

REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND SPATIAL PLANNING





Conference Invitation Schools for climate action in the Alps 28-29 September 2023, Bohini (Slovenia)

ALPENKONYENTON ALPENKONYENTON CONVENTION ALPENC CONVENTIONE DELLE ALP

Dear Alpine educators, teachers, stakeholders, and colleagues,

You are warmly invited to the international conference "Schools for climate action in the Alps" organised by the Slovenian Presidency of the Alpine Convention.

The conference will take place from 28 to 29 September 2023 in Bohinj, Slovenia. The focus is on school education in the fields of climate change mitigation and adaptation for youth aged five to nineteen. Emphasis is placed on formal and informal, indoor and outdoor formats, and the inputs will consider the specificity of the Alps.

An informal get-together will take place on 27 September at the Triglav National Park information centre upon participants' arrival. The conference will begin in the morning of 28 September in the Centre for School and Outdoor Education (CŠOD) of Bohinj with a first-hand experience of how climate change education works in Slovenia.

Dr Gregor Torkar, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Education of the University of Ljubljana, will then deliver the keynote speech. The conference will continue with three panel sessions involving experts in the field:

- Exploring the CŠOD example from different perspectives;
- Formal (in curricula) climate change education in the Alpine countries;
- Informal climate change education in schools in the Alpine countries.

The morning of 29 September is foreseen for break-out sessions to provide participants the opportunity to discuss lessons learned. Inputs from the discussions will be gathered for the Slovenian Presidency's recommendations on climate change education for the XVIII Alpine Conference. The conference will close at lunchtime.

The Schools for climate action in the Alps Conference is aimed at education stakeholders in the fields of climate change, sustainability, and the environment, teachers, education authorities, individuals in charge of programme planning in regional and national administrations, and other interested stakeholders. The event will be held in English.

Please **register here** by 10 September for the conference, which is free of charge.

The conference venue is Hotel Jezero in Bohinj, Slovenia. Please refer to the provisional programme for more details. In case you have any questions, please contact **Taja.Lakota@alpconv.org.**

Please share this invitation with your colleagues, teachers, and anyone involved in climate change education or who may be interested in joining!