

Are you passionate about the Alps and their nature? Have you studied a discipline in the area of communication, international relations, geography or equivalent? Are you fluent in languages spoken in the Alps?

ALPARC is the Network of all protected areas within the Alpine Convention area, from France to Slovenia.

Its members take part to the actions referring to their needs and interests. Actually, all in all more than 1000 large alpine protected areas are listed. They cover about 28% of the Alpine space (Alpine Convention area), a part of them with their own administration. About half of these institutions are yet member of the ALPARC association.

This network, that celebrates this year its 30th anniversary, was created in the aim to realise common projects, to initiate exchanges of technics, to evaluate the efficiency of management methods and to organise meetings and professional events about different topics in the spectrum from fauna monitoring to climate change.

The aim of the ALPARC association is to promote the exchange of expertise, techniques and methods among the managers of Alpine protected areas. The association initializes and facilitates realizing common projects among the Alpine protected areas and performs their international coordination conforming to the Alpine Convention.

The coordination unit manages the implementation of joint European projects involving protected areas, organises conferences, symposiums, workshops, and meetings and produces publications and other communication products and tools. It carries out communication activities throughout the Alpine protected areas and is heavily involved in environment education projects.

Every year it also arranges the meetings of the ALPARC Board, Council and General Assembly. For this, it has a permanent team of multilingual people which is also responsible for contractual particular projects.

The headquarter of ALPARC is in Chambéry (Savoy / F).

Offer for an Internship at ALPARC

for its office in Chambéry (France)



ALPARC carries out its actions under **three main topics**: *Biodiversity and Ecological Connectivity, Regional Development and Quality of Life, and Education for Sustainable Development in the Alps.* These three topics allow ALPARC to take a regional approach to global issues such as climate change, nature conservation and sustainable development. Moreover, ALPARC aims to raise awareness among the public and in particular, Alpine youth on environmental challenges.

ALPARC proposes a **6-month internship** in project assistance at the Chambéry office (France). The proposed internship will notably be devoted to <u>contributing to the management of ongoing projects within one of the three principal areas of work</u> and linked administration tasks.

The intern will work closely with the directory and project coordinators in:

(The following list is neither exhaustive nor in order of priority)

- 1. Support in the organisation of ALPARC events and workshops These tasks include the preparation and organisation of workshops and events for Alpine protected Areas and other connected stakeholders.
- 2. Support projects within one of the three main topics of ALPARC*

These tasks include the assistance to the realisation of different content related activities including EU projects on the topics of biodiversity, regional development, and environmental education.* *Please indicate in your application in which of the three main topics you would like to work on.*

3. Communication activities

Participation in the actualisation of the ALPARC website and further communication activities.

4. Support within other working fields of ALPARC



Duration: 6 months
Expected Start date: as of now
Location: Chambéry, France
Conditions: Internship with financial compensation according to the legal French regulations month) within a 35 h working week.

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- Enrolled in Master programme geography, sociology, political sciences, international relations, communication or equivalent.
- Strong proficiency in English and in at least one Alpine language: Italian, Slovenian, German, and/or French.
- Good IT skills (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, database)
- Furthermore, you
 - are dynamic, proactive and able to work both in team and independently.
 - seek a concrete and rewarding work experience in a multicultural and international setting to complement your studies.
 - have a strong interest in nature conservation and international cooperation.

ALPARC internships are only open to candidates registered in a university/school/institute. Please note that this is a compulsory condition.

This internship primarily aims at providing immersion in the professional world of international cooperation and protection of the nature of the Alps, as well as learning to work in a multi-lingual team, planning and undertaking tasks.



Please submit your application in English or in French in the EUROPASS Format:

- CV
- Cover letter of no more than one page,
- copies of diplomas or proof of professional experience if relevant.

by e-mail only with the Subject line: "Internship 2025"

before: **31**st of May 2025 / 2 PM

to ALPARC at the following address: info@alparc.org

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