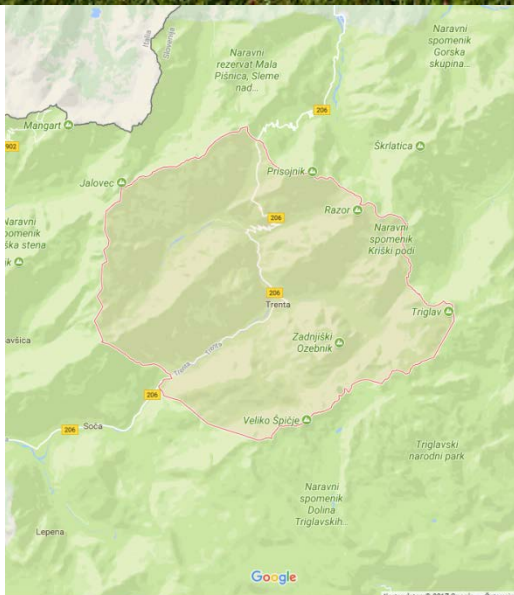




ALPBIONET2030

Integrative Alpine wildlife and habitat management for the next generation



Workshop on standardisation of wildlife forensic methods, Venzone, Italy

12 October 2017, Hotel Carnia, Carnia, Venzone

1. Background

Ecological connectivity and ecological networks are potentially linked to the illegal persecution of wildlife. On the one hand, increased connectivity may inadvertently increase the possibility for human-wildlife conflicts and as a consequence may lead to an increase in illegal killings. On the other hand, poaching and other incidences of illegal persecution of wildlife (e.g. poisoning, trapping) may hamper the effectiveness of ecological networks in enabling wildlife to move through habitat areas.

Wildlife administrations, and in particular, authorities charged with investigating wildlife crimes, rely on various scientific methods for assessing cases of illegal wildlife killing. To assist with transboundary collaboration in fighting wildlife crime, it is helpful for all relevant authorities to be able to follow established protocols.

2. Location

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3. Purpose

To further the goals of ecological connectivity, ALPBIONET2030 aims to enhance the capacity of local wildlife crime teams by presenting and discussing state-of-the-art methods and procedures. Under the leadership of a forensics team from the Research Institute of Wildlife Ecology, University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna, the workshop will discuss the situation in the Alpine regions of Slovenia and Italy (Triglav National Park and Prealpi Giulie National Park) and provide opportunities for exchange of experiences and support from within and outside the region.

Target Stakeholders: Police crime units/-authorities, Park authorities/-rangers, hunters, other interested stakeholders

4. Agenda (DRAFT)

9:00-9:15	Introduction (Dr. Chris Walzer-FIWI)
09:15-10:30	Basics of Wildlife Forensic Sciences (Dr. Christoph Beiglböck-FIWI, Dr. Steve Smith-FIWI)

10:30-10:45	Coffee Break
10:45-12:30	Applied Wildlife Forensic Sciences & discussion with stakeholders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case Studies • Existing Projects, • Legal Framework <p>(Dr. Christoph Beiglböck, Dr. Steve Smith, Dr.Felix Knauer)</p>
12:30-13:30	Lunch break
13:30-14:30	Discussion with stakeholders Part II SOP Handbook on Wildlife Forensics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aims • Needs • Content <p>(Moderators: Chris Walzer, Christoph Beiglböck)</p>