



New journal for protected mountain areas research in Europe

THE AUSTRIAN ACADEMY OF Sciences in conjunction with Innsbruck University Press has launched *EcoMont*, an online journal of research pertinent to the management of protected areas in the Alps, with relevance for mountain area

managers worldwide. The journal has similar goals to those of *Park Science*: practical applications of research to protected area management, in this case mountain areas, and publication of best practices based in science. The editors stress the need for a journal focused on protecting and maintaining the rich Alpine

natural and cultural heritage in a time when global warming threatens rapid change and strategies for sustainable development are needed more than ever. Articles are written in English and four editions have been published to date. The following sample of recently published articles gives the flavor of this new conservation journal:

- Perceiving changes in biodiversity in daily life
- Hiker use monitoring in the Tatra National Park (Poland)
- Can protected mountain areas serve as refuges for declining amphibian populations? Potential threats of climate change and chytridiomycosis in an alpine amphibian population
- Critical issues in managing protected areas by multistakeholder participation: Analysis of a process in the Swiss Alps
- Turning technical experts into multifunctional managers of protected areas

Article abstracts are available for free; full-text articles cost €5 (\$6.74) each. The journal is published at <http://www.oeaw.ac.at/ecomont>.

—Editor

