on biodiversity activities from the Slovenian Presidency of the Alpine Convention and the Alpine Biodiversity Board

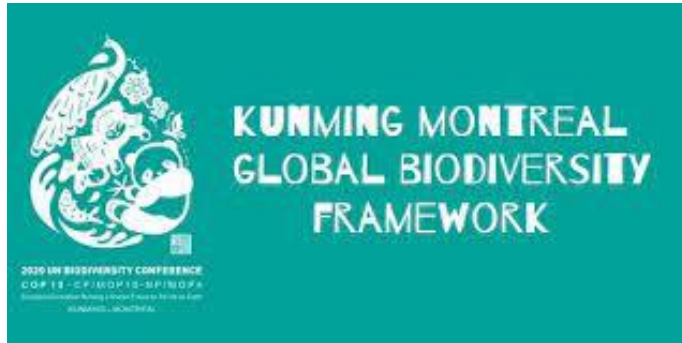
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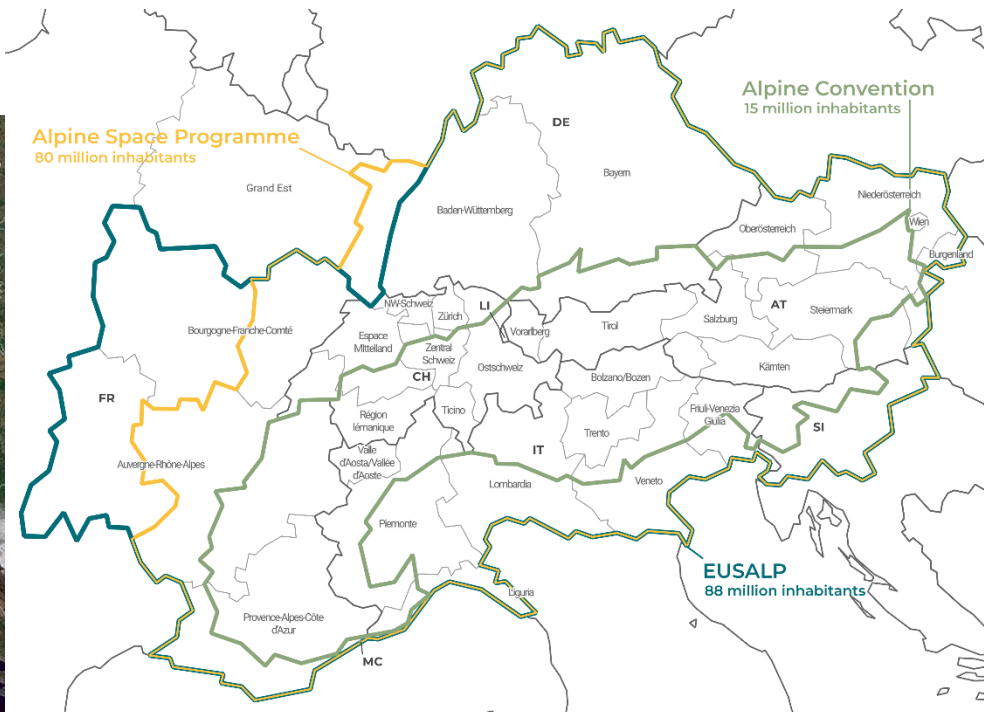
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The Alpine Convention implementing the Global Biodiversity Framework – Policy Brief

Rationale of the Policy Brief



SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL ISSUES



INTERGOVERNMENTAL PLATFORM

- Regional implementation of global targets
- Steer the Action Plan for Alpine biodiversity
- Guidance for Thematic Working Bodies
- Cooperation: CBD, Carpathian Convention

CONSERVE

AVOID

ACT

Kunming-Montreal Goals & Targets

T1

BD inclusive
spatial
planning

T2

30 %
Restoration

T3

Protected
areas: 30 by 30

T4

Conservation
of species

T5

Sustainable
use, harvest.,
trade

T6

IAS
management

T7

Reduce
polution risks

T8

Minimize
impact of CC

T9

Benefits of
sustainable
use

Reducing threats to biodiversity

T10

Sustainable
agric.,
forestry...

T11

Nature's contrib.
for people

T12

Green & blue
urban spaces

T13

Benefits from
gen. resources

T14

Mainstreaming
biodiversity

Pan-Alpine relevance (1)

Need for a transboundary
approach (2)

Low specific AC relevance (3)

Horizontal issues/principles (4)

Meeting people's needs

T15

Involve
business & FI

T16

Sustainable
consumption

T17

Biosafety
measures

T18

Reform
harmful
incentives

T19

Financial
resources

T20

Capacity
building

T21

Data, inform.,
knowledge

T22

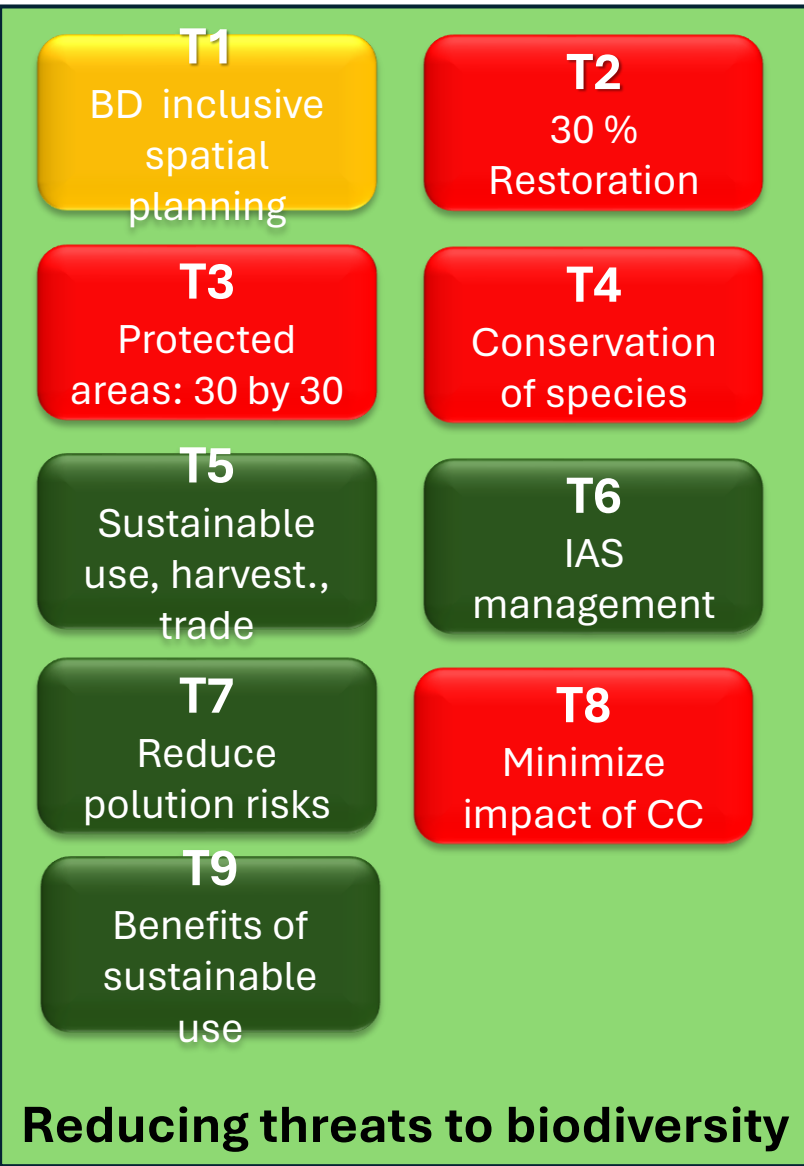
Local
communities

T23

Gender equity

Tools and solutions

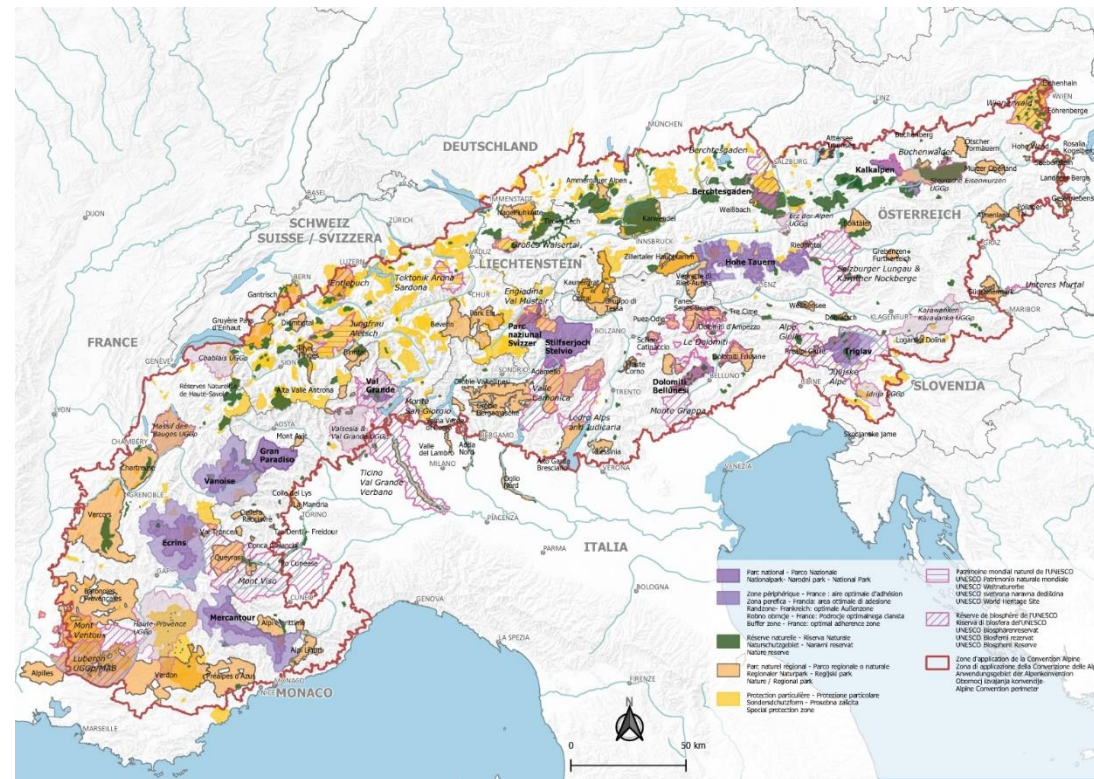
Results of scanning



Working areas (4 thematic clusters)

CONSERVATION (T3, T8, T10)

- Protected areas (enhancement of management, identify need for new areas, identifying gaps ...);
- Identification of most vulnerable/threatened pan-Alpine species/habitat types (e. g. glaciers, wetlands, grasslands, chamoix, *Lagopus mutus*...)



<https://alparc.org/sl/alpine-resources/map-of-the-alpine-protected-areas>



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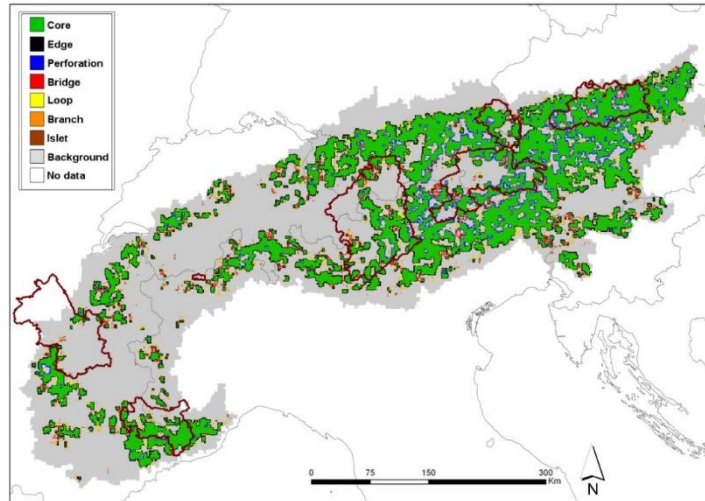
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Working areas (thematic cluster 2)

CONNECTIVITY (T1, T3, T4, T6, T8, T10)

- Identification of: unfragmented areas, existing corridors, obstacles of connectivity...;
- Take into account spreading of alien species;
- Social connectivity;
- Spatial planning is the crucial tool for connectivity – link science and planning;
- Scale: Alps, Alpine region and beyond.



F. Marucco, 2011: DISTRIBUTION, HABITAT SUITABILITY, AND CONNECTIVITY OF WOLVES (CANIS LUPUS) IN THE ALPS Workpackage 5: "Corridors and Barriers,,
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Working areas (thematic cluster 3)

RESTORATION (T2)

- Explore possibility to streamline national restoration plans towards a Pan-Alpine restoration plan (species and habitat types that are in strong decline at the Alpine level; identify priority areas for restoration)



Working areas (thematic cluster 4)

MONITORING (T21, T15a)

- Alpine-wide monitoring including early-warning system, streamline monitoring (e. g. AlpsLife project)



Implementation

Recommendations Policy guidance POLICY BRIEF

Pan-Alpine relevance

**Need for a transboundary
approach**

Need for political support

Guiding principles

**Integration of nature
conservation concerns into
various economic sectors...**

**Efficient disseminations of
conservation messages**

**Necessity of education and
awareness raising**

**Need for exchange of
practices, knowledge,
experiences and structured
data**

**Networking to promote
mountain-specific issues on
regional and international
levels**

General principles

**Alpine Convention political
level**

**Alpine Convention technical
level**

**National/regional transborder
coordination**

Project level

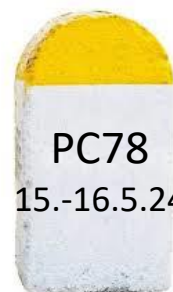
Local/Regional communities

Governance



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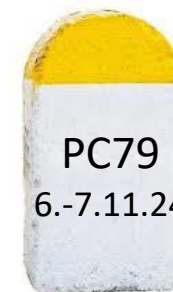


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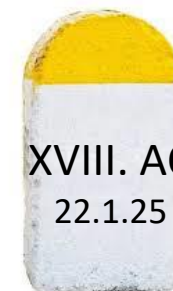


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Proposal POLICY
BRIEF + REC.



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Adoption of
POLICY BRIEF +
REC.

Way forward

Alpine Biodiversity Board updates

17 june 2024

ABB future mandate's ideas



Conservation: Improve status of conservation for priority species and habitats

Focus on a list of species and habitats which require pan alpine approach? Retreat of the glaciers as a conservation opportunity?

Restoration: Restore the ecological functionality within the Alps

How to promote transnational cooperation in restoration activities ?

Connectivity: Enhance connectivity through the Alps and beyond

How to better consider ecological corridors in Spatial Planning's documents ?

Monitoring: Common understanding of the current state and trends of biodiversity

Implementation of the AlpsLife's project – Interreg Alpine Space project

=> OUTPUT : Alpine Biodiversity Plan 2030



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