Although hydropower is the most important source of renewable energy in the Alps, its use can have a negative impact on the environment.

AIM has capitalised on results of projects in the field of renewable energy production in order to optimise hydropower exploitation and the conservation of Alpine natural ecosystems. By mapping previous achievements across the Alpine area, the project has identified stakeholder needs with regard to water and energy, and has been able to communicate them to the relevant policy level and actors so as to have a regional and national impact.

**Expected key achievements**

- Multi-sector & interdisciplinary evaluation of results, mapped in a Regional Web-GIS and disseminated in panel discussion with stakeholders in Alpine Space countries
- Database of Alpine Space stakeholders as well as key policy actors and their specific competence
- Guidelines for project generation 2014+

**EU support (ERDF)** ........................................ of over € 368,000

AIM: Alpine Space in movement, targeted to water & energy capitalisation

**Partners**

- RSE S.p.A., Ricerca sul Sistema Energetico ............................................................... IT
- Universität fur Bodenkultur, Wien ................................................................. AT
- AEM, Association Européenne des Elus de Montagne ...................................... FR
- Institut za vode Republike Slovenije ................................................................. SI

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AlpClusters2020

Investing in your future

The programme is co-funded by the European Regional Development Fund
AlpClusters2020

Manufacturing small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) and their clusters could be a driving force for Alpine competitiveness but lack enough support to do so.

AlpClusters2020 has contributed to the design of an integrated policy approach which supports the establishment of transnational cluster networks, thereby favouring cooperation within Alpine industry. Picking up where two previous projects, Alplastics and Alps4EU, left off, AlpClusters 2020 focuses on the direct involvement of stakeholders and other relevant actors. At informal meetings called AlpCafés, stakeholders shared views on needs and expectations of SMEs and clusters for their internationalisation and development.

**Expected key achievements**
- AlpClusters2020 blog: mapping political/innovation needs, facilitating stakeholder exchanges
- AlpCafés: participatory events
- Alpine Space action plan towards 2020

**EU support (ERDF)** ........................................... of over € 376,000
**Duration** ..................................................... 09.2013 - 11.2014

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**Alpine space industrial clusters’ networks:**

**paving the way for Europe 2020**

**Partners**

Veneto Innovazione S.p.A .................................................. IT

Clusterland Oberösterreich GmbH, Kunststoff-Cluster ........................................ AT

Pôle scientifique et technologique du canton de Fribourg ............................... CH

Steinbeis-Europa-Zentrum der Steinbeis Innovation gGmbH .......................... DE

Plastipolis ........................................................................ FR

Proplast ........................................................................ IT

Regione Piemonte .......................................................... IT

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AlpEnMat

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AlpEnMAT

Over the past 7 years countless enterprises have been involved in Alpine Space projects dedicated to energy efficiency, renewable energy and sustainable mobility.

AlpEnMAT capitalised on their experience through an innovative networking concept which gave rise to a series of events called Jam Bites (Join Advanced Meetings on Business, Innovation, Technology, Energy). The project has thus provided a forum for SMEs in which to promote their innovative skills, products and services, thereby increasing their visibility on the local and global market. This networking platform simultaneously allows public service providers to find the best match, in terms of innovative solution offers, in order to deal with public demand.

Expected key achievements
+ 10 Jam Bite events (and 14 after project closure)
+ Database of innovative SME’s, their products and services
+ Networking platform and web 2.0 portal for offer-demand match making: www.jam-bite.eu

EU support (ERDF) ........................................ of over € 361,000
Duration .......................................................... 08.2013 - 12.2014

Alpine Energy Meetings on Advanced Technology

Partners
B.A.U.M. Consult GmbH ................................................................. DE
ÖGUT Österreichische Gesellschaft für Umwelt und Technik; Themenbereich Energie ................................................................. AT
ALaRI - Advanced Learning and Research Institute dell’ Università della Svizzera italiana (USI) ................................................................. CH
WFG-BGL Wirtschaftsförderungsgesellschaft Berchtesgadener Land mbH ................................................................. DE
Universität Liechtenstein ................................................................. FL
ALOT scarl - Agenzia della Lombardia Orientale per i Trasporti e la Logistica ................................................................. IT
Urbano Creativo ................................................................. IT
Regionalna razvojna agencija Gorenjske ................................................................. SI

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Alpine Space Programme

greenAlps
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The Alps are considered a European biodiversity hotspot, yet they are not sufficiently protected from possible damage that resource exploitation may cause.

greenAlps has capitalised on results of previous projects, most notably ECONNECT (ecological connectivity) and recharge.green (balancing renewable energy and nature), in order to develop a long term, sustainable and trans-sectoral environmental policy vision for the Alps. By balancing biodiversity conservation and use of natural resources, the project has identified themes that need to be addressed by Alpine environmental policy makers, thereby setting the ground for future cooperation.

Expected key achievements
+ Recommendations on biodiversity conservation policy implementation for policy makers and sectoral stakeholders
+ Development of shared perspective & cooperation concepts through trans-sectoral workshops and workshops in pilot areas
+ Policy gap analysis for impacts on ecosystem services

EU support (ERDF) ........................................ of over € 398,000

Valorising connectivity and sustainable use of resources for successful ecosystem management policies in the Alps

Partners
ALPARC - Réseau Alpin des Espaces Protégés ................................................. FR
Nationalpark OÖ Kalkalpen Ges.m.b.H. ............................................................... AT
Veteninämedizinische Universität Wien .............................................................. AT
Nationalparkverwaltung Berchtesgaden ............................................................. DE
CIPRA International ......................................................................................... FL
Ente parco naturale delle Prealpi Giulie ............................................................ IT
EURAC Accademia Europea di Bolzano ............................................................. IT
Turizem Bohinj, zavod za pospeševanje turizma .............................................. SI

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PLAT.F.O.R.M.

The programme is co-funded by the European Regional Development Fund
Transport and mobility projects in the Alps run the risk of creating social discontent and making local communities feel their needs and opinions are disregarded.

PLAT.F.O.R.M. has integrated social sustainability into infrastructure and transport decision making, so as to increase public participation and awareness. By capitalising on previous project results, PLAT.F.O.R.M. identified ways in which to improve and assess public participation. The project then developed tools capable of supporting opinion-forming processes, so as to give stakeholders’ needs a voice and measure their feedback.

**Expected key achievements**

+ Transnational awareness platform
+ Opinion-forming tools (e.g. didactic tools, webinars, etc.)
+ Policy guidelines for EU and Alpine challenges

**EU support (ERDF) of over € 375,000**

**Duration** 09.2013 - 11.2014

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**Platform to Form Opinions Related to Mobility**

**Partners**

- Comitato Promotore Transpadana .......................................................... IT
- Technische Universität Wien ................................................................. AT
- Comité pour la liaison européenne Transalpine ........................................ FR
- Provincia di Torino ............................................................................... IT
- Regione del Veneto ............................................................................... IT

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SPHERA
Alpine healthcare systems are faced with numerous challenges, thus demanding a change towards sustainable health models and governance of health systems.

SPHERA has capitalised on the results of projects focusing on inclusive growth in order to integrate healthcare in spatial planning at a transnational level. Furthermore, the project plans to contribute to the EU Cohesion Policy, by developing health and spatial planning policies based on a gap analysis that has been conducted in those fields. SPHERA will therefore pave the way for new projects to improve territorial governance in the Alpine Space, particularly for spatial planning and health systems, both at a transnational and EU level.

**Expected key achievements**

+ Spatial planning perspective integrating healthcare
+ Gap analysis providing policy orientation for the Alpine Space Programme
+ Methodological guideline for future projects

**EU support (ERDF)**: of over € 375,000

**Duration**: 09.2013 - 12.2014

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**Spatial planning and Health Systems: enhancing territorial governance in the Alpine Space**

**Partners**

Regione Lombardia ................................................................. IT

Fachhochschule Kufstein Tirol Bildungs GmbH ............................ AT

Hôpitaux Universitaires de Genève ........................................ CH

INSA de Lyon, Laboratoire d’Informatique en Images et Systèmes d’information (LIRIS) ...................................................... FR

Fondazione Bruno Kessler ....................................................... IT

UIRS - urbanistični inštitut republike slovenije .......................... SI

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START_it_up
Although many good practices in natural hazard engineering and risk management exist, decision makers cannot easily use them as they are not harmonised across policies or territories.

START_it_up has capitalised on previous Alpine Space projects, gathering existing guidelines, recommendations and good practices on Alpine risks and hazards and harmonising them into a single database. Furthermore, the project has effectively initialised a standardisation process which aims to reach easily-accessible, transnational, common standards for natural hazard engineering and risk governance, thereby increasing the quality and reliability of engineering, planning, and decision making in the context of natural hazards and risk management.

Expected key achievements
+ Risk Technology Platform and Database
  www.interpraevent.at/start_it_up
+ Risk governance policy forum and recommendations for risk governance policy
+ Common policy directive for implementation of hazard/risk maps

EU support (ERDF) ........................................ of over € 331,000
Duration ........................................... 09.2013 - 11.2014

State-of-the-Art in Risk Management Technology: Implementation and Trial for Usability in Engineering Practice and Policy

Partners
Bundesministerium für Land- und Forstwirtschaft, Umwelt und Wasserwirtschaft (BMLFUW) .................................................. AT
Amt der Kärntner Landesregierung ........................................ AT
Berner Fachhochschule - Hochschule für Agrar-, Forst- und Lebensmittelwissenschaften ........................................ CH
IRSTEA, groupement de Grenoble ........................................ FR
ONF International (subsidiary of Office National des Forêts) ............... FR
Autonome Provinz Bozen-Südtirol / Provincia Autonoma ........................................ IT
di Bolzano-Alto Adige ........................................ IT
Regione Autonoma Valle d’Aosta ........................................ IT
Geološki zavod Slovenije ........................................ SI

www.alpine-space.eu/startitup
SusFreight

The increase in freight transport across the Alps has, over time, led to environmentally and economically threatening situations.

By capitalising on previous project results, SusFreight aims to bring consistency to current and future transport policies, while addressing environmental problems tied to a heavy flow of traffic. After mapping the needs of all relevant stakeholders, the project has presented recommendations and raised awareness among policy makers on various levels, so as to hopefully increase sustainable freight transport in the future.

Expected key achievements
+- Recommendation paper for future policy development
+- Policy organisation chart
+- Report on strategic achievements and improvement proposals 2014+

EU support (ERDF) ........................................ of over € 393,000

Sustainable Freight Transport – Now and Tomorrow

Partners
Deutscher Verband für Wohnungswesen, Städtebau und Raumordnung e.V. ................................................ DE
Entwicklungsagentur Kärnten GmbH ................................................ AT
Wirtschaftsförderung Region Stuttgart GmbH ................................................ DE
Unioncamere del Veneto ................................................ IT
Venice International University ................................................ IT
Ministrstvo za infrastrukturo in prostor ................................................ SI

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ViSiBLE

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ViSiBLE

Sustainable buildings have the potential to greatly contribute to a low-carbon economy, but the mismatch of regulations and assessment systems makes it difficult for a sustainable building environment to be realised in Europe.

ViSiBLE has capitalised on sustainable building and low carbon knowledge of the Alps in order to promote it on a European level. Having collaborated with the European CESBA initiative, which aims to harmonise sustainable building assessment measures across Europe, the project has created content for the initiative’s online wiki for further knowledge dissemination. ViSiBLE presented the CESBA idea of harmonization to key policy makers in Brussels and at international events such as the World Sustainable Building Conference held in October 2014.

Expected key achievements
+ Integration of outcomes from 22 projects into CESBA initiative
+ Recommendations for 2014+ Alpine Space Programme future projects
+ Development of CESBA wiki and dissemination of its results

EU support (ERDF) .................................................. of over € 375,000
Duration ................................................................. 09.2013 - 11.2014

Valorisation of Sustainable Alpine Space nearly zero-energy Building and Low-carbon Experiences

Partners
Regionalentwicklung Vorarlberg eGen .................................................. AT
Hochschule für angewandte Wissenschaften Rosenheim .......................... DE
Rhônalpénnergie-Environnement .............................................................. FR
EURAC Accademia Europea di Bolzano .................................................... IT
Regione Piemonte .................................................................................... IT

www.alpine-space.eu/visible
Greetings from the Alpine Space Programme

WIKIALps.eu
Spatial development in the Alps requires effective decision making based on appropriate and up-to-date information.

WIKIALps has capitalised on previous projects’ outcomes in the fields of inclusive growth, resource efficiency and ecosystem management in view of their relevance for spatial development policies in the Alpine Space. The information derived from them was arranged in an easily accessible way on a spatial planning transnational wiki tool. This platform is aimed at facilitating balance and cooperation in spatial development across the Alps, thereby ensuring coherence within the framework of the EU. The project has also produced recommendations for policy makers on how to integrate project results into spatial development policy.

**Expected key achievements**

- Wiki tool to facilitate decision-making
- Mini guides to include project findings immediately in sustainable spatial policy design
- Practical recommendations for policy makers, civil servants, researchers and entrepreneurs

**EU support (ERDF)** .................................................. of over € 384,000
**Duration** .......................................................... 10.2013 - 12.2014

**Partners**

- EURAC Accademia Europea di Bolzano ........................................ IT
- Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften (ÖAW), Institut für Interdisziplinäre Gebirgsforschung (IGF) .................................................. AT
- Schweizerische Arbeitsgemeinschaft für die Berggebiete .................. CH
- Ifuplan – Institut für Umweltplanung und Raumentwicklung ............ DE
- IRSTE A, groupement de Grenoble .................................................. FR
- Fondazione Montagna sicura - Montagne sûre ................................. IT
- Znanstvenoraziskovalni center Slovenske Akademije znanosti in umetnosti, Geografski inštitut Antona Melika ................................. SI

**A wiki for capitalising on spatial development projects**

www.alpine-space.eu/wikialps