

Pastoralism in the French Alps

Quick presentation of pastoralism organisation in France and particularly in the Alps.

Context

- 2 states
- 8 counties

- 1000 to 1500 independant shepherds (hard to get any informations)
- 28.6M€ states assistance in 2020
 - 35% breeder/shepherds
 - 40% independent shepherds
 - 13% protective dogs
 - 10% investments




ABBASP (Association des Bergères et Bergers des Alpes du Sud et de Provence)

A french Shepherd organisation in the Alps
years of existence

40

±100 members for ±1000 shepherds in french Alps



Create a
shepherds
network

Defend
Shepherds rights

Set forth the
Pastoralism
world

ABBASP Goals - 1. Networking

- Training sessions and skill exchange days
- Working days with Shepherds to define common position
- Lettre aux bergers (communication: annually printed paper)
- SMS network (Roger Minard SMS network is born in ABBASP)
- Federation

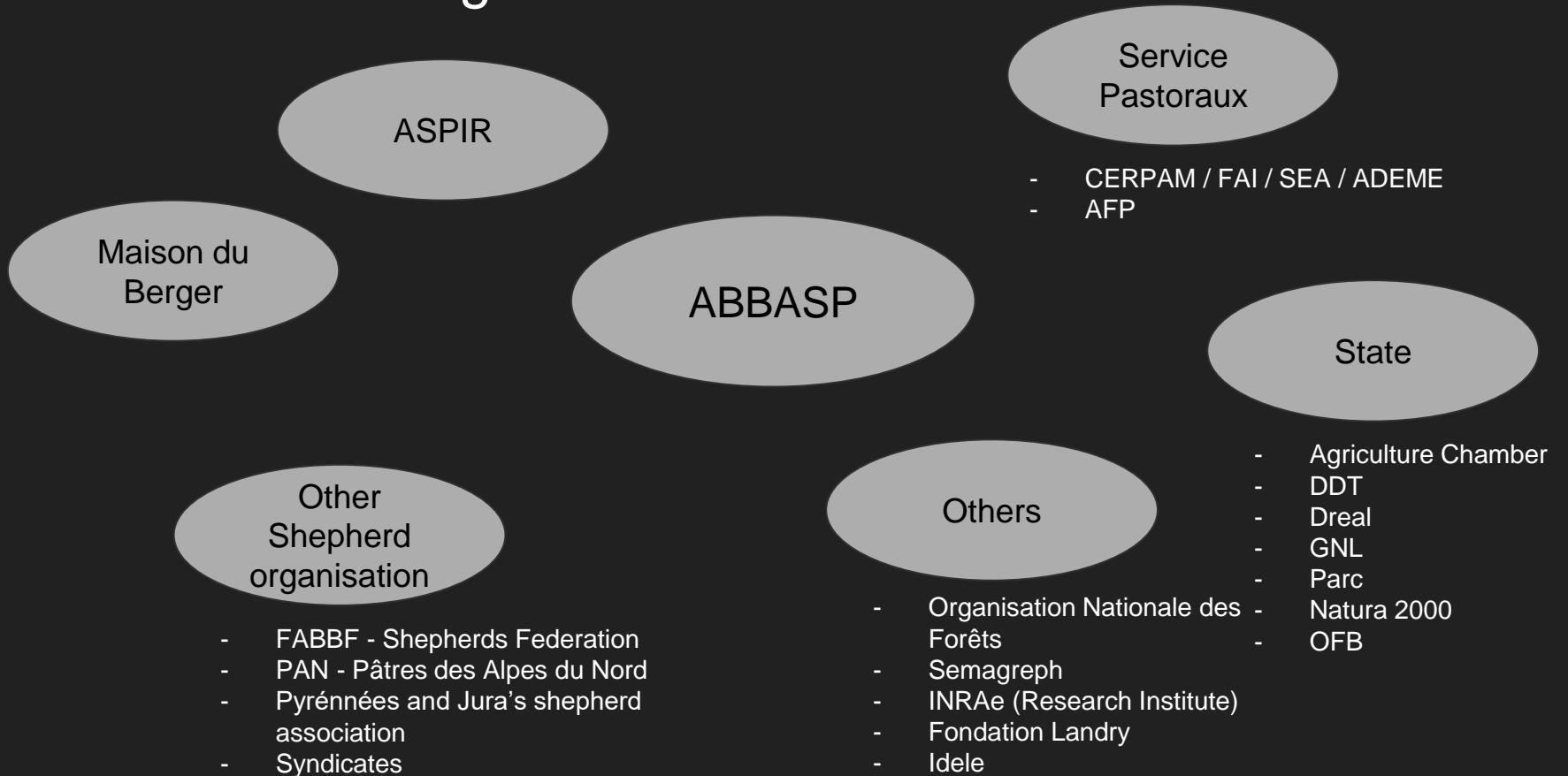
ABBASP Goals - 2. Protect (rights and persons)

- Being present in most of State organizations, to share and defend Shepherd rights and work conditions where most things are decided
- Work Hand to hand with syndicates to defend and protect shepherd rights

ABBASP Goals - 3. Set forth

- Work hand to hand with other pastoralism organisation (ASPIR, Maison du berger)
- Photo exposition
- Shepherd handbook (with ASPIR)
- Cleopatre network (with ASPIR)

Pastoralism Histogram



Others shepherd organization

- FEDERATION
 - ABBASP
 - Association des Bergers du Jura Franco-Suisse et Ami.e
 - Association des bergers du 64
 - Association des bergers du 65
 - Association pour le pastoralisme Limousin
- Not present in the federation :
 - Association des pâtres de hautes montagnes (Ariege)
- Historics association in the Alps :
 - ABI
 - PAN
- Syndicates

Maison du berger

About 20 years of existence

“Museographic space” - under Champoleon / Champsaur communal administration

Lots of ressource around pastoralism and Shepherd profession

Blog Emploi berger // in collaboration with CERPAM and agriculture chamber

ASPIR

Association de Soutien pour un Pastoralisme Inventif et Responsable

Support for a Inventive et Accountable Pastoralism Association

About 10 years of existence

Originally directly in link with maison du berger, more independence nowadays

Support tools : Shepherd Handbook, Cleopatre network, Alpages.info

Service Pastoraux (Pastoral departments?)

Cerpam (04 et 05, 13, 84, 83) / FAI (38) / SEA 73 / SEA 74 / Ademe (26)

AFP (French Pastoral Association)

Organism mainly in links with stock breeders and mountains owners

Different running course dependant of each organization

Mission :

- Pastoral diagnosis
- Technical support for pastoralism (heliport, caban and lodge, water, fundraising)



State organizations

- DDT - Direction Départementale Territoire (under county's jurisdiction + the national predators prefect)
 - Caban and Lodge / road access / predation compensation
- DREAL - Direction régionale de l'environnement de l'aménagement et du logement (under states jurisdiction + predators prefect)
 - Environment administration. Main interlocutors relative to wolf (counting, circle, killing autorizations...)
- GNL - Groupe National Loups (National Wolf Group)
 - Under predator prefect's jurisdiction. Place which are discussed most of the national wolf regulation between states, ecologist organizations and agricultural organizations
- OFB - Office Français de la Biodiversité / National parcs / Natura 2000 areas