

THE AIM PROJECT

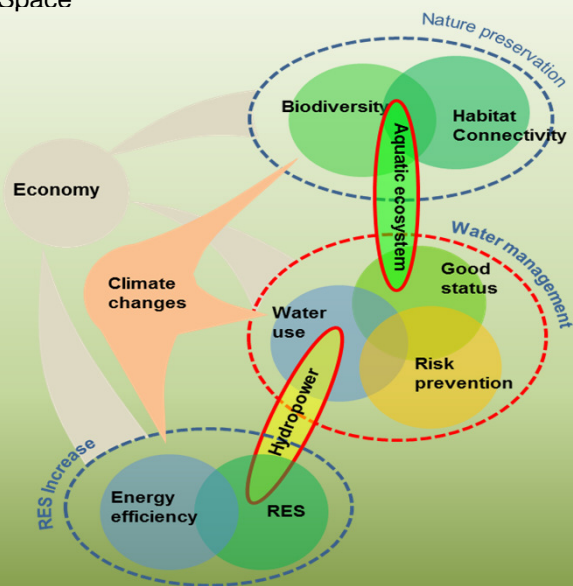
The project **Alpine space In Movement (AIM)** aims at becoming a “megaphone” of the Alpine Space Programme (ASP) projects active in the field of water & renewable energy.

AIM will **capitalise the achievements of several ASP projects** (2007-2013) dedicated to **water resources management, renewable energy production and the preservation of (aquatic) ecosystems** (i.e. SHARE, Alp-Water-Scarce, SedAlp, SEAPAlps, ECONNECT, recharge.green).

The importance of these issues is highlighted by the EU Directive on Renewable energy sources (RES-E Directive), the EU Water Framework Directive (WFD) as well as the EU Habitats Directive.

Strong emphasis of AIM is given to dissemination actions e.g. seminars involving key stakeholders, web communication, publications, etc. to address the relevant actors at EU, national and regional policy level.

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Panel discussion with key stakeholders in Slovenia

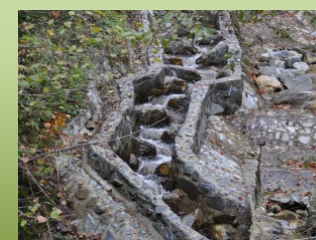
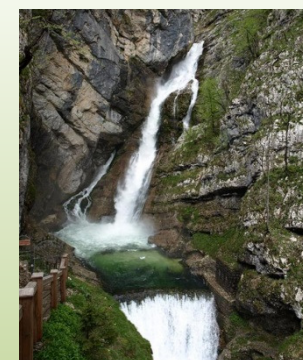
targeted to water & energy capitalization

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Gospodarsko razstavišče

Urška hall

Dunjaska 18, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia



PARTICIPATED STAKEHOLDERS

At the discussion, beside the project members, 33 participants had participated. Representatives of competent relevant ministries and institutes, hydropower companies, NGOs, partners involved in selected Alpine Space projects:

Ministry of Agriculture and the Environment – Nature Preservation, Water Management, EIA sectors; Agency for the Environment of the RS; The Institute of the RS for Nature Conservation; Fisheries Research Institute of Slovenia; Ministry of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning of the RS – Energy and Spatial Planning Sectors, Hydropower companies - Holding Slovenske Elektrarne d.o.o., Soške elektrarne Nova Gorica d.o.o., Hidroelektrarne na Spodnji Savi d.o.o., Dravske elektrarne Maribor d.o.o., Savske elektrarne Ljubljana d.o.o., HSE Invest d.o.o.; Soča Valley Development Centre, Association of Municipalities and towns of Slovenia, WWF, Triglav National Park, Hidrotehnik d.d., National Institute for Biology, CIPRA, also other experts from the Institute for Water of the RS.



Interactive panel discussion was based on the method WORLD CAFÉ with 4 thematic groups:

- *Preservation and restoration of water ecosystems,*
- *Sustainable hydropower water use,*
- *Support to decision making processes,*
- *Active stakeholder involvement.*

Each thematic group conducted four stages:

- *Needs*
- *Measures*
- *Key priorities and strategic orientation for the period 2014+*
- *Summary*



The approach of the stakeholders panel discussion was based on thematic groups and stages of the brainstorming seminar organized within the AIM project in December 2013 in Vienna, Austria (being interpreted as a stakeholder panel discussion in Austria). The content and the structure of the stakeholder panel discussion in Slovenia was upgraded according to the analysis of the results and conclusions. Such upgraded approach provided an efficient comparison of the results on Alpine Space programme and international level. The discussion was organized in Slovene language, what ensured exact and relevant information and knowledge exchange.

Participants gave their knowledge, experiences and solutions which should be implemented to improve comprehensive planning and cooperation among institutions in the field of water management and energy. These results were also upgraded by additional interviews with colleagues at IzVRS. Summarization of all activities with stakeholders, following key priorities and directions has been recognized:

- **Elaboration of expert studies to support harmonization of national sectorial strategic documents,**
- **Information, education and involvement of stakeholders in all planning phases,**
- **Comprehensive and systematic data collection,**
- **Development and promotion of new technological solutions,**
- **Multipurpose principle and prioritization**
- **Strict implementation of adopted obligations,**
- **Other issues**



Detailed summary report was sent to all invited stakeholders (participating and not participating).