

**ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE
ALPINE CLIMATE BOARD
FOR THE PERIOD 2021-2022
(BETWEEN THE XVI AND XVII MEETINGS OF THE ALPINE
CONFERENCE)**

1. Overview of the mandate given by the XVI Alpine Conference

Summary of the objectives according to the 2021-2022 mandate or work programme

The work programme of the ACB was adopted by the Alpine Conference in December 2020 and comprised the following tasks:

- implementation of the Alpine Climate Target System 2050 and the Climate Action Plan 2.0
- update of the stocktaking report of February 2019
- continued exchange on new developments, emerging trends at transnational and global level and subsequent proposals for adjustments to the implementation activities if necessary
- continued cooperation with the Contracting Parties, Observers, Thematic Working Bodies as well as with relevant international organisations, other mountain regions and further partners

2. Meetings

Summary of the meetings held (date, place, main topics and milestones)

- 10th meeting: 26 January 2021, online: definition of the role of the ACB and the caretakers in the process of implementation of the pathways of the Climate Action Plan 2.0; discussion on communication activities
- 11th meeting: 18 May 2021, online: reflection on a monitoring approach for the progress on the implementation of the pathways; presentation of the results of a communication questionnaire and discussion of next steps; initiation of the stocktaking process

- 12th meeting: 22 September 2021, online: continued implementation of the pathways; discussion around the issue of climate neutral and climate resilient lifestyles in the Alps; report on the update of the ACB website; presentation of interim results of the stocktaking report
- 13th meeting: 26 January 2022, online: planning of input to the Alpine Conference; information on the progress on the implementation of the pathways; presentation of a draft booklet on climate neutral and climate resilient lifestyles; discussion of the content of the ACB Mandate 2023-2024
- 14th meeting: 4 May 2022, online: adoption of the draft ACB Mandate 2023-2024 as well as the climate neutral and resilient lifestyles brochure; adoption of the progress reports on the implementation of the pathways and the stocktaking report
- 15th meeting: 21./22. September 2022, Innsbruck: information on the progress on the implementation of the pathways; workshop on the implementation of the ACB mandate 2023 – 2024; follow up and next steps on the climate-neutral and climate-resilient lifestyles brochure

3. Activities carried out

Synthetic description of further activities carried out (including outreach and communication activities)

- *Webinar on [“Financial options for the implementation of climate activities in the Alps”](#), 26 January 2021. The webinar provided an overview of funding opportunities in the EU, innovative formats for financing climate action and cornerstones of the Alpine Space Programme – 75 participants.*
- *Webinar on [“Youth involvement in the implementation of climate activities in the Alps”](#), 19 May 2021. The webinar addressed the role of young people in climate activities in the Alps, their experiences as well as the key elements for a successful involvement – 38 participants.*
- *Webinar on [“Climate neutral and climate resilient lifestyles in the Alps – How can the ACB contribute?”](#), 25 November 2021. The webinar brought together a variety of stakeholders addressing the alpine-specific aspects of climate-neutral and climate-resilient lifestyles, identified good practices and starting points – 52 participants.*
- *Webinar on [“How will climate change unfold in the Alps? New insights of the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report”](#), 20 July 2022. Presentations highlighted new and detailed insights on how climate change will unfold in the Alps, followed by*

discussions on how the new scientific evidence provides an opportunity for the ACB to reflect on the need for action – 50 participants.

- “*Caretaker of the month*”: Presentation of people and institutions who bring together relevant communities taking care of the implementation of the pathways of the Climate Target system through a series of articles on the websites of the Alpine Climate Board www.alpineclimate2050.org and of the Alpine Convention <https://www.alpconv.org/en/home/news-publications/news/>.
- Presentation of the ongoing work of the ACB at the following events:
 - Interactive sessions in different meetings of TWBs of the AC, physical and virtual
 - UNEP side event at COP 26, 9 November 2021, Glasgow and online, UK
 - EUSALP conference “City-mountain cooperation: together towards carbon neutrality”, 7 October 2021 (PSAC)
 - ICIMOD webinar on 17 May 2022
 - EUSALP AG 6 Landscape Conference on 23-24 May 2022, Bolzano/Bozen, IT
- Activities carried out by the communities’ caretakers (see Progress report).

4. Outputs and results

Description of the main outputs and results achieved

- *Booklet “Closing the gap on climate action – Building new rope teams to support climate-neutral & resilient living in the Alps”*: The booklet, built around a collection of exemplary initiatives, aims to provide inspiration for a variety of stakeholders/multipliers on climate action, to ensure that activities reach out to citizens and support climate-neutral & resilient living in the Alps.
- *Stocktaking Update 2021-2022 – An information source for further developing the activities of the Alpine Climate Board*: This report provides an overview of ongoing climate change mitigation and adaptation activities at transnational but also national level to build synergies and to ensure that activities at the level of the Alpine Convention create an added value to already ongoing initiatives.
- “*Caretaker of the Month*” articles series on the websites of the Alpine Climate Board: www.alpineclimate2050.org and the Alpine Convention <https://www.alpconv.org/en/home/news-publications/news/>.
- Reaching out to a total of 165 participants in the three webinars
- Progress report on the implementation of the sectoral pathways of the Climate Target system

- Translation of the Climate Action Plan 2.0 in the four Alpine languages and realisation of overview graphics in five languages (in cooperation with the Permanent Secretariat)

5. Cooperation

Description of cooperation developed with other Alpine Convention bodies and further relevant partners and processes, and of the resulting benefits

- Regular exchanges with Working Groups and the Alpine Biodiversity Board of the Alpine Convention in the process of the implementation of the pathways
- Support from observer organisations and a broader network of Alpine stakeholders in the process of the implementation of the pathways
- Exchange with UNEP and the Carpathian Convention – especially with the Working Group on Adaptation to Climate Change

6. Attachments

List of the documents attached to this report, such as papers proposed for approval by the XVII Alpine Conference (thematic reports, guidelines, statements etc.) and supporting documents (workshop proceedings, survey reports, communication materials etc.).

- Booklet "*Closing the gap on climate action – Building new rope teams to support climate-neutral & resilient living in the Alps*" (EN, DE, IT, FR, SL)
- *Stocktaking Update 2021-2022* (synthesis and factsheets)
- *Implementation of the Alpine Climate Target System 2050 – Progress report January 2021 – May 2022*