

Invitation to our Strategy Workshop

Municipal Network in Transition: Our Role in Shaping the Alps of Tomorrow

Milan, 17 - 18 September 2026

The challenges facing Alpine communities are changing rapidly – and with them, the role of our network. Under the guiding principle ‘Municipal Network in Transition: Our Role for the Alps of Tomorrow’, we would like to shape the future of Alliance in the Alps together with our members.

“The best way to predict the future is to shape it together.”

Through an open strategic process, we aim to reflect on our journey so far, further develop the added value of our network and find answers to key questions: What role should Alliance in the Alps play in the future? How can we strengthen the voice of communities within the Alpine Convention and EUSALP? And what services will our members need in the future?

The workshop marks the start of an ongoing strategic process and lays the foundations for the next joint steps our network will take.

Date	17 - 18 September 2026
Venue	CASCINA NASCOSTA, Viale Emilio Alemagna, 14, 20121 Milan
Languages	Simultaneous interpretation in German, French, Italian and Slovenian.
Registration	You can register via this link .
Getting there	Milan, the hotels and the venue are easily accessible by public transport. The following stops are close to the venue: Bus 85 / Tram 1+10: Via Pagano, Via Canova (3-minute walk) Bus 85 / 2001 / 3001: Triennale (4-minute walk)
Accommodation	We would ask you to arrange your own accommodation, but we'll be happy to help if needed.
The evening before	A group dinner is planned for 16 September, but the restaurant has not yet been finalised. We will let you know the time and meeting point shortly.

Thursday, 17 September 2026

Moderator: Wolfgang Pfefferkorn, ROSINAK & PARTNER

09:30	Arrival with coffee and refreshments
10:00	Welcome & Introduction Marc Nitschke, President Alliance in the Alps Wolfgang Pfefferkorn, ROSINAK & PARTNER Participants' expectations of the workshop
10:35	A look back at 30 years of the Alliance in the Alps Katharina Gasteiger, Director of Alliance in the Alps
11:15	SWOT Analysis & Areas for Action Group work on different perspectives
12:00	Areas for Change Combining strengths + opportunities / weaknesses + risks
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Reflection on the morning's session What concerns me most when it comes to AidA's future? What new initiatives should we launch? What should we discontinue?
14:50	Network and organisational development Input Wolfgang Pfefferkorn
15:15	The future of Alliance in the Alps Discussion of possible future scenarios
16:45	End of Day 1
17:00	Free Time – our suggestion: A group walk to the Castello Sforzesco and a tour of Milan's 'castle' https://www2.comune.milano.it/web/castello-sforzesco/cosa-vedere/cortili-un-museo-a-cielo-aperto
19:00	Joint aperitivo and dinner at Cascina Nascosta
21:30	OPTIONAL: Concert in the venue's garden

Friday, 18 September 2026

08:30	<i>Arrival with coffee and refreshments</i>
09:00	Summary and Reflection on Day 1
09:10	Discussion of future options <i>Joint discussion and evaluation of the different options</i>
10:10	Wrap-Up, Outlook <i>Next steps and specific tasks for the Executive Board</i>
10:40	Closing strategy workshop in plenary
11:00	Short break
11:20	General Assembly
12:00	Lunch and individual journey home