### EUSALP ANNUAL FORUM 2020

The sustainable and resilient Alpine region is preparing in EUSALP Action Groups

### ACTION GROUP 1 - RESEARCH & INNOVATION Anna Giorgi – AG1 Leader - Lombardy Region, Unimont











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# Action Group 1

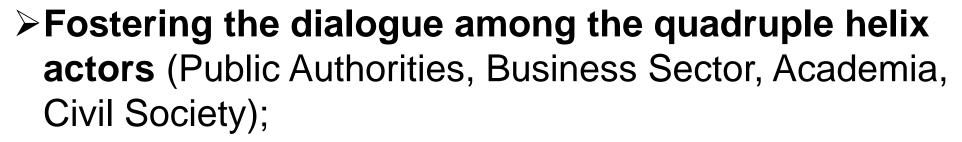
#### To develop an effective research and innovation ecosystem



AG1 aims to increase Alpine Region attractiveness for public and private investment in Research and Innovation activities to promote sustainable economic growth and social prosperity all over the region.



Specifically, the AG1 aims at:





Fast tracking R&I topics of relevance for the next EU Programming period in line with the EU Green Deal (e.g. sustainable development, ecological transition, digitalisation and just transition)



#### 1st THEMATIC POLICY AREA:

**«Economic Growth and Innovation»** 

**REGION:** 

Lombardy

**LEADER:** 

**Anna Giorgi (Lombardy Region)** 

**MEMBERS**:

**20 from 6 EUSALP countries** 

(IT, SI, AT, DE, CH, FR)

**OBSERVERS:** 

EU Commission, ISCAR, JRC, ANCI, Joint Secretariat Interreg Alpine Space, Lake Constance International University

### AG1: 2020 Activities





#### **ARPAF - IMPULS4ACTION**

The AG1 worked in collaboration with AG6 and AG7 on the topic of soil conservation and more specifically on three topics (water management, peatlands and inner development) to create a collection of best practices aimed at sharing knowledge about this vital topic.

The practices are browsable on the project website: impuls4action.eu



#### **Interreg Alpine Space A-RING**

The AG1 through the A-RING project collected information on future S3 priorities from Public Authorities and initiated the discussion with public authorities, the business and academic world on how to promote and foster a closer collaboration on specific challenges the Alpine Region is facing!

Find out more on the project website:

<a href="https://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/a-ring/en/home">https://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/a-ring/en/home</a>



#### **Interreg Alpine Space ALPGOV II**

The 9 Action Groups have defined 5 strategic priority areas in line with the next EU Programming Period on which to focus on for the next two years. The Action Group 1 is contributing to three out of the five defined priorities:

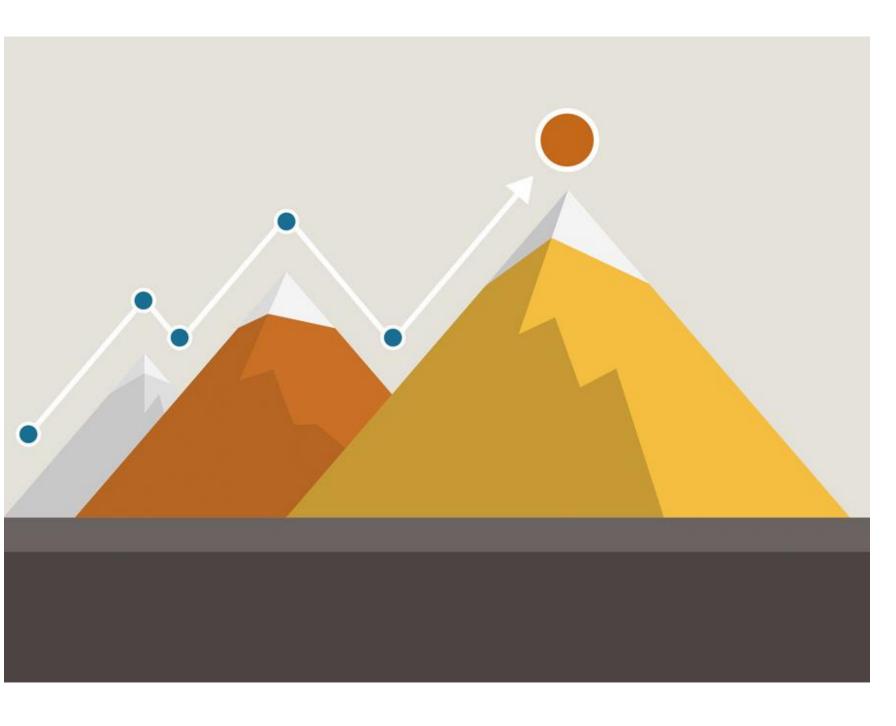
Innovation Hub for Green Business Models (Green and digital industry, Tourism)

Smart Villages (and digitalisation)

EUSALP Innovation Facility

## AG1: 2021 Activities





### In the upcoming year, the AG1 will focus on:

- Establishing a University alliance/network to foster the collaboration and exchange of information on R&I topics for the socioeconomic development of the Alpine Region;
- Organise a series of webinars on R&I topics in the Alpine Region (<u>stay tuned</u>!);
- Promote the collaboration on S3 shared topics across different regions with the Interreg Alpine Space A-RING and ARDIA-Net projects;
- Promote, in collaboration with the AG3, Lifelong Learning initiatives and educational activities in order to create an ecosystem of productive, innovative and environmentally aware companies and a resilient and competitive economic market in line with the EU Green Deal.



## Thank you for your attention!

Please follow the activites on the AG1 EUSALP section and subscribe to our newsletter (EUSALP & UNIMONT)

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