

# International Youth River Camp

## on participatory methods in river basin management

The Foundation Pro Terra Engiadina and the French project Partner IRSTEA are hosting an international Youth River Camp within the framework of the EU Project SPARE where you can:

- » meet other international young adults aged 18-28
- » learn about a participatory process in river basin management and test the related methods
- » develop a different perspective of your river
- » become an ambassador for the future of your own river

7-14 July 2018  
Zernez, Switzerland



# Integrated River Basin Management in the Inn River Basin

Integrated River Basin Management is a cross-sectoral approach to managing water resources, rivers and water related infrastructure. In a participatory process, a long-term plan regarding water supply, use and protection of and from water is developed.

## Engadine

The Engadine is an inner-alpine dry valley. The river is mostly influenced by hydropower and water withdrawal for agricultural irrigation. As the Engadine is facing a change in discharge (amount and seasonality) due to climate change, existing conflicts between the sectors might increase.



*location of the river basin within Switzerland*



## SPARE

The Youth River Camp is organised within the Interreg Project SPARE (Strategic Planning for Alpine River Ecosystems) that aims to gather, analyse and adapt strategic planning approaches in the management of rivers within the Alpine Region. Innovative participatory methods within selected pilot case areas should be tested and different tools for balancing use and protection of water should be developed and adapted.

You can find further information about the SPARE Project below.

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During the Youth River Camp, you will:

- » learn about an exemplary participatory process
- » learn and use the related participatory methods
- » apply these methods to a river basin of your choice
- » have field trips to become familiar with the characteristics and challenges of the Inn river basin in terms of integrated river basin management



The SPARE project partner IRSTEA (French National Research Institute of Science and Technology for Environment and Agriculture) will be responsible for the content and methodological support.



The Camp will take place in Zernez, which is not only the gateway to the National park, but also the geographic center of Engadine.

## Requirements for participation:

- » Aged 18-28
- » interest in participatory methods and river basin management
- » willingness to spend a short time exploring your own river in advance and then to participate for the full week of the course
- » competence/working knowledge of English
- » enthusiasm to become an ambassador for your river



**Application Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2018**

please send your CV and covering letter to: [info@proterrae.ch](mailto:info@proterrae.ch)



Zernez, Switzerland



200 CHF / 170 €

(including accommodation, transport, meals and course material)



accommodation: shared rooms



further information: [www.proterrae.ch](http://www.proterrae.ch) or SPARE (see below)