

EUMA MISSION:

- We are the voice of European mountaineers
- We understand mountaineering as sport activities for all in mountains and climbing areas (hiking, mountaineering and climbing) and all support activities (education, voluntary guiding, environmental awareness, mountain trails, mountain huts and climbing areas).
- We stand for freedom of access to mountains and climbing areas in a responsible manner as a fundamental right.
- We promote:
 - responsible mountaineering (nature protection and safety in the mountains) that balances the interests of the mountaineers with the requirements of a prudent use
 - mountaineering as fundamental contribution to cohesion in Europe
 - sustainable development of the mountain regions and their lifeforms
- We cooperate with European institutions where we will represent the interests of our members.
- We encourage cooperation within our members and with partners sharing common interest.

EUMA – improvement of good governance of climbing and mountaineering in Europe (Erasmus+ project)



The project focuses on implementation of principles for good governance in hiking, mountaineering and climbing sports on the EU level.

The **vision** of the Project is to produce a content focused overview concerning huts, trails and rock climbing areas in Europe. The outcome gives an overview of the actual situation of mountaineering sport in Europe. These results will serve as an instrument for lobbying, assisting and coordinating the mountaineering associations at European institutions.

The **aim** is to get a profound understanding of the management systems of mountaineering infrastructure in Europe serving as a mechanism for decision making on the EU level.

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European Mountaineering Associations

THE VOICE OF EUROPEAN MOUNTAINEERS



WHO ARE WE?

We are an umbrella organisation of European mountaineering associations from 25 countries with approximately 3 million members.

We strive to include mountaineering in European Union priorities as an important factor of quality of life and to be recognised as the dialogue partner for mountaineering by EU institutions.

What are we standing for?

- **Free responsible access to mountains:** mountains do not “belong” to anyone. They should be habitat and environment for living things, shared in harmony and with mutual respect. The basic right for human beings to enjoy this environment, without destroying or disturbing the fragile ecological balance.
- **Commitment to alpine environment protection** whenever this mutual respect is missing
- A common **European community spirit:** mountaineering overcomes borders and prejudices

What are we doing to achieve this?

- We are connecting mountaineering organizations from all over Europe
- We encourage our members to do common activities
- We tackle shared problems together and learn from others how to cope with specific problems
- We establish contacts to the European Union institutions to secure support for the goals we stand for.



EUROPEAN MOUNTAINEERING IN NUMBERS

2.889.598

mountaineers in 27 associations from 25 countries

159.500

km of mountain trails

2.878

mountain huts and shelters/bivouacs

4.335

climbing areas

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EUMA ASSOCIATED MEMBERS (January 2021): Camping and Mountaineering Federation of Portugal (FCMP), Portuguese Alpine Club (CNM) and South Tyrol Alpine Club (AVS) (3)

EUMA COLLABORATING ORGANISATIONS (January 2021): Balkan Mountaineering Union (BMU) and Club Arc Alpin (CAA) (2)

EUMA PARTNERS (January 2021): International Climbing and Mountaineering Federation (UIAA), European Ramblers Association (ERA) and Tenerife Walking Festival (TWF) (3)

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