



EUSALP Action Group 4 Mobility (AG4)

To promote inter-modality and interoperability in passenger and freight transport



Members of AG4

6 National States:	France, Germany, Italy, Liechtenstein, Slovenia, Switzerland
18 Regions and Provinces:	Aosta Valley, Bavaria, Burgenland, Carinthia, Central Switzerland with Ticino, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Grisons, Liguria, Lombardy, Piedmont, Région Sud Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, Salzburg, South Tyrol, Styria, Trentino, Tyrol, Veneto, Vorarlberg
3 Observers:	Alpine Convention, European Commission, Interreg Alpine Space Programme
4 Members in Advisory role:	Central European Initiative, CIPRA International, CIPRA Youth Council, EUROCHAMBRES

Mission

The EUSALP Action Group 4 Mobility offers a platform to coordinate and harmonise the activities of Alpine regions, countries and stakeholders for a sustainable transport and mobility system. Its mission is to build a common understanding of transport policy and mobility, to define common objectives and to launch specific activities and projects.

Objectives of the AG4

In order to address the most important challenges and opportunities concerning mobility in the Alpine Region, the AG4 works towards the following objectives:

- **To promote inter-modality and interoperability in passenger and freight transport** by supporting and fostering the removal of infrastructure bottlenecks, by bridging missing links, coordinating planning, timetables and ticketing of public transport across borders, modernizing infrastructure, improving combined transport and enhancing cooperation between the concerned players and decision-makers.
- **To support the modal shift from road to rail.** The Alpine regions are particularly sensitive to negative environmental and social impacts caused by the excessive traffic flow of freight and passenger transport through the Alps. In order to tackle this challenge the AG4 promotes the harmonization and implementation of policy measures that support a modal shift, with a focus on combined transport.
- **To develop cooperation and greater integration** between the existing bodies and structures in the field of transport in the Alpine Region, to improve coordination and ensure consistency between existing initiatives in order to avoid duplications and encourage the alignment of funding. Strong links have been established with the Alpine Convention, the Suivi de Zurich Process, the iMONITRAF! Network and numerous Interreg projects on transport and mobility.

Action Group Lead

In 2016, the EGTC European Region Tyrol-South Tyrol-Trentino was entrusted with the lead of AG4 and mandated the region of Tyrol to take the strategic lead function in this Action Group on its behalf. Since 2019, the AG4 lead is shared with the Région Sud Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur.

AG4 work

The work of AG4 can be categorized into two bundles of activities: (1) it coordinates between relevant stakeholders in the fields of transport/mobility to make use of synergies between existing projects/groups/bodies/etc., and (2) it initiates its own projects, studies and implementation activities, part of which is usually commissioned to other actors.

To allow for regular internal exchange between the members of AG4, the group meets three times per year. The EUSALP Mobility Conference, which takes place on an annual basis, offers a platform for interaction between political decision makers, stakeholders in the fields of mobility and transport, and the wider public.

Table: Past activities of EUSALP Action Group 4 Mobility (July 2020)

Title	Description	Output
<p>Alpine Platform of Knowledge (PoK) for Mobility and Transport</p>	<p>Development of an interactive, regularly updated tool gathering all the data produced in the course of AG4 activities. The data is displayed in form of a WebGIS.</p> 	<p>Platform of Knowledge</p>
<p>Transport & Mobility Conflict Map</p>	<p>Development of a map identifying the most important challenges and conflicts of transport and mobility in the Alps (e.g. lacking connectivity, noise and air pollution, landscape destruction).</p>	<p>Summary of activity Online brochure Brochure</p>
<p>Recent estimates for external costs in mountain areas</p>	<p>Study on external costs of the transport sector in the Alps (air, noise, nature & landscape, congestion), serving as basis for following AG4 activities.</p>	<p>Summary of activity Report</p>
<p>Analysis on the potential optimisation of logistic chains and combined transport flows</p>	<p>Commissioning of a preparatory study and organisation of dialogue events with strategic implementation partners to investigate and optimise multi-modal logistic chains</p>	<p>Summary of activity Report Working Step 1 Report Working Steps 2 + 3 Report Working Step 4</p>
<p>Overview of existing pricing components that influence the competitiveness between road and rail freight transport</p>	<p>Study providing an overall analysis of existing policy-induced pricing components, serving as a scientific basis for following AG4 activities, and policy recommendations.</p>	<p>Summary of activity Report Factsheet Annex</p>
<p>ARPAF – CrossBorder</p>	<p>Project on cross-border mobility and commuter flows in the Alpine Region, providing tailor-made public transport and mobility management solutions in selected cross-border hotspots.</p> 	<p>Summary of activity Project compendium Reports: - Influence of remote work on cross-border passenger flows - Improvement of cross-border mobility and passenger flows: innovative solutions - Cooperation in cross-border mobility - Existing cross-border mobility networks Toolbox for sustainable commuter mobility Compact on behavior change Models for cross-border mobility (story map)</p>
<p>Methodology for a systematic assessment of individual projects</p>	<p>Development of a methodology for the evaluation of projects contributing to the interconnection of public transport operation and/or sustainable infrastructure of combined and passenger transport. Projects of particular macroregional added value receive a "EUSALP AG4 Label".</p>	<p>Summary of activity</p>

AG4 work plan 2020-2022

The 2nd AG4 Work Plan builds on previous results and findings to focus more strongly on implementation and on positioning AG4 as a key player in transport policy making. AG4 activities (A-G) are implemented under three thematic areas (TA1-TA3):

- (TA1) **Smart clean logistics and combined transport to support modal shift**
 - A – Strategic framework: Policy measures to support modal shift (with focus on Combined Transport)
 - B – Masterplan ports and inland terminals

- (TA2) **Accessibility on local and regional transport links on the secondary network**
 - C – Masterplan for secondary networks

- (TA3) **Smart and low-carbon mobility & innovative public transport solutions**
 - D - Innovative forms of public transport, real-time passenger information and ticketing
 - E - Innovative propulsion systems and fuels: strategic activity for French EUSALP Presidency
 - F - Strategic initiative on cross-border mobility with possible focus on commuters and data collection
 - G - Mobility and lifestyle, dynamic data collection

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