Winning the Mountain Protection Award gives our work an international dimension, enhancing our project and offers us new perspectives.”

Luisa Vuillermoz · Director of Fondation Grand Paradis
2020-21 UIAA Mountain Protection Award Winner

IMPROVING MOUNTAIN LIVES, PROTECTING THE MOUNTAIN ENVIRONMENT

The annual UIAA Mountain Protection Award has made a tangible difference to mountain lives, communities and the environment since its inception in 2013. It has enabled people to raise finances to build key infrastructures, conduct vital research and fulfil pending goals.

In parallel, it has provided an international showcase and communication platform for projects to raise awareness and exchange ideas and initiatives. Not only has it supported local communities, it has fostered its global community.

Promote your project as part of THE 2022 UIAA MOUNTAIN PROTECTION AWARD

The annual UIAA Mountain Protection Award

How to apply ↓
A project supported by a UIAA member federation or an association or travel company working in the mountain environment which engages and collaborates with local communities to develop a culture of sustainable activities which attract and inspire visitors. The project must have a climbing, mountaineering or outdoor sport focus, and be involved in at least one of the following activities:

- Conservation of biodiversity including flora and fauna
- Sustainable resource consumption and management like energy and water
- Sustainable waste management and disposal
- Adaptation to/mitigation of effects of climate change
- Protection of the environment through culture and education

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**WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?**

All selected projects are showcased on the UIAA website and communication channels. The Winner will be announced at the UIAA General Assembly held on 29 October 2022 in Banff, Alberta, Canada and receives a EUR 10’000 financial grant. The Runner-Up receives a EUR 4’000 financial remuneration, the right to use the silver MPA logo and is featured in a dedicated UIAA communication. The Best New Initiative receives a EUR 1’000 financial incentive, will be featured in a dedicated article and will receive the respective logo. Thanks to the UIAA partnership with the Bally Peak Outlook Foundation, the winning project will further benefit from exclusive content creation and communication amplification through Bally’s worldwide press outreach and the UIAA’s global mountain network.

**HOW TO APPLY?**

Visit: [theuiaa.org/mountain-protection-award](https://theuiaa.org/mountain-protection-award)

Entry is free of charge and all complete and eligible applications are sent for review to the UIAA MPA Assessment Team. Applications open on 1 March 2022.

The deadline to apply is **15 June 2022**.

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