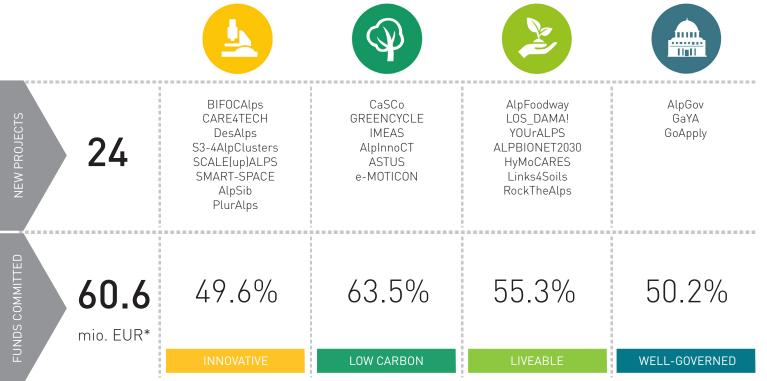
# The year 2016 Facts and figures

### **NEW PROJECTS**

In 2016, the implementation of the programme gathered pace: the programme approved 24 new projects in all four priorities: Innovative Alpine Space, Low carbon Alpine Space, Liveable Alpine Space and Well-governed Alpine Space. By the end of the year, 55% of the total ERDF funds of the programme have been committed.

# Tackling common challenges

The programme involves actors from different sectors and policy levels from the seven partner countries. The supported transnational projects work on common challenges and aim at improving the quality of life for the 66 million people in the area. Actions range from the introduction of a circular economy system in cities [GREENCYCLE] to the support of combined transport (AlpInnoCT) to the improvement of river management (SPARE). They help to make the region more innovative, environmentally friendly, better connected and contribute to an improved governance.



<sup>\*</sup> Total ERDF funds committed in priorities 1-4, including projects approved in call 1. The percentages refer to the exhaustion rate per priority after call 2.

Read more about our projects here.

Find more information about our projects and funding possibilities on www.alpine-space.eu



## **ALPWEEK 2016**

Between 11 and 14 October, more than 400 stakeholders participated in the AlpWeek, a major Alpine event which takes place every four years. The focus of the 2016 edition was on the relationship between the Alps and the people who live, work and recreate there.

In a variety of workshops, the participants engaged in a broad and diverse dialogue, sharing experiences and developing solutions for the future of the Alpine regions.

The programme was not only one of the co-organisers of the event, but also organised three workshop sessions, which all received a very positive feedback. Get a glimpse of the unique AlpWeek atmosphere by

Get a glimpse of the unique AlpWeek atmosphere by watching the **videos** or read about the **results** of the event and the **involvement** of our projects.

# **COOPERATION WITH EUSALP**

After the official endorsement of the EUSALP by the European Council, the programme has taken a pro-active approach to establish close links with the strategy. It participates as an observer in the thematic EUSALP action groups. The programme funding oppor-



tunities and services, as well as relevant past and current projects were presented at several occasions.

A project specifically dedicated to the strategy, AlpGov, was approved in June 2016. It supports the work of the action groups and the implementation of the strategy.

The close relationship has proved to be a win-win situation for both the programme and the strategy: EUSALP action groups benefit from concrete contributions to the implementation of their work programmes while Alpine Space projects benefit from higher visibility.