



May 28-30, 2026
Aosta - Italy



call for contributions

ForumAlpinum is a scientific conference organised by ISCAR to promote international research cooperation on relevant and important topics of relevance across the entire Alpine Arc. ForumAlpinum is designed as an interface between the scientific community and policy, providing opportunities for science-policy dialogue.

ForumAlpinum 2026

Alpine communities and territories in a time of glacier loss and climate change - The ForumAlpinum will focus on the consequences of glacier retreat in Alpine regions (and beyond), with particular attention to environmental, cultural and economic impacts. The progressive retreat of glaciers, accelerated by climate change, is profoundly modifying the landscape, water resources, biodiversity and traditional activities of mountain communities. In some cases, this even includes the territorial structure created by humans over time through the construction of roads, settlements and pastures. ForumAlpinum 2026 aims to identify emerging challenges, land-use conflicts and the impact of climate change, as well as new forms of resilience, regional development, territorial planning and social innovation. These are intended to address the aforementioned challenges and preserve the identity and sustainability of these territories for future generations. This ForumAlpinum will take a closer look and will discuss different perspectives that go beyond the current situation.

You are cordially invited to join the ForumAlpinum 2026 from **28th to 30th of May** in **Aosta Valley, Italy**. More and updated information are provided on the ForumAlpinum website: <https://forumalpinum.org>

Call for contributions

We are happy to invite you to submit your proposal of scientific presentation for the ForumAlpinum 2026, addressing the main conference theme, one or several of the topics listed below or any other climate change and cryosphere decline impacts and/or solutions in the Alps related topic. The call is open to all academics, sectoral operators, politics and public administrators. We very welcome contributions by young academics (under 35 years). Main topics & keywords:

- (a) governance of Alpine territorial systems following glacier loss
adaptation & mitigation, governance of resources, governance of public systems, governance of adaptation and transition processes, cascade effects, etc.
- (b) the impacts of cryosphere decline on environmental and cultural systems
natural resources, biodiversity, landscape, tourism, community identity, etc.
- (c) the consequences on territorial and urban systems
planning, depopulation, architecture, mobility, lowlands, cascade effects, etc.
- (d) the challenges posed to the economy and society
community resilience, conflicts management, adaptation & mitigation, quality of life, youths, education, research, etc.

How to apply & deadlines

In order to participate, candidates are invited to submit a maximum of two (2) contribution proposals for evaluation by the Scientific Committee. Each proposal must be in English and include a title of max. 120 characters (including spaces) an abstract of max. 2,500 characters (including spaces) with a brief description of the theme and content, the selection of the main topic, up to 5 keywords, and the name(s) of the author(s) with affiliation and contact info.

To submit a proposal, please fully complete the online form <https://eu.research.net/r/forumalpinum-2026-contributions> till 27th February 2026. **Extended deadline: 13 March 2026**

Publishing your scientific achievements

ISCAR is encouraging you to prepare scientific papers for one of the existing scientific journals on Alpine Research, e.g. the [Journal of Alpine Research](#), [Journal on Protected Mountain Areas Research and Management](#) (eco.mont), etc.

Important deadlines related to ForumAlpinum

- February 27, 2026: submission of abstracts **Extended deadline: 13 March 2026**
- March 23, 2026: note of acceptance by ForumAlpinum Scientific Committee
- March 30, 2026: draft programme of ForumAlpinum
- March 30, 2026: Registrations Opening
- April 2026: final conference programme

For more and updated information please refer to <https://forumalpinum.org>

Contacts

If you need assistance, please write to iscar@scnat.ch

We are looking forward to receiving your abstract and hope to see you in Aosta!

About ISCAR

ISCAR is the International Scientific Committee on Research in the Alps (est. in 1999), consisting of representatives from the countries of Alpine Arc. ISCAR supports cooperation in the entire Alpine space, amongst all disciplines and exchange of scientific achievements in public and practice. Together with partners, ISCAR is responsible for the organization of international event – ForumAlpinum. ISCAR indicates and investigates issues related to Alps and cooperates with international mountain research around the world.

Previous ForumAlpinum: <https://iscar-alpineresearch.org/alpweek-forumalpinum/>