



## WHICH FUTURE FOR PASTORALISM IN EUROPE ? THE COHABITATION WITH LARGE CARNIVORES AND THE ATTRACTIVITY OF THE PASTORAL JOBS IN QUESTION

Discussion workshop for the Euromontana's members  
7<sup>th</sup> March 2018 – Moûtiers (France)

Pastoralism is a traditional activity of extensive animal breeding, practiced in particular in the mountain regions. This form of breeding allows the development of territories with low agronomic value (difficult to access or not mechanisable), and thus to maintain an economic activity in these zones. Pastoralism also has the advantage of maintaining open landscapes, thus playing a role in the development of tourism and biodiversity, as well as the prevention of natural disasters. However, the continuation of pastoral activity is threatened by various difficulties: difficulties related to the economic context, difficulties in finding sufficient land to maintain the herds, difficulties in effectively and consistently organising the pastureland of the herds in the context of the seasonal use of the land with strong environmental issues and the pressure exerted by other users of the pastureland.

Among the numerous challenges pastoralism has to face in the European mountains, this discussion workshop will talk about two of them, namely **the cohabitation with large carnivores and how to maintain the attractiveness in pastoral jobs**.

This discussion workshop follows on from several demands of members to give a more important place to this theme in our future activities. If just half a day will not be enough to enter into all the details of these complex issues, nevertheless, we hope it will allow to exchange and discuss peacefully with all our members and to define **the approach and the action plan Euromontana should implement in the coming months**.

9.00 – 9.30

*Welcome by Fabrice Pannekoucke*

9.30 – 9.40

**Introduction: The pastoralism nowadays in Europe: which challenges? Which supports? Which position for Euromontana?** Juanan Gutierrez, President of Euromontana and Marie Clotteau, Director of Euromontana

9.40 – 10.10

**Challenges and public supports: the example of pastoralism in the Alps** – Anne Castex, Director of SUACI Alps

10.10 -12.00

**Pastoralism and large carnivores: which cohabitation?**

- First feedback about Euromontana's survey, Lauren Mosdale, Project Officer at Euromontana
- Assessment of the protection measures: Laurent Garde from CERPAM (Centre of Studies and Pastoral Realizations Alpes-the Mediterranean)
- Discussion and exchanges of experience

12.00 – 13.00

**Generational renewal: how to make pastoral jobs more attractive?**

- Better training of shepherds: Daniel Mettler, responsible for herd protection within the Swiss Association for Agricultural and Rural Development (AGRIDEA)
- Discussion and exchanges of experience

13.00 – 13.30

**Conclusions: And now? Which actions to plan for Euromontana? Which support coming from the members?** Juanan Gutierrez, President of Euromontana and Marie Clotteau, Director of Euromontana