



Fondation pour le développement durable
des régions de montagne

Charter of the Foundation

1) Mission statement

The "Foundation for sustainable development in mountain regions" enforces the policy expressed in the Charter on sustainable development voted by the cantonal government of the canton of Valais on 26 June 1998. It seeks to enforce the principles expressed in that text.

To this effect, the Foundation pursues the following goals :

- To promote and support projects on sustainable development in mountainous regions in Valais, Switzerland and abroad, especially projects leading to an improved quality of life for the inhabitants of these regions
- To foster reflection among economists, politicians, and cultural planners on the necessity of integrating the issue of sustainable development into their agendas
- To inform and train the population
- To encourage all activities focused on sustainable development in mountainous regions.

In addition, we promote issues of health.

2) Values

Quality

We strive to implement quality projects and to motivate our targeted audiences.
We assess all completed projects.

Environment

We seek to improve the use and management of natural resources, both environmentally and economically.

We raise the awareness of our staff to environmental issues and offer training.

We encourage our commissioners of projects and targeted audiences to respect the environment.

We enforce a purchasing policy that accords with sustainable development.



Social

We work for the preservation of jobs in mountain regions.

We value the input of our collaborators and wish to involve them in the work of the Foundation.

We contribute to the integration of young people in danger of being marginalized by creating internships for them.

Security

We are particularly vigilant with data protection.

Finances

We wish to run our Foundation soundly.

We are committed to an economic policy that will enhance our social and environmental work as well as our security and performance.

Improvement

We always strive to run our Foundation in the most efficient manner possible.

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