

"World Heritage Volunteers - "Património Voluntário Action 2011"



WHV – Vanoise, FRANCE
24 August - 7 September 2011

Vanoise National Park, France France's Tentative List 2000 Mixed site

The Vanoise National Park is located in the Tarentaise Valley in the French Alps. Created in 1963 after actions by environmentalists against a tourism project threatening local fauna and flora, it was the first French national park. It shares 14 km of common border with the Gran Paradiso National Park in Italy and forms 1250 km² of protected area representing the largest one in Europe.



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Project objectives: Different activities are expected to ensure a better visibility of the Vanoise Park and to increase awareness-raising about environmental and cultural heritage issues.

Project activities: The volunteers will work on the renovation of the path 'Route du Sel et du Beaufort' by rebuilding a wall with dry stones and barriers to prevent erosion. They will also join and organize workshops and visits about history and wildlife focusing on their heritage dimension on the one hand, and a press conference to develop eco-tourism in the park region on the other hand.

Partners: Regional and local governmental institutions as well as the Vanoise Park authority will provide accommodation, logistics and financial support.

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