

Privacy Policy

Who are we?

This website and its content are provided by the ISCAR office which is affiliated with the Forum Landscape, Alps, Parks of the Swiss Academy of Sciences (SCNAT) without any commercial interest.

The responsible body within the meaning of the data protection laws, in particular the EU General Data Protection Regulation (DSGVO), is:

ISCAR office
House of Academies
Laupenstrasse 7 P.O. Box
CH-3001 Berne
Tel: +41 (0) 31 306 93 46
Email: iscar@scnat.ch

Website: <http://iscar-alpineresearch.org/>

What personal data we collect and why we collect it

When you access this website, information of a general nature is automatically collected. This information is recorded in the server log file and includes the type of web browser, the operating system used, the domain name of your internet service provider, your IP address and the like.

This is for the following reason:

- Ensuring a smooth connection of the website
- Ensuring a smooth use of our website
- Evaluation of system security and stability, and
- for other administrative purposes

Your data will not be used to draw conclusions about your person. Information of this kind is only statistically evaluated in order to optimise our website and the technology behind it.

Storage period

The data is deleted as soon as it is no longer required for the purpose of collection. This is generally the case for the data used to provide the website when the respective session has ended.

Comments

When visitors post comments on the site, we collect the information displayed in the comment form, as well as the visitor's IP address and user agent string (which identifies the browser) to help detect spam.

An anonymized string may be created from your email address (also called a hash) and passed to the Gravatar service to verify that you are using it. The privacy policy of the Gravatar service can be found here: <https://automattic.com/privacy/>. After your comment is approved, your profile picture is publicly visible in the context of your comment.

Media

If you are a registered user and upload photos to this website, you should avoid uploading photos with an EXIF GPS location. Visitors to this website could download photos stored on this website and extract their location information.

Cookies

When you post a comment on our website, this may be consent to store your name, email address and website in cookies. This is a convenience feature so that when you post another comment, you don't have to re-enter all this data. These cookies are stored for one year.

If you have an account and you log in to this website, we will set a temporary cookie to determine whether your browser accepts cookies. This cookie does not contain any personal data and is discarded when you close your browser.

When you sign up, we will set up some cookies to store your login information and viewing options. Login cookies expire after two days and display options cookies expire after one year. If you select "Stay signed in" when you sign up, your sign-in will be maintained for two weeks. When you sign out of your account, the sign-in cookies are deleted.

When you edit or publish an article, an additional cookie is stored in your browser. This cookie does not contain any personal data and only refers to the post ID of the article you have just edited. The cookie expires after one day.

Use of script libraries (Google Webfonts)

In order to display our content correctly and in a graphically appealing manner across browsers, we use "Google Web Fonts" from Google LLC (1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043, USA; hereinafter "Google") on this website to display fonts.

The privacy policy of the library operator Google can be found here: <https://www.google.com/policies/privacy/>.

Embedded content from other websites

Posts on this website may contain embedded content (e.g. videos, images, posts, etc.). Embedded content from other websites behaves exactly as if the visitor had visited the other website.

These websites may collect information about you, use cookies, embed additional third party tracking services, and record your interaction with such embedded content, including your interaction with the embedded content if you have an account and are logged into this website.

Use of Google Analytics

This website does not use Google Analytics.

Privacy policy for the use of Google AdSense

This website does not use Google AdSense.

Privacy policy for the use of Google +1

With the help of the Google +1 button, you can publish information worldwide. Via the Google +1 button, you and other users receive personalised content from Google and its partners. Google stores both the information that you have given for a content +1, as well as information about the page you have viewed when clicking +1. Your +1s can be displayed as notices together with your profile name and photo in Google services, such as in search results or in your Google profile, or elsewhere on websites and ads on the Internet.

Google records information about your +1 activities to improve Google services for you and others.

In order to use the Google +1 button, you need a globally visible, public Google profile, which must contain at least the name chosen for the profile. This name is used in all Google services. In some cases, this name may also replace another name you used when sharing content through your Google Account. The identity of your Google profile may be displayed to users who know your email address or have other identifying information about you.

In addition to the purposes explained above, the information you provide will be used in accordance with the applicable Google privacy policy (<http://www.google.com/intl/de/policies/privacy/>). Google may publish aggregate statistics about users' +1 activities or share these statistics with our users and partners, such as publishers, advertisers or affiliated websites.

Use of Google Maps

On this website we use the offer of Google Maps. Google Maps is operated by Google LLC, 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043, USA (hereinafter "Google"). This enables us to show you interactive maps directly on the website and allows you to use the map function conveniently.

You can find more information about data processing by Google in [the Google privacy policy](#). There you can also change your personal privacy settings in the Privacy Center.

Embedded YouTube videos

We embed YouTube videos on some of our websites. The operator of the corresponding plugins is YouTube, LLC, 901 Cherry Ave, San Bruno, CA 94066, USA (hereinafter "YouTube"). When you visit a page with the YouTube plugin, a connection to YouTube servers is established. In doing so, YouTube is informed which pages you are visiting. If you are logged into your YouTube account, YouTube can assign your surfing behaviour to you personally. You can prevent this by logging out of your YouTube account beforehand.

If a YouTube video is started, the provider uses cookies that collect information about user behaviour.

How long we store your data

When you post a comment, it is saved indefinitely, including metadata. This way, we can automatically detect and approve follow-up comments instead of holding them in a moderation queue.

For users who register on our website, we additionally store the personal information they provide in their user profiles. All users can view, change or delete their personal information at any time (the username cannot be changed). Administrators of the website can also view and change this information.

What rights you have to your data

If you have an account on this website or have posted comments, you may request an export of your personal data from us, including any data you have provided to us. In addition, you can request the deletion of all personal data that we have stored about you. This does not include data that we are required to retain for administrative, legal or security needs.

Where we send your data

Visitor comments could be examined by an automated spam detection service.

Contact information

For privacy-related concerns, please contact:

ISCAR office
House of Academies
Laupenstrasse 7 P.O. Box
CH-3001 Berne
Tel: +41 (0) 31 306 93 46
Email: iscar@scnat.ch

social plugins

Social media plugins are used on our websites. Information, which may also include personal data, may be sent to the service provider via these plugins and may be used by the service provider. We prevent the unconscious and unintentional collection and transmission of data to the service provider through a 2-click solution. To activate a desired social plugin, it must first be activated by clicking on the corresponding button. Only this activation of the plugin also triggers the collection of information and its transmission to the service provider. We ourselves do not collect any personal data by means of the social plugins or about their use.

We have no influence on what data an activated plugin collects and how it is used by the provider. Currently, it must be assumed that a direct connection to the services of the provider is established and at least the IP address and device-related information is collected and used. There is also the possibility that the service providers try to save cookies on the computer used. Please refer to the data protection information of the respective service provider to find out which specific data is collected and how it is used. If you are logged into Facebook at the same time, Facebook can identify you as a visitor to a particular page.

Google AdWords

Our website does not use the Google Conversion Tracking

How we protect your data

SSL encryption

To protect the security of your data during transmission, we use state-of-the-art encryption methods (e.g. SSL) via HTTPS.

Changes

We may amend this privacy policy at any time without prior notice. The current version published on our website applies.

Questions to the Data Protection Officer

If you have any questions about data protection, please write to us by e-mail or contact the person in our organisation responsible for data protection listed at the beginning of the data protection declaration directly.

Bern, 30.03.2024

