

International capacity building seminar on open space planning for young professionals

date: 22th – 25th July 2021

venue: *Parkhotel Brunauer* in Salzburg (AT) (www.parkhotelbrunauer.at/en)



Call for applications

As part of the activities of the "AlpPlan" alpine spatial planning network, the Interreg Alpine Space project "OpenSpaceAlps" is organising a capacity building seminar on open space planning. The seminar will bring together young professionals from different alpine countries and regions.

We are looking forward to your application!

What is the seminar about?

Near-natural open spaces are under pressure due to continuous land take for settlements and infrastructures and the resulting landscape fragmentation in many alpine regions. The OpenSpaceAlps projects aims at safeguarding multifunctional open spaces for generations to come by enabling spatial planning stakeholders to better understand, coordinate and jointly develop innovative planning approaches, also from a transnational perspective. In the capacity building seminar we aim to improve the competences of spatial and sectoral planning practitioners and advanced students. The seminar deals with specific skills and tools that help planners to identify relevant open spaces, analyse their functions and provide for legal safeguarding. The seminar contents will be exemplified in concrete pilot cases (short field trips to the project pilot sites in Germany and Austria). Presentations and workshops will be conducted by the OpenSpaceAlps project partners and external experts.

Who can apply for participation?

The seminar is targeted at young professionals from various disciplines: young people (up to 35 years of age) working in spatial or sectoral planning practice (e.g. public planning or conservation administrations; private planning offices) as well as advanced students (e.g. master studies in academic fields such as spatial planning, geography, landscape ecology, landscape architecture, nature conservation etc.)

Which costs will be covered?

We will provide free accommodation (single bed rooms incl. breakfast), meals and transportation during the seminar. Participants only have to pay for their own travel to Salzburg as well as the return journey.

If you are interested in participating in the capacity building seminar, please **fill in the application form** (incl. motivation letter and CV) and **send your application via e-mail** to constantin.meyer@uni-wuerzburg.de **until 21/06/2021 (Monday)**. We will inform you until 24/06/2021, if your application is accepted. The number of participants is limited due to Covid-19 precautions.

You can find the application form on: <https://www.alpine-space.eu/projects/openspacealps/en/pilot-cases-and-participatory-activities/workshops/capacity-building-seminar-for-young-professionals>



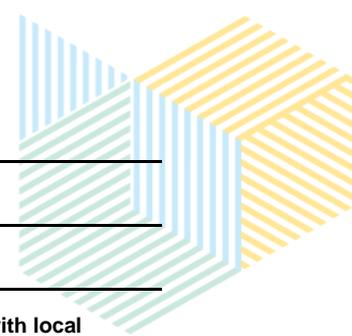
Capacity building seminar agenda

Day 1: Thursday, 22/07/2021	Arrival Day
Till 17:30	Arrival to Salzburg (hotel check-in possible from 15:00)
17:30 – 22:00	Registration, welcome dinner and guided city tour

Day 2: Friday, 23/07/2021	Thematic focus: How can we identify and analyse open spaces and their various qualities?
8:30 – 08:45	Day-Briefing
08:45 – 09:30	Introduction to the OpenSpaceAlps project <i>Philipp Vesely (Salzburg Institute for Regional Planning and Housing, OpenSpaceAlps lead partner)</i>
09:30 – 10:10	Input Session 1 Detecting and safeguarding remote alpine areas – the Vorarlberg White zone inventory <i>Andreas Marlin & Stefan Obkircher (Spatial planning department, Vorarlberg state administration)</i>
10:10 – 10:30	Input Session 2 Creating an alps-wide map of open spaces – The OpenSpaceAlps mapping approach <i>Oriana Coronado (ALPARC – The Alpine Network of Protected Areas)</i>
10:30 – 12:00	Interactive Workshop Assessing open space qualities – Which criteria and indicators can we use in spatial and landscape planning?
12:00 – 12:30	Introduction to pilot sites
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 18:00	Field trip to pilot site (Tennengau, AT) incl. meetings and discussions with local experts

Day 3: Saturday, 24/07/2021	Thematic focus: How can we incorporate open spaces in planning procedures? Which instruments are available and effective?
8:30 – 08:45	Day-Briefing
8:45 – 09:30	Input Session 1 Safeguarding multifunctional open spaces – examples from the Austrian Alps <i>Dr. Arthur Schindelegger (Technical University Vienna, Research Area Land Policy and Land Management)</i>
09:30 – 10:00	Input Session 2 Strengthening the role of open spaces in (regional) planning procedures – insights from the OpenSpaceAlps pilot regions <i>Peter Laner (Eurac Research, Institute for Regional Development) & Constantin Meyer (University of Wuerzburg, Chair of Geography and Regional Science)</i>





10:00 – 12:00	Interactive Workshop From Alpine Convention Protocols to regional and local implementation – Which opportunities and limitations to planning are associated with legal frameworks?
12:00 – 12:30	Introduction to pilot sites
12:30 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 18:00	Field trip to pilot site (Berchtesgadener Land, DE) incl. meetings and discussions with local experts

Day 4: Sunday, 25/072021	Summary and feedback from participants
09:00 – 10:00	Feedback workshop How will the participants use the competences in their home regions?
10:00 – 11:00	Final Wrap-up/ feedback/ farewell
11:00	<i>Departure (hotel check-out until 12:00)</i>

Special conditions regarding Covid-19

We will provide an adequate Covid-19 safety and hygiene concept for the seminar, which includes e.g. accommodation in single bedrooms and a large seminar room with appropriate distances between the seminar participants. If your application is accepted, we will inform you about the specific requirements (e.g. obligation to feature a negative Covid-19 test not older than 48 hours when arriving at Salzburg). If the circumstances do not allow us to conduct the seminar on the spot in Salzburg, it will be held entirely online (participants will be informed early in advance).



The project team is looking forward to your participation!

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