



ANNUAL FORUM 2021
EUROPEAN UNION STRATEGY FOR THE ALPINE REGION (EUSALP)
 CLOSING EVENT OF THE FRENCH PRESIDENCY 2020-2021

Nice-Acropolis

Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th December 2021
 (Hybrid format – on site and virtual)

Tuesday December 14th, 2021

First part of the Annual Forum

Coffee reception

8:00 – 9:00

9:00 – 12:00: General Assembly

Under specific invitation

Interpretation in 5 languages: French, Italian, Slovenian, German, English

For the members of the GA	For the other participants
Official Photo 12:00-12:15	Coffee reception for participants of the Annual Forum 12:00-14:00
Opening and visit of the exhibition - Village of initiatives 12:15-12:30	
Press conference 12:30-13:00	
Lunch 13:00-14:00	

14:00 – 18:00: Launch of the EUSALP Annual Forum

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14:00 – 14:25: Welcome session

- Welcoming words from **Magali ALTOUNIAN**, Deputy Mayor of Nice, Delegate for the European institutions
- **A look back at the 2020-2021 Presidency**: cooperation in the Alpine region to face climate change, promote adaptation to its effects and resilience (4-5 minutes)
- **Nicolas PLAIN**, civil society ambassador of the French Presidency (5 minutes)

14:25 – 15:00: Opening session – Achievements and highlights of EUSALP in 2021 for the French presidency – Outlooks for 2022 with the future Italian presidency

- **Renaud MUSELIER**, President of the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region, Deputy President of Regions de France
- **Patrick MOLINOZ**, Deputy President of Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Region
- **Laurent WAUQUIEZ**, President of Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region
- **Sławomir TOKARSKI**, Director, European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programme Implementation I, DG REGIO, European Commission
- **Joël GIRAUD**, French Secretary of State in charge of Rurality
- **Raffaele CATTANEO**, Regional Councilor Delegate for Environment and Climate of the Lombardy Region, Italian Presidency 2019 (videoconference)
- **Arno KOMPATSCHER**, President of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen–South Tyrol (videoconference) and **Mirko BISESTI**, Councilor for Education and Culture of the Autonomous Province of Trento, Italian Presidency 2022

15:00 – 17:00: Round tables – The ecological transition to face climate change: EUSALP in action for a sustainable and resilient Alpine region

- ✓ **Panel 1 : EUSALP acts in the face of climate change in the Alpine region**
15:00-15:40

- **Hugues FRANÇOIS**, Research Engineer (University of Grenoble-Alpes/ INRAE LESSEM)
- **Ingrid FELIPE**, Vice-President for Transport, Waste management and Sustainable development of Tyrol (videoconference)
- **Chantal EYMEOD**, Mayor of Embrun, Second Vice-President in charge of the Mountain Plan and European Affairs of the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region
- **Leandra KREISSER**, EUSALP Youth Council member, Tyrol
- **Philippe ALPY**, Vice President of the Doubs Department, in charge of territorial development and European affairs, President of the Métabief ski resort
- **Claus HABFAST**, City Councillor in charge of Europe, Mountains and Architectural Heritage, City of Grenoble



✓ **Panel 2 : EUSALP acts for the attractiveness of the Alpine region**
15:40-16:20

- **Luca GIUPPONI**, Researcher, UNIMONT, University of Milan
- **Matteo MARNATI**, Regional Councilor delegate for Environment, Energy, Innovation, Research of the Piedmont Region
- **Fabrice PANNEKOUCKE**, Regional Councilor delegate for Mountain Valleys, Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region
- **Sophia KIRCHER**, First Vice-President of the Tyrol Regional Parliament (videoconference)
- **Stefano TRAPLETTI**, EUSALP Youth Council member, Lombardy
- **Miro KRISTAN**, Vice-President of CIPRA International

✓ **Panel 3 : EUSALP acts for the resilience of the Alpine region**
16:20-17:00

- **Wolfgang CRAMER**, Professor-Dr- CNRS, Mediterranean Institute for Biodiversity and Ecology (IMBE), Aix-en-Provence
- **Jean-Pierre HALKIN**, Head of Unit Macro-regions, Transnational / Interregional / External Cooperation, Enlargement, DG REGIO, European Commission
- **Thorsten GLAUBER**, Bavarian State Minister for Environmental and Consumer Protection Affairs (video message)
- **Timothy SUNG**, EUSALP Youth Council member, Salzburg
- **Fiona MILLE**, President of Mountain Wilderness
- **Asa ROGELJ** Deputy Director General, Minister of Environment and Spatial Planning of Slovenia (visioconference) & **Milena DOBNIK JERAJ** Head of Development Projects Service, Minister of Defence, Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for Civil Protection and Disaster Relief (visioconference)

17:05 – 18:20: Youth sequence: encouraging youth initiatives in the Alps – Final of the Pitch Your Project competition

Presentation of the five finalist projects and vote by all participants for the three best projects, followed by the awarding of the prizes:

- **Liliane LUCCHESI**, Regional Councilor Delegate of Bourgogne-Franche-Comté region
- **Sławomir TOKARSKI**, Director, European Territorial Cooperation, Macro-regions, Interreg and Programme Implementation I, DG REGIO, European Commission

18:20: Conclusion of the day

Welcome

19:00-19:30

Seated dinner





19:30-21:30

Show

21:30

Wednesday December 15th, 2021
Second part of the Annual Forum

8:00 – 8:30: Coffee reception

8:30-11:00: Thematic workshops
Interpretation in 2 languages: French and English

8:30 – 9:45	<p>Thematic workshop 1</p> <p>Exploring the potential of smart specialisation partnerships in the Alpine Region</p>	<p>Thematic workshop 2</p> <p>Stayin' alive - of EUSALP's forests" How may forest and timber practitioners as well as civil society respond to the climate crisis before the abyss!</p>	<p>Thematic workshop 3</p> <p>Year-round sustainable tourism</p>	<p>Thematic workshop 4</p> <p>Education and the labour market in the EUSALP area: challenges and potential solutions</p>
9:45 – 11:00	<p>Thematic workshop 5</p> <p>Railway, hydrogen and alternative fuels in the Alpine Region</p>	<p>Thematic workshop 6</p> <p>Cooperation between the different youth networks in the Alpine Region</p>	<p>Thematic workshop 7</p> <p>Territorial brands, UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage recognitions, and FAO Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems as instruments to promote sustainable territorial development</p>	<p>Thematic workshop 8</p> <p>Spatial planning: for a fair and green Alpine region</p>

11:00 – 12:00: Closing plenary session of the Annual Forum

- **Christian ESTROSI**, Mayor of Nice, President of Nice-Côte d'Azur Metropolis, Delegate President of Provence-Alpes-côte d'Azur Region
 - **Christiane BARRET**, General Delegate of the French Presidency
 - **Fabrice PANNEKOUCKE**, Regional Counsellor delegate for Mountain Valleys, Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region
 - **Patrick MOLINOZ**, Vice-President of the Bourgogne-Franche-Comté Region
 - **Renaud MUSELIER**, President of the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur Region, Deputy President of Regions de France
 - **Elisa FERREIRA**, European Commissioner in charge of Cohesion and Reforms (video message)
 - **Joël GIRAUD**, French Secretary of State in charge of rurality
- **Handover ceremony between the French Presidency 2020-2021 and the Italian Presidency 2022**
Mara CARFAGNA, Minister of Territorial Cohesion (videoconference), **Arno KOMPATSCHER**, President of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano/Bozen (videoconference) and **Mirko BISESTI**, Councilor for Education and Culture of the Autonomous Province of Trento – Italian Presidency 2022 (videoconference)

Buffet lunch

12:00-14:00

Visit proposed on the territory of Nice Côte d'Azur Metropole

Visit of the exhibition "Albert Camus" (in French, Italian and English)

14:00-17:00

During the whole event, participants will be able to walk through the village of initiatives: around 35 exhibition panels dedicated to the work of the action groups, cross sectoral initiatives, EUSALP general thematic, youth.shaping.EUSALP and the Communication campaign during COVID-19 pandemic.