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<b>WIKIALps - the Alpine WIKI</b>								
	<p>WIKIALps: The knowledge and information platform for everyone interested in a sustainable, balanced, and shared territorial development in the Alpine Space. To start the <b>WIKIALps</b> experience use the navigation menu on the left, the <b>glossary</b>, the tag cloud, the search function at the top of the page or surf from article to article through the links present in the different articles. You can also browse articles by topic using the <b>taglist</b>.</p>	<p><b>From WIKIALps' featured article</b></p> <p>In the Alps, the proportion of grassland accounts for 18 % of the land cover. (Mann 2013, p. 105)<sup>1</sup>. Traditionally, grassland is the basis for forage farming owing to local condition like e.g. harsh climate and slope steepness. Due to structural change of agriculture in the Alps, the supply of biomass production from grassland is influenced e.g. by the use of fertilizers and selection of forage plants. Grassland formations range from intensively managed pastures in the valley bottoms to extensive <b>meadows</b> and Alpine swards upwards the altitudinal belt. (<a href="#">Full article...</a>)</p> 						
<b>SMART ALTITUDE - Alpine winter tourism territories demonstrating an integrated framework for a low-carbon, high-impact and resilient future</b>								
	<p>This Alpine Space Project aims at enabling and accelerating the implementation of low-carbon policies in winter tourism regions. Technical solutions for the reduction of energy consumption and GHG emissions in mountain settlements relying on winter tourism today exist, with up to 40% reduction potential. However, key trade-offs are at the heart of their slow uptake: they require stronger and innovative involvement to overpass strategic (goals, priorities, risks), economic (costs, financing) and organizational (partnership, stakeholder involvement) challenges. <b>Smart Altitude</b> will demonstrate the efficiency of a decision support tool integrating all challenges into a step-by-step approach to energy transition by setting up a territory dashboard for measuring and visualizing energy performance, deploying integrated energy management solutions in 3 pilot ski resorts, creating a toolkit for planning, optimizing and implementing solutions and policies, and ensuring the replication and knowledge transfer over the Alpine Space whole territory.</p>	<p><b>AlpES Project &amp; WIKIALps</b></p> <p><b>Alpine Ecosystem Services - mapping, maintenance, and management:</b> <b>Ecosystems and their services</b> go beyond national borders and need a transnational approach for their dynamic protection, sustainable use, management and risk prevention. As a basis for joint action, public authorities, policy makers, NGOs, researchers and economic actors - the AlpES target groups - need a common understanding of ecosystem services, comparable information on their status and support in using appropriate tools for integrating them in their fields of work. The AlpES project's overall objective is to introduce ecosystem services as a regional/transnational environmental governance framework (<a href="#">read more...</a>).</p> <p>Within the AlpES project, <b>WIKIALps</b> aims to foster a common understanding of ES concepts, ES benefits and natural capital. The AlpES project partners are contributing towards this goal by making AlpES project information and results publicly available through the WIKIALps website. By expanding the WIKIALps with information related to the AlpES project, the website is strengthening its position as an important knowledge platform on the Alpine space...</p>						
	<p><b>WIKIALps tag cloud</b></p> <p>accessibility alpes_project alpes_projekt biodiversity climate_change ecosystem_services environmental_policy eu_project governance indicator_knowledge_transfer landscape_metadata natural_resource_management peri-urban_development progetto_alpes renewable_energies risk_management servizi_ecosistemici sviluppo_territoriale territorial_development urban-rural_partnership urban_development water_management webgis</p>	<p><b>Invitation to contribute articles on ecosystem services in the Alpine Space</b></p> <p>To expand and advance WIKIALps, we'd like to invite experts on <b>Ecosystem Services</b> in the Alpine Space to contribute their knowledge to the WIKIALps by improving, discussing or writing articles. (<a href="#">Full article...</a>)</p> <p><b>Do you want to join us?</b></p> <p>If you want to share your knowledge with us, please <a href="#">register here</a>. To get more information read the article on <a href="#">how to contribute</a> to WIKIALps for enabling a sustainable, balanced, and shared territorial development in the Alpine Space.</p> 						

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