

La convenzione delle Alpi per una politica comune sull'acqua



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The water platform IS

(acts as) a **network of experts** sharing experiences by means of **workshops** (rather than scientific conferences) bringing together **administrations, practitioners and stakeholders**



The water platform

discusses **water issues** and produces **comments and guidelines** that can be assumed by the Ministries of the participating countries and becomes **recommendations** to the **countries** and to the commission



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It can be summarized by the word:

COHESION



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All the deliberations needs to be taken **unanimously**, and therefore represent a sort of what is recognized by all the countries.

This can be considered as a **minimalistic** approach from many. However, it allows to **build** steadily, **on solid basis**



Decisions

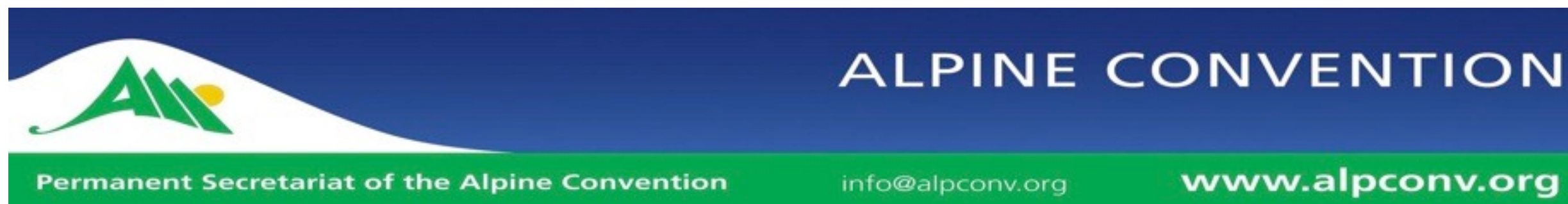
Are actually taken by the **permanent committee** which involve a further passage of harmonization among the various positions.



Workshop in Bolzano

Alpine Spring Festival
ecologists

Water change in climate change



Bolzano outcomes

Becoming aware of impacts from the point of view of **scientists:**
hydrologists and ecologists

Working with **small business** and
administration to cope with climate
change



Workshop in Aosta

March 19 2013

Experiences and paths in the implementation of the Flood Directive (2000/60/EC and 2007/60/EC) in Alpine areas



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keeping into consideration the **bounds** given by the Directive **2000/60/EC** which requires “[...] **river basin management plans to be developed for each river basin district in order to achieve good ecological and chemical status**”, and the new scientific findings on climate change that have stressed as a priority the need to give operative answers to complex issues such as **risk and hazard**.



Aosta outcomes

Overview of the **methodologies** of application of the directives in the different countries.

Common document with PLANALP on these methodologies

Recommendation for the application of the directive in the different countries



Workshop in Brescia

Water and risk management facing climate change: towards the local adaptation - October 9 - 10

the Conference adopted an **Action Plan on Climate Change** in March 2009, aimed at making the Alps an exemplary region in preventing and adapting to climate change. The Action Plan invites decision-makers and other stakeholders and helps them in **mitigating climate change and adapting to their effects** by sharing information on climate change in the Alps and on water and risk management, including the **spreading of good practices**.



Brescia outcomes

A first step toward the **guidelines for adaptation to climate** change for mountain areas which will be disclosed in their final form at the Fifth Water Conference.

Stressing the **mountains areas** peculiarities



Workshop in Lyon

March-April 2014

Rivers morphology and their impact on riverine ecosystems

Workshop in Graz

March 25-26 2014

Risk assessment in river basins



Expected outcomes of Lyon and Graz

Advancement and refinement of the documents about the application of the **flood directives and their harmonization**

Definition of topics for the new mandate



Fifth Water Conference in Trento

September 2014 - Trento

Adapting alpine and mountain river basins to climate change



Fifth Water Conference

I – INTRODUCTION

II – CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE MOUNTAIN REGIONS

III – THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON **SEDIMENT TRANSPORT AND CRYOSPHERE**

IV – THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON **FLOOD MANAGEMENT**

V – FROM THE AWARENESS OF CLIMATE CHANGE TO THE **REGIONAL ADAPTATION PLANS** IN DIFFERENT MOUNTAIN BASINS – PERSPECTIVES AND CASE STUDIES

VI – WATER MANAGEMENT IN AN HOLISTIC APPROACH: **THE WATER-FOOD-ENERGY-ECOSYSTEM NEXUS** (WITH UNECE)



Expected outcomes of Trento

Final document of the **guidelines** of adaptation plan in mountain areas to be adopted by ministries of environment of the participating countries.

Please pay attention to the fact that, besides the **conception** of the document there would a lot of work for **agreeing** on the common positions on several **issue**.



Information

<http://www.alpconv.org/en/organization/groups/WGWater/default.html>



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*“... obviously we are not among those who present perspectives in the name of **abstract principles**, of an autonomous constructivism that give to **technocrats** the role to make Europe, even without **any respect of democracy**- ... and **not accounting for history** of places and people ... - and think that the local interests represent narrow-minded and short-sighted provincialism ...”*

Thank you so much for the attention

G.Ulrici, 2000 ?

