

AlpES & SPARE

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Dear readers and friends of the **AlpES** and **SPARE** Projects,

On behalf of the AlpES and SPARE Project partnership, we would like to thank you for your support and collaboration in these last months. We especially thank all the participants of our joint final event in Innsbruck on 21st and 22nd of November, and wish you all relaxing and enjoyable winter holidays.

Thank you for a fruitful collaboration, for outstanding results, and for the successful spreading of all the achievements of this two alpine space projects!

What have the **SPARE** and **AlpES** Partners been up to?

The joint Final Event of the Interreg Projects SPARE and AlpES was successfully held in Innsbruck on 21st and 22nd of November.

On Wednesday, 21 November the Secretary-General of the Alpine Convention, Markus Reiterer, opened the final conference on "Alpine Ecosystem Services" (**AlpES**) and its related project, "Strategic Planning for Alpine River Ecosystems" (**SPARE**). He emphasised that the sensitive ecosystem of the Alps is affected more harshly by climate change than other regions, in turn making co-operation at the trans-Alpine level even more vital.

Find the main messages of the conference [here](#).

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Watch the amazing new **SPARE** video!

Project Partner ARPA VDA (Regional Agency for Environment Protection of the Aosta Valley) has provided us with an amazing video of the SPARE project.

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SPARE: "My River Kit" is waiting for you

Raising Awareness with "My River Kit" !

During the SPARE project, IRSTEA has created a role playing game called "**My River Kit**", with the aim of raising awareness about integrated water resources management concepts and ecosystem services.

It is a simple tool, designed for all kind of audiences, and it can be played autonomously.

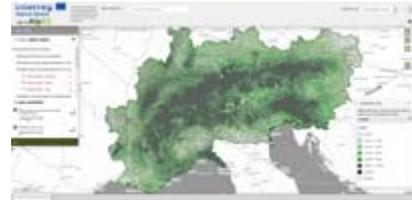
You can download **My River Kit** under [this link](#)

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New Article on Interaction about Ecosystem Services is now online!

The paper was prepared by the team of the department of Ecology from the University of Innsbruck in cooperation with Lead Partner Eurac and identifies spatial mismatches of Ecosystem Services supply and demand areas in the Alpine space.

It was written by *Uta Schirpke, Sebastian Candiago, Lukas Egarter Vigl, Hieronymus Jäger, Alice Labadini, Thomas Marsoner, Claude Meisch, Erich Tasser, Ulrike Tappeiner.*



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New AlpES videos

Lead Partner EURAC has provided us with new videos on the topic of Alpine Ecosystem Services.

▶ watch it in English [here](#)

▶ watch it in Italian [here](#)

▶ watch it in German [here](#)

Final Event: Read Susan Misicka's article on swissinfo.ch

Alpine summits

In late November, SWI attended two back-to-back Alpine environmental summits held in Innsbruck, Austria. One was the [EUSALP \(EU-Strategy for the Alpine Region\) forum](#) hosted by Tyrol as its 2018 presidency winds down. The other was the final conference of [AlpES \(Alpine Ecosystem Services\)](#) and [SPARE: Strategic Planning for Alpine River Ecosystems](#), two projects run by the [Alpine Space programme](#) and finishing on December 15, 2018.



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Find the Final Publications of AlpES and SPARE now online!

The "[Ecosystem Services in the Alps. Tools and Tipps for Effective Environmental Management and Territorial Development](#)" from the AlpES Programme, and "[Alpine Rivers as Societies Lifelines](#)", the final Publication of the SPARE project are now available for download.

Please, spread them generously around you.

▶ find the AlpES final publication [here](#)

▶ find the SPARE final publication [here](#)

Interview with Primoz Skrt, our Programme Officer

"I especially hope that this process will not finish with the end of our projects and that the real work will start now to make use of the results. How? By sharing the knowledge you have gained, and using the outputs you produced in your professional environment and in your local area is the first step. Transferring these beyond the borders of your office, municipality, region, country, ...not just today but

even tomorrow, is our wish and common aim."

Read the interview from Primoz Skrt, Programme Officer of the Interreg Alpine Space programm.

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