



LIFE + IN THE ALPS: LESSONS LEARNED AND OPPORTUNITIES

INFORMATION SEMINAR

7th FEBRUARY 2011 - 14H00 BOLZANO/BOZEN (ITALY) Auditorium European Academy

ORGANIZED BY THE PERMANENT SECRETARIAT OF THE ALPINE CONVENTION IN COOPERATION WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION, DG ENVIRONMENT <u>Preliminary Programme</u>

- 13.00 Welcome buffet
- **14:00 Opening of the Seminar** Marco Onida, Secretary General of the Alpine Convention Angelo Salsi, Head of Unit, LIFE Nature Unit, DG Environment, European Commission
- **14:15** All you need to know about the LIFE + instrument Angelo Salsi, Head of Unit, LIFE Nature Unit, DG Environment, European Commission
- 14:45 Questions

15:15 LIFE and LIFE + in practice: the experience of past and running projects in the Alps

- International programme for the Bearded vulture in the Alps Marie Zimmermann - Isabelle Epaillard ASTERS (Conservatoire des Espaces Naturels de Haute-Savoie)
- Conservation and surveillance of conservation status of wolf (Canis lupus) population in Slovenia

Annamarija Žagar, University of Ljubljana

• Improving the conservation status of nocturnal animals (moths and bats) by reducing the effect of artificial lighting at cultural heritage sites *Mojca Stojan-Dolar, Euromix d.o.o.*

16:00 Questions

16:30 – 16:45 Coffee break

- Integration of Agenda 21 and EMAS in a wide area with relevant ecological value Nino Martino, Parco Nazionale Dolomiti Bellunesi
- Life in Upper Drau River Norbert Sereinig - Klaus Michor, Amt der Kärnter Landesregierung
- Ursus Brenta II Project URSUS protection of the brown bear population of Brenta Roberto Zoanetti - Andrea Mustoni, Parco Naturale Adamello Brenta

17:45 Questions

18:15 Concluding remarks

INFORMATION REGARDING THE SEMINAR

LIFE is the EU's financial instrument supporting environmental and nature conservation projects throughout the EU, as well as in some candidate, acceding and neighbouring countries. Since 1992, LIFE has co-financed some 3115 projects, contributing approximately ≤ 2 billion to the protection of the environment. The next call, based on the regulation "LIFE +" in force since 2007 and covering the period until 2013, will be published in February 2011, shortly after this seminar.

The responsible officials of DG Environment of the European Commission and other experts who worked directly with LIFE projects will share their knowledge about this important instrument and its potential for environment and biodiversity protection in the Alpine area.

All promoters of candidate projects in the Alpine regions and all interested persons are invited to participate.

Free entrance but online or email registration will be requested in advance - DEADLINE 31st January 2011- of the event by sending an email to <u>life@alpconv.org</u> indicating name, surname, Organization and the participation at the welcome buffet.

For any question please refer to Marcella Macaluso, Permanent Secretariat of the Alpine Convention (Email: <u>Marcella.macaluso@alpconv.org</u>; Tel.+39 0471 055352)

The language of the event will be English.