



**19 August – 2 September 2011**

**WHV – Vanoise**

**WH Tentative List – National Park of Vanoise, Chambéry, France**

Volunteers participated in the reconstruction of the damaged paths under the supervision of park technical guards. Before actual reconstruction volunteers learned building techniques. After, they renovated 100 meters of the hiking way, rebuilt a wall with dry stones and barriers in order to restrain erosion.

During the work camp several informative workshops were organised on environmental and cultural heritage topics. Local residents visited and collaborate with volunteers several times. In fact, 10 local people were actively involved in the activities. All the volunteers, as well as the local community, were very motivated during the project. The evaluation forms filled during and after the work camp showed positive results for as the expectations were meet with concrete activities.



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During the “Open Doors Day” volunteers presented their projects to local community, local press and 2 members of the City Hall.

Focusing on heritage and environment, volunteers showed the activities organized during the workcamp, increased visibility of the park and informed people and hikers the need to be more conscious about this wonderful mountain environment. Around 20 people came from the village, which could be considered a good percentage considering that most of the villagers were busy due to the touristic flow in August. Feedbacks were positive and a lot of participants visited the working site after the event. Residents shared their satisfaction and they were very grateful of the work made by volunteers.

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**[World Heritage Volunteers – "Patrimonto Voluntary Action 2011"](#)**

Sources: for the description of the World Heritage site: UNESCO World Heritage List, <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list>  
For the description of the activities: [www.whvolunteers.org](http://www.whvolunteers.org) and [www.ccivs.org](http://www.ccivs.org)