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A Web Platform to develop Mountain-oriented Education in the Alps!

Developed in the frame of the Interreg Alpine Space YOUrALPS - Educating Youth for the Alps Project (2016-2019), the web platform hosts two portals with a common database for Alpine stakeholders, resources and news:

- <u>www.ouralps.org</u>, the portal of the OurAlps network *-International network of mountain-oriented education in the Alps-* for professionals
- www.yapp-network.org, the portal for the participation of young people in the Alps

The web platform, proposed by Educ'alpes, ALPARC, CIPRA International and the partners of the YOUrALPS project, is available in English at the moment and a multilingual version (DE, FR, IT, SL) will be available at the end of June 2018.

Ouralps: three major functions

ouralps.org has a mission **to inform and to communicate** by presenting the <u>international network</u> (values, objectives, actions...) and <u>mountain-oriented education</u>. Through one part <u>Alpine News</u>, it is possible to get information about or share events, training... about mountain-oriented education in the Alps.

The portal also contributes to the **network dynamics** by enabling Alpine stakeholders in education and/or mountains to register. Via the <u>directory and cartography</u>, all can introduce themselves, make themselves known, be identified in the Alpine territory, get to know other Alpine stakeholders, connect, set up common projects...

ouralps.org also includes a **teaching and participatory area**. In this <u>area</u>, Alpine stakeholders can consult and share teaching & resource materials "ready-to-use" to enhance their teaching activities. In addition, innovative practices of mountain-oriented education offering a great variety of approaches can be a source of inspiration for future projects. Educational activity sheets will gradually be added to the portal with the possibility of comment and feedback on experiences.

Sharing content, resources, news... is at the heart of the strategic choices of this portal, which we have also designed to be attractive by including many communication visuals.

Share the platform pages, follow us on 📑 and









Ouralps.org is your site! Make yourself known and start sharing in its enhancement now!

- Register as an Alpine stakeholder in education and/or mountains (English only)
- Share the <u>teaching & resource materials</u> (English only for the moment)
- Integrate events or training related to mountain-oriented education in the Alps (English only for the moment)

To enter content on the web platform, you must <u>create an account</u> (it's very simple). In this way, via a private space, you can easily enter, modify or delete your own announcements/sheets. A short practical guide designed to help you use the platform is available <u>HERE</u>, and the <u>team</u> is entirely at your disposal.

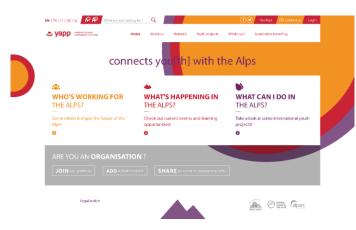
Yapp-network.org

On line since 2016, the "Youth Alpine Participation Platform" platform (YAPP) gives visibility to the participation of young people and to projects for the young. In addition, the platform enables organisations and initiatives to find partners and benefit from synergies. YAPP is thus an instrument which will in the long term promote youth participation in Alpine countries.

In the frame of the YOUrALPS project, the two Yapp and OurAlps platforms have been included on one platform with dual access.

The participatory platform is a first version. We invite you to look through it and to give us feedback on your experience as a user and start contributing now in this collective adventure!

Happy browsing!



Mobility and Accessibility

The platform is adapted for mobile devices. Thus it is possible to consult its pages on different terminals (computer, tablet, mobile).

The platform has also been designed for people having a disability to give widest possible access.



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Reminder - Presentation of OurAlps network

Our Alps, International mountain-oriented education network in the Alps, is a network of professionals dedicated to developing and promoting mountain-oriented education in the Alpine areas.

In this context, stakeholders can exchange ideas and obtain resources and tools to develop joint projects defined by and for themselves - at an international level to raise awareness among different target audiences about the Alps, their cultural and natural heritage and their issues. The international network is also aimed directly at young people to facilitate their involvement in projects and raise their awareness of their environment. To find out +

An International network set up by Educ'alpes, Alparc and CIPRA International and created in 2017 as part of the INTERREG Alpine Space YOUrALPS project with all the project partners.



Consult the network's charter

It is a fundamental structuring document. It defines the general context (The Alps, mountain-oriented education), the network (what it is ,who it is intended for, with what objectives, what values, etc.), how it is organised and its strategic prospects (ongoing). It was updated in December 2017. Not read it yet? You want to consult the latest version? Click HERE.



Take part in the discussion list "network"

To share information live, exchange, put out calls... related to mountain-oriented education, OurAlps makes available to Alpine stakeholders a general list "network-participants@ouralps.org". Do not hesitate to register and share your news and information on this list.

To find out+: click HERE