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# 8<sup>th</sup> EUSALP Action Group 9 meeting

## Projects

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# REDIAFOR

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# Alpine Region Preparatory Action Fund (ARPAF II)

## Project proposal: “REDIAFOR”

### Project goals:

The project idea emerged out of a joint workshop “Alpine forests seen from a multi-disciplinary perspective” of action groups 2, 6, 7 and 9 during the EUSALP forum 2019 in Innsbruck.

### 3 main goals:

- Identification of Alpine Stakeholders and typology on conflicts about use of forest/timber in the Alps
- Workshops and training about solving/avoiding conflicts
- Communication toolkit developed

LP: AURA regional council

PP: AURA-EE, COFOR, TuM, Lucerne university, Fondazione Masch

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# CAESAR

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## Alpine Region Preparatory Action Fund (ARPAF II)

Project proposal: “**CAESAR**” – Capacitating Energy Efficiency in Small Alpine Enterprises

Project goals:

CAESAR addresses the gaps identified within EUSALP by

- Establishing a stakeholder network for energy efficiency in SMEs
- Rolling out a common auditing/assessment tools to be used by trained energy tutors
- Defining benchmarks and KPIs for energy efficiency in SMEs
- Train energy tutors, who shall assist SMEs to commit to energy saving schemes

LP: Energy Agency South Tyrol

PP: 4 partner institutions from SLO, ITA, AUT and GER, representing AGs 2 and 9.

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Project proposal: “**CAESAR**” – Capacitating Energy Efficiency in Small Alpine Enterprises

**The implementation of energy efficiency measures not only improves the competitiveness of our enterprises, it also forms a key element to reach Europe’s energy and climate targets 2030.**



Total budget: 180,000 Euro

Project duration: August 2019 – January 2020

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# ALPINE SPACE

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## Project development: 4<sup>th</sup> Alpine Space call (June 2019)

### Project proposal ALP\_EN\_DATA

Project goal: to create the conditions and instruments to establish and operate an Alpine Energy Observatory that will:

- provide periodically updated, accurate data;
- monitor the implementation of the EUSALP Energy Strategies and energy flows across the Alps;
- establish a common benchmarking methodology to evaluate policy objectives;
- exchange energy data-sharing experience and methods.

LP: Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes Energy and Environment Agency

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## Project development: 4<sup>th</sup> Alpine Space call (June 2019)

### Project proposal: RETRO+

#### Project goals:

- RETRO+ will raise the accessibility of services for (small) municipalities that need assistance in planning retrofitting activities (one stop shop);
- EUSALP policy recommendations will be developed;
- RETRO+ will develop an easy-to-use assessment scheme for administrations to detect action corridors for improving their refurbishment policies and measures.

LP: Energy Agency South Tyrol

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## Alpgrids: Project Overview

Country	Partner
Austria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WEIZ</li><li>• 4Ward Energy</li></ul>
France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AURA-EE</li><li>• CNR</li></ul>
Germany	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BAUM</li><li>• ROTHMOSE</li></ul>
Italy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• IRE Liguria</li><li>• DeMEPA</li><li>• UDINE</li></ul>
Slovenia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ENERGAP</li></ul>

- ✓ 10 Project Partners
- ✓ Targeted eligible budget: about 1.925.000 M€
- ✓ Oct 19 – June 22

**Objective :** create a common microgrid model and promote its development in the Alpine Space territories

- create a common, shared understanding of microgrids and their benefits

Based on collected real data analysis and simulations  
Identifying barriers and solutions (governance, technology, regulation, financing)  
Shared with key stakeholders

- create an enabling policy environment for microgrids

Policy recommendations

- replicate the model in the AS area and beyond

Replication /Engagement program  
Robust communication campaign

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## Target groups and transnational approach

- The target groups include:
  - National, Regional and Local Public Authorities (as policy makers and financiers)
  - Energy regulators (as policy makers)
  - Energy utilities (DSO)
  - Energy communities and municipalities (as users)
  - Energy agencies (as multipliers)
- Transnational cooperation will be facilitated and implemented in coordination with EUSALP AG9 thanks to the participation of AG9 members within the consortium.
- A sounding board will be created involving policy-makers, energy utility companies and regulators to provide guidance and appraise the policy related deliverables.

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## Expected results and outputs

### RESULTS

1. Policy impact assessment on Microgrids Model
2. Effective Microgrids Policy Strategies in AS Territories
3. More resilient territories and new market opportunities for microgrids across EUSALP

### OUTPUTS

1. A microgrid business and governance model for the Alpine territories
2. Full microgrids policy package
3. Transferability scheme and multiple joint exchanges (replication) beyond territories

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# AlpGov II

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## Project development: 4<sup>th</sup> Alpine Space call (June 2019)

### Project proposal: “AlpGov II”

**APPROVED**

LP: Regione Lombardia

PP: 15 co-leading institutions of the 9 EUSALP Action Groups

PPs for EUSALP Action Group 9:

- Energy Agency South Tyrol
- Auvergne Rhone Alpes Energy and Environment Agency

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## AlpGov II...

- ...serves as the main tool to make the EUSALP effective
  - ...create a structured learning process for the development of new skills to be shared among the members of the Action Groups and of the Executive Board and all the relevant actors (EUSALP Learning Environment)
  - ...launch strategic initiatives, both related to specific themes at the core of the Action Groups' as well as cross-sectoral initiatives highlighting the importance of mainstreaming EUSALP in policy dialogue and policies programming
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- Total budget: **2.823.076,80 Euro, of which ERDF 2.399.615,28 Euro**
  - Duration: 01-2020 to 06-2022 (30 months)
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## AlpGov II

Together with the EB, it has been agreed that the approach of AlpGov II aims at aligning the AGs' activities with political priorities; defining strategic actions and projects to be adopted by each AG and improving the interaction among AGs, EB, annual Presidencies and stakeholders. This process of strengthening the governance in the EUSALP will be based on the following activities:

- creation of a learning environment that will empower AGs and EB to strategically implement political goals;
- definition of cross-sectoral priorities that will be embedded in the regional policies and reflected in policy recommendations;
- implementation of strategic initiatives to boost EUSALP through the involvement of local communities and stakeholders;
- dialogue with the other MRSs to facilitate knowledge transfer; extensive communication.

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## AlpGov II

**WP 1 – Management (RL)**

**WP C – Communication (CGET)**

**WP T1** - Skills development and EUSALP Action Groups Empowerment (StMUV)  
- among else: Modules for 5 strategic capacity building topics

**WP T2** - Strategic Steering and monitoring of Implementation (ACC)

**WP T3** - Mobilizing strategic target groups (SAB)  
- policy recommendations

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## FRENCH PRESIDENCY 2020

- 04 and 05/02: kick off in Lyon. AG9 stand. One round table on 04/02 afternoon about forestry ( energy, adaptation, natural risks)
- April 2020: Event in Aix les Bains about forest: political and financial recommendations
- September 2020: Energy conference in Chamonix. Linking mitigation and adaptation. One day conference and half day excursion
- November 2020: Annual forum in Nice or Marseille

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## FRENCH PRESIDENCY 2020

4 mains objectives to be discussed:

- Financing Alpine Energy Observatory
- Promoting thermal energy ( heat and cold ): PACA?
- H<sub>2</sub>: very political topic. How to go on on this topic?
- Retrofitting buildings at high energy and sustainable standards

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