



Numerous investigations have shown the immense richness and benefits of biodiversity in the Alps, as well as what could be done to safeguard and ensure its continuance. However these findings have not been universally adopted in policies or by those responsible for implementing them.

This is where the greenAlps project comes in:

It investigates and takes the results from ongoing and completed European projects, processes them and makes them accessible to the key stakeholders at regional, national and international level. The aim is to improve the framework conditions for sustainable, efficient European environmental policies that will protect and maintain nature in the Alps.

To ensure biodiversity conservation and the functioning of ecosystem services in the Alps, long-term landscape planning, new methods of co-operation between the various stakeholders and decision makers are required, and preventive measures have to be put in place.

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- **Identification of key results** of relevant projects to build on.
- **Creation of awareness** that ecological connectivity and sustainable use of natural resources are the basis for the effective functioning of ecosystem services.
- **Definition of transnational needs** for implementing the defined policy vision.

Aims

- **Ensuring the long term use** of the results of European biodiversity conservation projects.
- **Feeding project results** into European development and environmental strategies.
- **Explaining abstract project results** to regional stakeholders in a way that enables them to translate them into concrete actions.
- **Providing** a comprehensive and understandable «**set of instruments** for good environmental governance» for regional decision makers.



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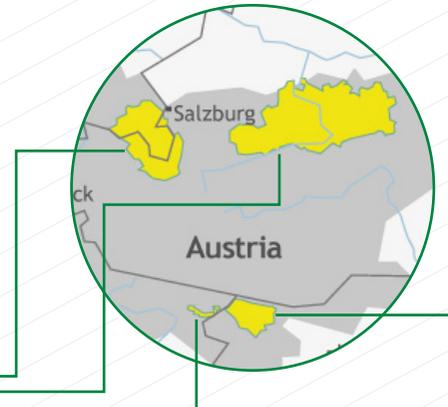
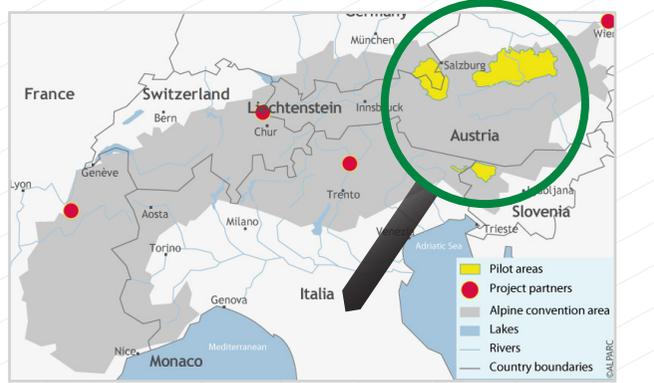
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Pilot Areas



The pilot areas represent very different regions of the Alps.

The applicability of the strategic results and their transferability to European level will be tested here.

Nationalpark Berchtesgaden

The transboundary region Berchtesgaden (Germany) – Salzburg (Austria) is characterised by pristine alpine habitats.

The protected areas in the region are particularly suited as starting points for developing integrated approaches to biodiversity conservation.

Their goals within greenAlps are:

- enhance ecological connectivity and local governance.
- co-operate strongly with the Biosphere Reserve Berchtesgadener Land and the Nature Park Weissbach.

Kalkalpen National Park and Gesäuse National Park

In the pilot area in the Northern Limestone Alps at the borders of Upper Austria, Styria and Lower Austria extensive forests cover a lot of the mountainous alpine landscape.

Many endangered species can be found there. This hotspot of biodiversity is preserved by a dense protected area network.

Their goals within greenAlps are:

- improve ecological connectivity.
- raise awareness of the outstanding natural potential in the region.

Julian Prealps Nature Park

The Julian Prealps Nature Park lies in the region Friuli Venezia Giulia, Italy. Three biogeographical areas meet here: the Mediterranean, the Alpine and the Illyrian regions, resulting in great biodiversity.

The park is a transboundary protected area together with Triglav National Park.

Their goals within greenAlps are:

- raise awareness of the outstanding natural potential in the region.
- to strengthen attention to nature, especially among young generations through support of environmental education.

Triglav National Park (TNP) and Bohinj tourist area

The TNP extends in the north-western part of Slovenia. The landscape is characterized by glacier-shaped valleys, mountain plateaus and steep mountain ridges above the tree line. More than a quarter of the National Park is situated within the Municipality of Bohinj which is one of the most well-known tourist areas in Slovenia.

Their goals within greenAlps are:

- examine the most significant results of previous and running projects including ecosystem services as the key element.
- contribute to a process of creating and adapting conservation policies at regional, national and common EU levels.

