

The outcomes of the studies presented stressed the importance of emphasizing the Alpine Region, also for its scientific-naturalistic features, whose universal values are to be recognized in relation to its nomination for UNESCO World Heritage List.

The Meeting is to be the best occasion to present the first worldwide results of some important scientific studies carried out in the last decade with the Italian coordination. In particular some important projects will be illustrated: ECALP with its important outcomes, aiming at accurately assessing the ecopedological characteristics of the alpine territory in order to obtain an updated soil information system and to better face the growing concern with climate change and other relevant scientific studies on the conservation of wild species (Alpine flora and fauna) carried out by Italy in the framework of the Alpine Convention.

In this context the study on the juridical tools for transnational cooperation, carried out by EURAC and the Autonomous Region of Valle d'Aosta, stresses the advantages a management of transnational areas can benefit from a juridical point of view



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*The universal value of the Alpine Arc through the scientific outcomes of the studies carried out in the areas of high environmental relevance and the protected areas of the Alps*

*Environmental, naturalistic and legal aspects: ECALP Project, the Study on the protection of the wild species of the Convention of the Alps, juridical tools for transnational cooperation*



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## THURSDAY 23rd MARCH 2006

**12:00** *Welcome, arrangement and registration of the participants*

**13:00 - 13:45** *Lunch*

**14:00** *Opening of the works: Local and National Authorities*

Have been invited:

ROBERTO TORTOLI, Undersecretary, Italian Ministry for the Environment and Territory

CORRADO CLINI, General Director, Environmental Research and Development Department, Italian Ministry for the Environment and Territory

LEONELLO SERVA, Director of Land Resources and Soil Protection Department, Italian Agency for Environmental Protection and for Technical Services (APAT)

**15:00** *The lists of the UNESCO cultural and environmental sites and the operative aspects of the nominations*

Have been invited:

MECHTILD ROSSLER, Responsible for the UNESCO WHC, Europe

GIUSEPPE PROIETTI, Head – RIO Department of Italian Ministry for Culture and Heritage

**15:30** *Reasons for the nomination of the Alpine Arc as UNESCO world heritage site*

Have been invited:

LINO MALARA, General Director, Department for cultural heritage, Veneto Region

*Learned Lessons from the preparation of the Dolomiti dossier:* Irma Visalli, Town Councillor from the Belluno Municipality

*Expectations of the responsible persons of the transnational Parks:* Patrizia Rossi, Director of the Alpi Marittime Park

**16:30 – 16:45** *Coffee break*

**16:45** *Question time*

**17:15** *Presentation of the study activities on the implementation of the Alpine Convention in Italy:* Egizia Ventura, European Academy (EURAC)

**17:30** *Presentation of UNESCO site of the Sacro Monte Calvario - Ente riserva regionale speciale*

**17:45** *Closing of the first day of work*

## FRIDAY 24th MARCH 2006

**9:00** *The APAT role in the development of study projects in the field of the Alpine Convention:* Marisa Amadei, Director of Nature Protection Department, Italian Agency for Environmental Protection and for Technical Services (APAT)

**9:15** *The ECALP Project: Ecopedological Map of the Alps 1:250.000 - prototype version*

*Results of the ECALP project:* Giuseppe Triacchini, Center for Research on the Environment and Sustainable Development of the Lombardia Region (CRASL)

*Mapping the Alpine Territory within the context of the INSPIRE initiative:* Luca Montanarella, European Commission, Directorate General Joint Research Center (JRC)

*Regional information contribution to the creation of an informative base for soil in the Alps:* Paolo Giandon, Regional Agency for Environmental Protection (ARPA) of Veneto Region

*Motivation, achievements and difficulties within the ECALP Project from the Austrian point of view:* Alexandra Freudenschuß, Department of Terrestrial Ecology, Austrian Federal Environment Agency (UBA)

*Elaboration of ECALP cross border soil database using different national data sources:* Borut Vrscaj, Agricultural Institute of Slovenia / Soil Science, Soil Information and Environment, Slovenia

**10:45 – 11:15** *Coffee break*

**11:15** *The Study on the protection of wild species in the Alpine Convention (Flora e fauna)*

*Project on the collection of data on the protection of wild species (flora e fauna): development and outcomes:* Marisa Amadei, Director of Nature Protection Department, Italian Agency for Environmental Protection and for Technical Services (APAT)

*Swiss contribution to data collection (flora e fauna):* Yves Gonseth, Centre Suisse de cartographie de la faune (CSCF), Neuchâ, tel

**12:00** *Presentation on the Study on juridical cooperation tools for the sustainable development of a transnational mountain area. Transnational cooperation in mountain areas*

Marco Pertile, University of Trento

Giuseppe Avolio, European Academy (EURAC)

**12:30** *Question time*

**13:00 – 14:00** *Lunch*

**14:00** *Round table: the Alps from local heritage to UNESCO World Heritage*

Have been invited:

Coordinator: Nicola Bono, Undersecretary, Italian Ministry for Culture and Heritage

Manuel Roberto Guido, Responsible of UNESCO office of the Italian Ministry for the Environment and Territory

Representatives from the transnational Countries

Michele Ottino, Gran Paradiso National Park

**16:30** *Closing of the works*