



4th International Workshop “Mountain Environmental Education in Alpine Protected Areas”

18th & 19th of October 2016
Refuge-hôtel de Bayasse - Mercantour National Park - France

The workshop in a nutshell

Are you dealing with education topics in your protected area?
Are you a member of the Working group “education” of ALPARC or do you wish to network at alpine level in this field?

Are you curious and interested in other experiences, places, visions?
Do you have any ideas, questions, problems, projects... to share with your alpine colleagues?

Join us to:

SHARE... EXPERIENCE and INFORMATION

- ✓ **A 4 hours thematic session dedicated to “INTERPRETATION” in Mountain protected areas, with Markus Blank, working at Gesäuse National Park (Austria) and member of the Supervisory Committee of INTERPRET EUROPE.**
 - Interpretation is a structured approach to non-formal learning specialised in communicating significant ideas about a place to people on leisure. It establishes a link between visitors and what they can discover at heritage sites such as a nature reserve, a historic site or a museum.
 - 1 hour presentation in the meeting room + 3 hours practical experiences in the field
 - Sharing experiences: questions, contributions and testimonies by participants are very welcome
- ✓ **Guided tour in and around the “Bayasse refuge”, small renewed information point of the park:** visit of the building and educational path with the hut keeper and staff member(s) of the Mercantour National Park. Discovering the education policy and strategy of the hosting protected area.
- ✓ **Café Forum:** time to know each-other, to share latest news, to exchange about your experience and the job of environmental education officer in protected areas.
- ✓ **Information Table:** a place and occasion to show and share some of your pedagogical tools or publications, to bring with you.

WORK... on COMMON PROJECTS

- ✓ **Working Session 1: YOUTH AT THE TOP Initiative**
 - Feedback on 2 first editions, testimonies, videos.
 - Assessment and strategy for next editions
 - Co-funding opportunities
- ✓ **Working Session 2: THE ALPS IN MY BACKPACK pedagogical tool**
 - Test and feedbacks
 - Development of complementary online resources
- ✓ **Working Session 3: Topic still open, your proposals are welcome in the registration form (further parallel sessions are also possible depending on your needs and wishes)**
- ✓ **Information session: INTERREG Alpine Space Project(s) YOUrALPS and GaYA and possible contributions/synergies**

Session 1 will be addressed to all participants. Sessions 2 and 3 (or more) should take place in parallel at the same time.

DISCOVER & ENJOY... PEOPLE and PLACE

- ✓ Welcome by your French counterparts, organised as regional network within Educ'Alpes
- ✓ **Common coffee breaks and lunches on place:** "get to know" session, Alpine and regional buffet, Invitation by ALPARC
- ✓ **Common dinner and convivial evening:** invitation by the hosting Park on Tuesday evening
- ✓ **Excursion(s) in the park:** work on the field during the meeting + optional excursion with a guide on Thursday the 20th.

Official start: Tuesday, 18th of October, at 09.00

Official end: Wednesday, 19th of October, at 18.00 & Thursday for optional excursion

Deadline for registration: September, 15th

Registration fee: 50 € - No registration fee for ALPARC members.

(If you are only an Educ'Alpes member, but not an ALPARC member, please contact us)

Before and after:

- Common dinner and evening on **Monday evening** (arrival) and **Wednesday evening**
- **Guided excursion** on demand (see registration form). A minimum of 5 participants is required for the excursion on Thursday.

Target public: Staff in charge of environmental education in the Alpine protected areas.

Limited number of participants: 30 persons max. (Priority to Alpine protected areas staff)



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