



Workshop 2/3:

Changing climate – changing landscape

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Concept:

Especially as a consequence of recent floods and extreme summer temperatures, climate change has become a major issue in the political, scientific and public debate in Alpine areas. Meanwhile, the focus of interest is no longer limited to the extent of temperature rise and precipitation changes, but also on ecological and economic consequences. The workshop deals particularly with the impact of climate change on landscape and land use in the Alps; it addresses the following questions:

1. In what way does climate change affect landscape and what impacts are expected within the next decades?
2. What are current reaction/adaptation strategies among policy-makers and in the private sector? are they capable of coping with future challenges?
3. What efforts are required to conserve Alpine landscapes as a basis for life, work and recreation?

Input:

- **Sergeja Praper** (SI- Ljubljana): Climate change impacts on settlements
- **Ulrike Pröbstl** (A-Vienna): Climate change impacts on winter tourism and consequences for landscape development.
- **Wilfried Haerberli** (CH- Zürich): Climate-driven landscape and geosystem changes in high mountain-regions – an integrated case study in the eastern Swiss Alps