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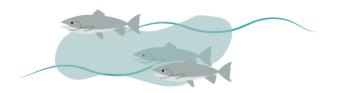


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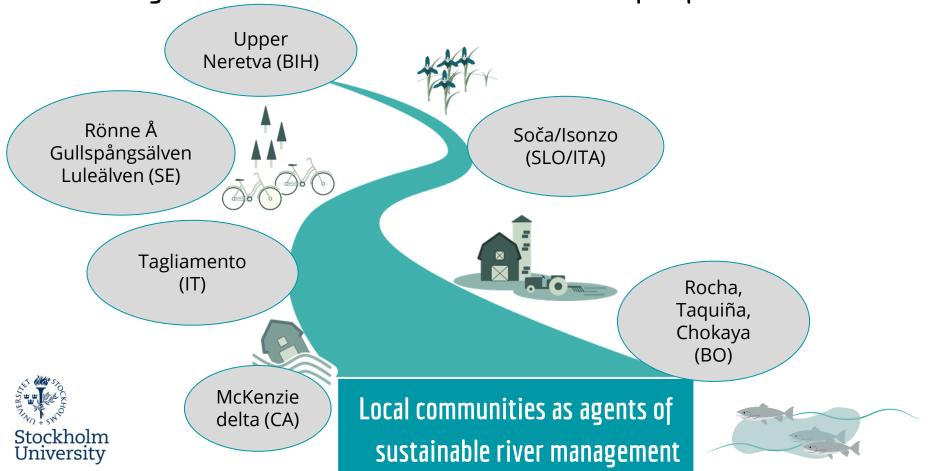
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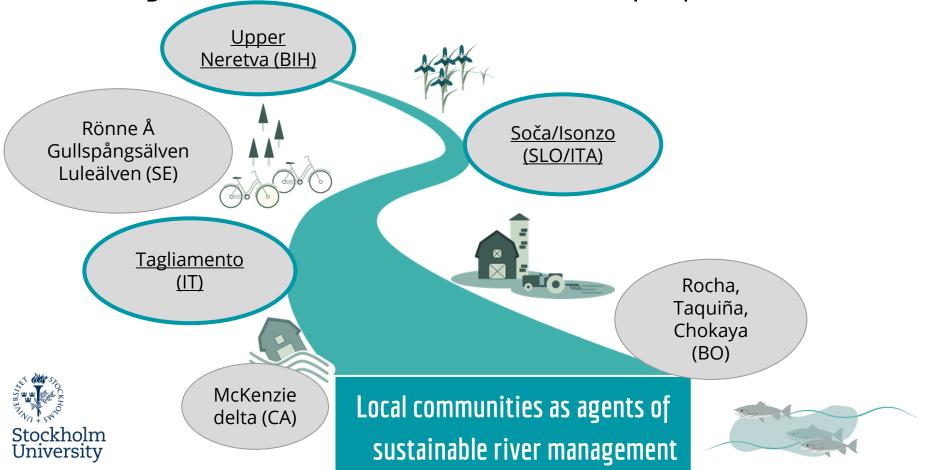




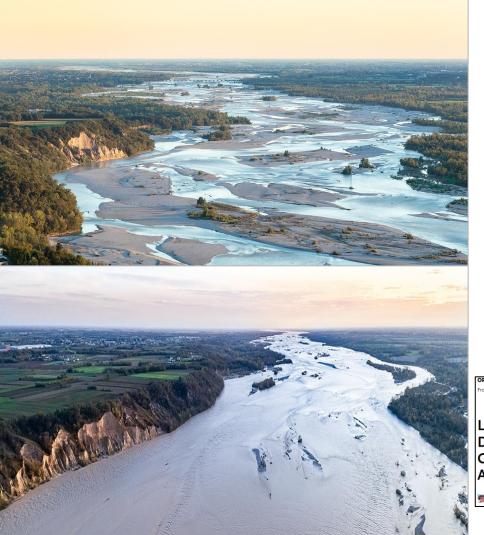
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The Tagliamento river

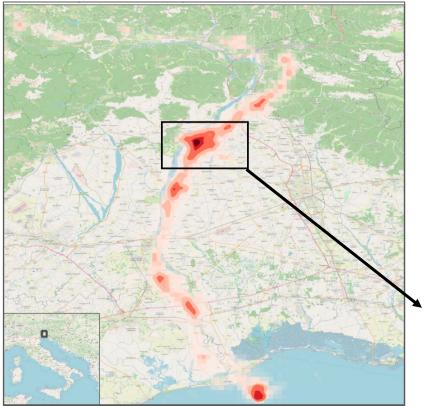
- A reference for the study of alpine riverine ecosystems (Ward et al., 1999, Tockner et al., 2003)
- Ongoing debate on river management (conservation plans, flood-control infrastructure)
- Relevant for citizens' activities, well-being and local economy (e.g. tourism)
- A (possible) reference system for sustainable river management

ORIGINAL RESEARCH article Front. Environ. Sci., 19 February 2021 https://doi.org/10.3389/fenvs.2021.553822
Linking the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to Research, Newspapers, and Governance: The Case of the Last Free-Flowing Alpine River
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Mapping river values and management conflicts

Assumption: favourite places (clicks) correspond to high river values



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What locals want: citizen preferences and priorities for the Tagliamento River

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This map shows that conflict goes beyond ecological and biodiversity losses and highlights potential cultural losses

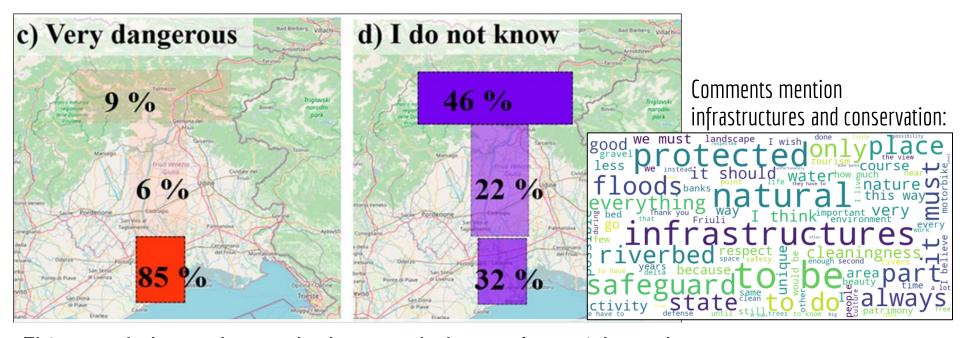
Any river intervention should account for its environmental impact also in terms of loss of cultural services.

Hotspot coincides with planned flood-mitigation measures (grey infrastructure)

Mapping river values and management conflicts

Collecting local opinions, perception and knowledge about risk





This map helps understand what people know about risks and identify where awareness is low

From river values to actionable outcomes



WWF Germany funded a website to create a community and share knowledge

www.tagliamento.org



Co-design of website objectives, components and structure

Collection of formal and informal knowledge

Co-creation of website content



Community involvement in the Tagliamento Building an alternative, sustainable and pro-community vision

Morphology = regulation



Nature = provision



Community = socio-cultural



Check out https://tagliamento.org/:)

Neretva Science Week

Part of the Scientists for Balkan Rivers project within the Save the Blue Heart of Europe campaign (Riverwatch and EuroNatur).

24 hydropower plants are planned on the Upper Neretva and its tributaries, including one under construction (HPP **Ulog**)

Socio-cultural group of the NSW 2023



Caring for rivers, caring for us: How communities can help save our rivers



The complexity of the situation in the Upper Neretva makes you reflect on why is it so difficult to create a united voice?



For the source of the beautiful Neretva
Where even fairies have not muddied the source
Where the river divides the mountains
Where the soul separates from the heart
[Poem shared by an interviewee]

The Soca/Isonzo river

A transboundary impacts study

Questionnaire: https://rivervalues.eu/



la VÔS dai FURLANS

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Cuistionari

Il flum Lusinç al finìs sot esam

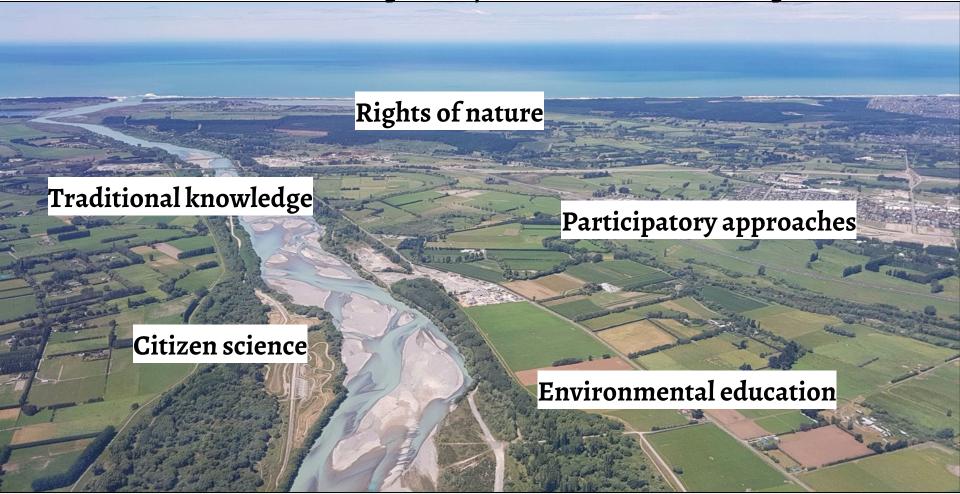
Cuâl isal il valôr culturâl dal Lusinç? Puedial Jessi motôr pal svilup sostignibil dal teritori? Par rispuindi a chestis domandis al è in linie un cuistionari, prin tassel di un progjet internazional coordenât di Anna Scaini de Universitât di Stocolme, che al nas, tal 2015, ad ôr dal Tiliment di Anna e Chiara Scaini, ricercjadoris sientifichis tal cjamp de gjestion sostignibile dai cors di aghe. L'obietif al è chel di mapà i fitums dal mont cul Jutori des personis che ju cognossin e des comunitâts locâls, ancje par orientâ lis sieltis di gjestion che dispès no van intune cu la conservazion dal ambient.

"Il Lusinç al è un dai 10 câs di studi internazionăi dal progjet – e spieghe Anna Scaini –. Al è stât sielt parcè che al è un flum difrontiere. Su lis sôs rivis a coesistin tantis comunitâts e diviersis oportunitâts socioeconomichis. Duncje al podarès deventă un laboratori pal svilup sostignibil". Il cuistionari si lu cjate al link https://rivervalues.eu/. (e.a.)





Local communities as agents of sustainable river management



My reflections

- → The working team is a community
- → How to measure mission-driven (research) impact?
- → Why is knowledge transfer advocated, asked for and still widely overlooked?