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# Cooperation in Natural Hazard Management

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**Dear Sir or Madam!**

On 1 January 2018, the Tyrol took over the presidency of the EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP). The EUSALP enables more than 80 million inhabitants in 48 Alpine regions and seven states to face the most important challenges in the Alpine region together. One challenge that particularly affects the Alpine region is global and climatic change and the associated natural hazards. In this regard, the population's response to risk is of great importance. Regional cooperation models for financing protective measures, such as water associations and cooperatives in the area of flood, avalanche and rock protection, can make an important contribution here. The expert event "Cooperation in Natural Hazard Management" at the Tyrol Days of the European Forum Alpbach offers the opportunity to discuss the different forms of cooperation as well as the challenges and possible solutions with science and practice, local and regional decision-makers throughout the Alps and Europe.

**We cordially invite you to the EUSALP expert event**

**Cooperation in Natural Hazard Management**  
**Saturday, August 18, 2018, 2 – 6 p.m.**  
**Congress Centre Alpbach**  
**Hausnummer 246**  
**6236 Alpbach, Austria**

We look forward to your participation!

**Josef Geisler**  
Deputy Governor

**Maria Patek**  
EUSALP Action Group 8-Lead

## Programme

- 2.00 p.m. **Welcome**  
Franz Fischler, President European Forum Alpbach, Former EU-Commissioner
- Opening**  
- Deputy Governor of the Tyrol Josef Geisler  
- Maria Patek, Head of Section, Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism, Republic of Austria  
EUSALP Action Group 8 - Lead
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- 2.20 p.m. **Keynote speech**  
Peter Filzmaier, Professor of Political Science, Danube University Krems and Karl-Franzens University of Graz  
"The risk of nature ... and how do we deal with it?"
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- 2.40 p.m. **Examples from the EUSALP region**  
- Stefan Walder, Department of Water Management, Regional Government of Tyrol, "Flood risk management in the Tyrolean Lower Inn Valley"  
- Gebhard Walter, Service for Torrent and Avalanche Control, Director of Provincial Headquarters Tyrol, "Water board – Maintenance of protection measures – Paznaun Valley"  
- Willigis Gallmetzer, Warning Centre of the Civil Protection Agency, Autonomous Province of Bolzano, "River basin management in South Tyrol"  
- Norbert Baeuml, Bavarian Administration for Rural Development, "Initiative boden:staendig"
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- 4.10 p.m. **Coffee break**
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- 4.40 p.m. **Panel discussion**  
- Deputy Governor Josef Geisler  
- Helmut Haslinger, Coordination of the Water Board of the Zeller Basin Flood Protection Association  
- Maria Patek, Head of Section, Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism  
- Thomas Glade, Professor of Physical Geography, University of Vienna  
- Peter Filzmaier, Professor of Political Science, Danube University Krems and Karl-Franzens University of Graz
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- 5.40 p.m. **Wrap-up**
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- 6.00 p.m. **Standing buffet**

## **Moderation**

Susanne Delle Karth, communications agency wikopreventk

## **Languages**

Translation German – Italian – English,  
provided by European Forum Alpbach

## **Registration**

We kindly ask you to register **by 10 August** at the latest using the enclosed form and sending it to **registration@alpbach.org**  
Please note that there is no participation fee for the EUSALP event during the Tyrol Days.

## **Accommodation**

Together with your confirmation of registration you will receive a link to the reservation platform.

<https://www.alpbach.org/en/forum2018/accommodation-2018/>

## **Travel**

<https://www.alpbach.org/en/forum2018/travel-2018/>