



Association
for Conservation

Information Sheet



Reconstruction of Gamsscharte, Eastern Alps

Organisation - The aims of the German Alpine Club (DAV) include the advancement of sport, especially in the Alps and lower mountain ranges and the conservation of nature and the environment. The association also promotes projects which can be undertaken by individual sections of the DAV, as well as undertaking and managing joint projects.

Project - The Gamsscharte is an important alpine passage in the Eastern Alps. It connects Alpine refuges in the Tirol, Salzburg and Südtirol along the 'Three Countries Trail'. Due to a receding glacier the passage has become dangerous and has had to be closed. The specialist reconstruction work, which involves the relocating of the path is urgent, but also very difficult due to its inaccessible location, requiring extensive rock handling, complex securing arrangements and materials being flown in by helicopter. The project requires:

- Identifying the course of the new trail
- Clearing and securing stones in order to construct the new path
- Purchase and installation of stair clamps, ties and cable handrails
- Promotional campaign for the Three Countries Trail

Project nominated by OutDoor

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