

Alpine regions/Italy, France, Austria, Slovenia LIFE WolfAlps EU











During the last 30 years, a natural return of wolves has been recorded at local, national and international levels over several mountain ranges in the Alps and, more recently, in both hilly and plain areas. Accepting the natural return of wolves in human-dominated landscapes is a major challenge, especially in places where memories and experience of coexistence have been lost. At the end of the first LIFE WolfAlps project (2013–2018), the European Commission approved and financed a new project that, for the first time, works on a European and pan-Alpine scale for the **improvement of wolf-human coexistence** through a participatory approach, in order to guarantee the long-term conservation of the transboundary wolf population.

The LIFE WolfAlps EU (2019–2024) project mobilizes institutions and organizations across the Alps that work to monitor the wolf Alpine population, to prevent wolf damages on livestock farming, to find, disseminate and communicate the **best** strategies for coexisting with the species using accurate information based on scientific data, to fight poaching and to control wolf-dog hybridization.

The Project Partnership is structured in order to comprise **20 public Institutions and** Authorities of each country with alpine territory, involved in the population-level management and conservation of wolves in the Alps. **Over 100 private and public** bodies are project supporters.

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Wolf Prevention Intervention Units–WPIUs is the tool created to assist breeders effectively in case of livestock depredations, to evaluate the prevention strategy adopted and to immediately propose better ad hoc solutions to avoid future depredation events (Photo: Archive PNM)



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