

Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, 18 years of European cooperation with Euromontana

Euromontana is a European network that works to improve living conditions for residents of mountain area in Europe:

- Active for more than 20 years (founded in March 1996)
- With 70 members in 17 countries (France, Switzerland, Scotland, Norway, Spain, Italy, Romania, Portugal, etc.)

The Region's participation in the Euromontana network

Every two years, Euromontana organises the European Mountain Convention with one of the organisation's active members.

The Auvergne Rhône-Alpes Region co-organised the 8th European Mountain Convention in Chambéry in 2012, on the topics of "Creating a future for young people in mountain areas".

The Region participated in discussions on mountain products in Bilbao in 2014, and on climate change in Braganza, Portugal in 2016. The Region will take part in the 2018 edition in Vatra Dornel (Romania) to contribute to discussions on cultural heritage.

As part of the European Charter for Mountain Quality Food Products (adoption of EU legislation on the optional quality term for mountain products in 2012), the Region has been participating in the working group on this topic.

The Region also contributed to discussions on "The future cohesion policy in mountain areas" and "Mountain food products" in Brussels in 2017.

Since 2016, Fabrice Pannecoucke has represented the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region on Euromontana's Board of Directors.

