



## Wildlife and winter sport activities *“Your space of freedom - my living space.”*

March 3 and 4 2016  
Massif des Bauges Regional Nature Park  
Lescheraines - Congress Center “Eau Vive”

Winter sport and recreational activities have become ever more popular over the last decade. These bring more and more people to protected areas and their sensitive natural zones. Especially in the winter season, increased frequentation and the multiplication of activities conflict with the life of the alpine fauna. Alpine protected areas and other stakeholders have acquired knowledge about these conflicts and have developed manifold management methods to address them, e.g. monitoring tools, guidance measures and awareness-raising campaigns. **It is time to exchange and capitalize on these experiences on an Alpine-wide level in order to increase efficiency at all levels.**

The workshop “Wildlife and winter sport activities” aims at contributing to the **exchange of experiences between Alpine protected areas and other stakeholders**. The workshop lays a special focus on the activities ski touring, snowshoeing and free riding. Speakers from protected areas, research, regional authorities and Alpine clubs will present up-to-date knowledge on conflicts as well as tools and practices for a better management. Participants will be able to discuss about experiences from their own practice. The workshop shall come up with **key elements for a common vision on the management of winter sport activities** in Alpine protected areas and beyond.



## Programme

Thursday, March 3

- 8:30 **Registration & welcome coffee**
- 9:00 **Welcome, thematic introduction and workshop concept**  
by PNR des Bauges, Asters and ALPARC
- 9:20 **Session 1: Voices from across the Alps** (coffee break included)
- 12:00
- **Campaign “Respektiere Deine Grenzen“ Vorarlberg**  
Herbert Erhart (Land Vorarlberg, Austria)
  - **Campaign “Respektiere Deine Grenzen/Respecter c’est protéger“ Switzerland**  
Reto Solèr & Jean-Michel Koehler (Swiss Alpine Club/FOEN, Switzerland)
  - **Campaigns “Dein Freiraum – Mein Lebensraum“, “Skibergsteigen umweltfreundlich“ and “Natürlich auf Tour“ in the Nagelfluhkette Nature Park**  
Rolf Eberhardt (Nagelfluhkette Nature Park, Germany)
  - **Campaign “Im Winter auf Tour“ in the Gesäuse National Park**  
Tamara Hoebinger (Gesäuse National Park, Austria)
  - **Project “JULIUS“: analysis of ski-touring pressure in the Triglav National Park**  
Tanja Menegalija (Triglav National Park, Slovenia)
  - **Winter tourism and fauna in the Mont Avic Natural Park**  
Massimo Bocca (Mont Avic Natural Park, Italia)
  - **Assessment of grouse wintering habitats in Haute-Savoie**  
Asters & Observatoire des Galliformes de Montagne (OGM) (France)
  - **Campaign “Respecter c’est protéger“ in the Bauges Regional Nature Park**  
PNR des Bauges ( France)
- Closure with plenary discussion**
- 12:30 **Thematic excursion – [Col de Chérel](#), start in 73630 Jarsy, Massif des Bauges**
- 17:30 **Ski or snow shoes, lunch included**
- 19:00 **Alpine aperitif**  
Projection of films around the topic  
(Do not forget to bring food products from your region)



Friday, March 4

9:00 **Session 2: Research perspectives**

- **Ski touring and fauna: which interactions?**  
Antoine Duparc (Laboratoire LECA, Université Savoie Mont Blanc)
- **Impacts of winter sport and recreational activities on grouse**  
Luca Rotelli (free lance biologist)
- **Impacts of winter sport and recreational activities on the mountain hare**  
Maik Rehnus (Swiss Federal Research Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research WSL)
- **Perceptions and behaviour of visitors**  
Lena Gruas (Laboratoire EDYTEM, Université Savoie Mont Blanc)
- **Evaluation of awareness-raising campaigns**  
Marcel Hunziker (Swiss Federal Research Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research WSL)

10:30 **Coffee break**

11:00 **Session 3: World café “Collecting key elements for a common vision”**

Group work in three (four) tables on the topics:

- **Survey, monitoring and evaluation methods**
- **Managing natural disturbance (tourists/visitors attitude)**
- **Awareness-raising and communication**
- **Governance of winter sport and recreational activity management**

12:45 **Lunch break**

14:15 **Session 4: Presentation of the World Café results and key elements for a common vision**

Discussion in the plenary focused on capitalization and transferability of knowledge and methods.

15:15 **Conclusion**

15:30 **End of the workshop**



## Useful information

### Registration

The registration is open **online**: <http://www.alparc.org/fr/register-to-wildlife-and-winter-sport-activities/view/form>

### Target group

Staff of Protected Areas, members of ALPARC, Rangers, Managers of natural spaces, employees of regional and national authorities of nature protection, researchers, Alpines clubs and other experts in the domain.

### Languages

The workshop language is English (no continuous translation is provided. The ALPARC-team can help with translation if needed).

### Costs

The participation fee is 30 EUR for non-ALPARC members. Travel and accommodation (35 per night/person) are in charge of the participants. Further information is provided during the online registration.

### Important to bring with you:

- **Video and awareness-raising material** if you have. There will be the possibility to show relevant films on Thursday evening (March 3). Awareness-raising material could provide input for discussion in the world café groups on Friday March 4.
- **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.
- **Gear** for the excursion: **only snowshoes** (please specify in the online form whether you need to rent material), warm and rain clothes (binoculars, camera, if you want).
- **Identification papers**. Especially if you will travel through Switzerland, do not forget your valid identity card or passport.

Thanks in advance to Massif des Bauges Regional Nature Park for hosting the workshop!

<http://www.parcdesbauges.com>

For further information, please contact us at [info@alparc.org](mailto:info@alparc.org)!



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