



## PROGRAMME

### 4<sup>th</sup> International Workshop "Mountain Environmental Education in Alpine Protected Areas"

18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2016  
Refuge de Bayasse - Mercantour National Park - France

#### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October evening

Arrival of the participants, first get-together and common dinner possible on place at Bayasse Refuge where it is possible to eat until 20:00.

Monday afternoon, 14:00: meeting of the French group in the frame of Educ'Alpes

#### Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> October

*Nota bene: we keep the possibility to switch the sessions within the programme, especially the Interpretation session, depending on the weather conditions.*

09:00	<b>WELCOME</b> by the Mercantour National Park, with a representative of the park. <b>VISIT</b> of the Information point of the Park and presentation of the educational programme and pedagogical strategy of the Mercantour National Park - Elena Maselli
09:45	<b>Introduction to the Workshop by ALPARC and Educ'Alpes</b> , Marie Stoeckel & Isabelle Roux Joint definition of the <b>objectives</b> of the group
10:00	<b>Get-together</b> for a coffee break <b>&amp; Presentation</b> of the participants to know each other.  Installation of the <b>Information Table</b> : an occasion to show and share some of your pedagogical tools or documentation. Time dedicated to know each-other and to exchange about your experience and the job of environmental education officer in protected areas. Cooperative plays. Organisation of the thematic sessions of Wednesday morning - Presentation "pitch" for each session and registration to the sessions in small groups.
11:00	<b>WORK SESSION 1 - Youth at the top, a joint initiative - Part 1</b> Feedback and evaluation of the two first editions. Introduction by Sara Gossi Common strategy for next editions in upcoming years Financial aspects How to enlarge the participation and strengthen the initiative in a long-term view Moderation by ALPARC and Educ'Alpes
12:30	<b>Alpine buffet</b> , with specialities shared by all participants On place

14:00	<p><b>THEMATIC SESSION about INTERPRETATION in Mountain Protected Areas</b></p> <p>A 4 hours thematic session dedicated to “INTERPRETATION” in Mountain protected areas, with Markus Blank, working at Gesäuse National Park (Austria) and member of the Supervisory Committee of INTERPRET EUROPE.</p> <p>Interpretation is a structured approach to non-formal learning specialised in communicating significant ideas about a place to people on leisure. It establishes a link between visitors and what they can discover at heritage sites such as a nature reserve, a historic site or a museum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1 hour presentation in the meeting room + 3 hours practical experiences in the field</li> <li>○ Sharing experiences: questions, contributions and testimonies by participants are very welcome</li> </ul>
18:00	End
19:00	Convivial evening with musical animation and buffet Refuge de Bayasse - Invitation by the Mercantour National Park

## Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> October

09:00	Introduction to the parallel work sessions in small groups Objectives, moderation, duration, reporting...
09:20	<p><b>WORK SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>2. The Alps in my backpack:</b> Test and feedback on the joint pedagogical tool. Development of additional resources. <i>ALPARC</i></p> <p><b>3. The future of visitor centres &amp; exhibits:</b> Rethinking the economic model of park's and reserves' houses in a context of lower budget. Eventually with a feedback from the workshop of Pro Natura about visitor centres in 2050? <i>Input by Ulf Zimmermann?</i></p> <p><b>4. Concept of "Biofilia":</b> Short presentation of the concept. How a protected area can consider, integrate and apply this concept in its own activities and strategies? <i>Input by Cristina Del Corso?</i></p> <p><b>5. Trends in youth attitude towards protected areas:</b> Challenges for the future, interpretation, interactive demonstration. <i>Presentation by the team of the Triglav National Park.</i></p> <p><b>6. Taking a step back to analyse our pedagogical messages:</b> What do we tell to our visitors? How and why? <i>Input by Frank Miramand?</i></p> <p><b>7. Refugees and protected areas:</b> Which contribution by the protected areas? What kind of activities can be developed toward this particular public? Exchange of experience. <b>Or any other topic?</b></p> <p><i>Coffee break around 10:45</i></p>
12:00	Sharing the conclusions of the work sessions in a common session
12:30	Lunch on place - invitation by ALPARC
14:00	Guided excursion around the refuge with the hut-keeper & mountain guide, Magali Dufour
15:30	Coffee break around the Information table
16:00	<p><b>Conclusion of WORK SESSION1 - Youth at the top - Part 2</b></p> <p>Dates of editions 2017 and 2018 Advices, decisions, work plan</p>
17:00	Conclusion of the workshop
17:45	End
19:00	Common dinner on place <i>Followed by an animation about night, to be confirmed</i>

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> October

08:30 -  
13:30

### Excursion in the core zone of the Mercantour National Park

5 alpine lakes around the Cayolle pass: beautiful hike along various lakes, with many extraordinary viewpoints, in an area rich of emblematic fauna. Height difference ca. 500m.



## USEFUL INFORMATION

**Target group:** Staff in charge of environmental education in the Alpine protected areas.

**Languages:** No simultaneous translation. The meeting will be held in English.

**Registration:** See registration form and deadline. **30 participants max.** ALPARC and Educ'Alpes members have priority.

**Costs:** Travel and accommodation are in charge of the participants, including the meals which are not mentioned as invitations in the programme (payment on place). Registration fee 50€, offered to ALPARC members.

**Travel:** See the "Practical Information" document in appendix.

**Accommodation:** please, book your room at Bayasse Refuge through the Online Registration Form

Find the price list and information in the document "Practical information"

**Deadline for registration:** September the 15<sup>th</sup>

## IMPORTANT: TO BRING WITH YOU

- Some pedagogical material from your Protected Area to present and share with the other participants.
- Food products from your region for the picnic and breaks: this will be the occasion to discover salty or sweet specialities from other parts of the Alps.
- Equipment for the excursion: mountain boots, warm and rain clothes, binoculars, camera...
- Papers: Especially if you will travel through Switzerland, don't forget your valid ID or passport.

Thanks to the Mercantour National Park for hosting the meeting: [www.mercantour.eu](http://www.mercantour.eu)

Thanks to Educ'Alpes for its contribution to co-animate the meeting: [www.educalpes.fr](http://www.educalpes.fr)

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