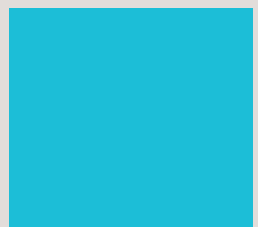
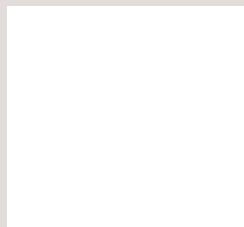
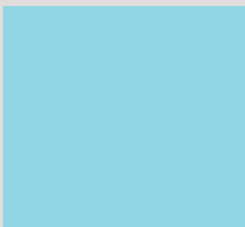


# CAPACities

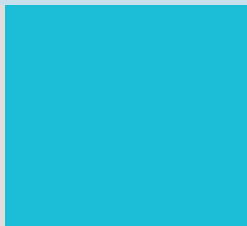
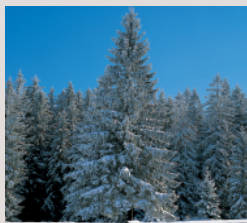


Competitiveness  
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Alpine Space Programme 2007-2013



The Alpine Space (AS) is characterised by a territorial structure composed of medium and small towns, which represent territorial capitals of AS for richness and historical importance but also a weakness because of isolation, depopulation and difficulty in connections and facilities supply.

The most important challenge for the Alpine Space is to find out new perspectives of development for its small villages and towns, with an integrated and transnational approach that allows to share and discuss problems and threats that concern the different regions but also to create articulated strategies to tackle similar problems.

This kind of approach allows to create alliances with towns, the close alpine MEGAs and stronger territories.

The CAPACities project has been approved within the first call of the **INTERREG IVB Alpine Space Programme**, under **Priority I - Competitiveness and Attractiveness**.

The project will create operative strategies and tools to promote innovative urban activities and to strengthen the role of Alpine Space Small Local Urban Centres ("AS SLUCs").

**Project duration**  
from 28/01/2008  
till 31/03/2011

**Total budget**  
€ 2.741.420

**ERDF contribution**  
€ 1.969.478

# OBJECTives

## The project aims to:

1. Fit out "AS SLUCs" (Alpine Space Small Local Urban Centres) to pursue the Lisbon strategy in a territorial perspective, and to promote innovative urban activities and functions.
2. Promote integrated spatial strategies for durable development and enhancement of small towns in a global context (by using tools and resources in an integrated and complementary way).
3. Strengthen relations amongst "AS SLUCs" in order to improve attractiveness and competitiveness also in the light of improved relations with the MEGA Alpine cities.

## In particular we aim to:

- o Promote innovative actions and tools in urban or territorial plans.
- o Promote innovative actions for gender policies (women, youth, aged people) by participation in territorial development.
- o Create integrated strategic Local and Regional Actions and Plans to improve citizens quality of life and competitiveness of Alpine centres.
- o Build up pilot projects to exploit Alpine resources related to cultural, environmental, landscape, tourism and local economy assets.

Shared strategies, integrated in territorial plans at different level (regional and local), help small communities to enhance the efforts to favour the permanence of population, promote opportunities for economic development, create facilities and services, as the ones in bigger towns, by widening the potential users and creating alliances at local level and with strong cities. Activities in pilot areas will be oriented to obtain concrete outputs by involving local communities and administrations. An integrated methodological approach will be adopted to combine and promote dialogue among diverse disciplinary and scientific competences, needed to investigate and carry out new and appropriate tools to face the main project theme (integrated urban policies and actions).

At the same time a range of public administrations with competence at different territorial levels (regional, local) will be involved in the operative activities of the project, above the LP and PPs (regional public administrations) that have fully in charge competences in spatial planning and supporting local development, many other local authorities and entities are involved in implementation of operative tools.

# PARTners



**LR** - Lombardy Region, General Directorate Territory and Urban Planning - Italy

**LI** - DI Herbert LISKE, Chartered Engineering Consultant for Urbanism And Regional Planning - Austria

**AMGI** - Scientific Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Sciences and Arts, Anton Melik Geographical Institute - Slovenia

**NTA** - National Tourist Association - Slovenia

**IUG** - Town Planning Institute of Grenoble - France

**CAUE84** - Adviser in Architecture, Regional Planning and Environment of Vaucluse - France

**LAMORO** - Local Development Agency Langhe Monferrato Roero - Italy

**RAVDA** - Autonomous Region Valle d'Aosta, Department of Territory and Environment - Italy

**RP** - Piedmont Region, Directorate of Strategic Planning, Territorial Policy, Construction Regional Spatial Planning Office - Italy

**GR** - Canton of the Grisons, Grisons Office of Spatial Development - Switzerland

# ACTivities

The objectives will be achieved by realisation of the following activities:

**Project Preparation:** preparatory activities for the management and the functioning of the project, preparation of every documentation functional to the implementation of the different phases and activities planned, definition of rules and procedures in order to ensure the quality of project processes.

**Project Management:** project management and coordination activities, constant monitoring of phases and activities in order to assure the precise correspondence between the objectives stated in the application form and the results achieved progressively by each partner and by the project on the whole.

**Information and Publicity:** development of a communication strategy shared and recognized, creation of CAPACities Project visual identity and brand (realization of a web site, communication products and organization of public events).

**Alpine Towns survey:** development of a shared knowledge among partners on main project issues, analyses to point out Alpine Space Small Local Urban Centres characteristics, survey on best practises of innovative policies and actions.

**Operational tools:** elaboration of operative integrated tools to improve the role of Alpine Space Small Local Urban Centres at local level, creation of databases with data and graphical representations comparable at transnational level.

**Pilot actions:** promotion of innovative actions and tools in urban or territorial plans, integration of strategic Local and Regional actions to improve citizens quality of life, find ways to exploit Alpine resources related to cultural, environmental, landscape and economic assets.

**AS-LUC innovative pack:** development of guidelines to support planners and decision makers to promote integrated approach in territorial plan processes, oriented to enhance local potentials, identification of best practices and the most significant experiences.



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