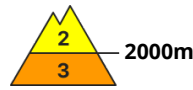
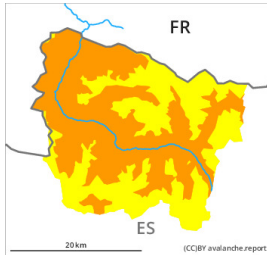


Danger Level 3 - Considerable



Tendency: Decreasing avalanche danger
on Thursday 14 03 2024



Wind slab



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**



Wet snow



Snowpack stability: **very poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**



Persistent weak layer



Snowpack stability: **poor**

Frequency: **some**

Avalanche size: **medium**

Wind slabs and weakly bonded old snow require caution. Gliding avalanches and moist snow slides as the day progresses.

The fresh and somewhat older wind slabs must be evaluated with care and prudence in particular on steep north and east facing slopes and above the tree line. The wind slabs are sometimes deep but can be released easily especially at their margins. Sometimes they are medium-sized. As a consequence of warming during the day and solar radiation more dry and moist snow slides are to be expected as the day progresses, even medium-sized ones. Gliding avalanches are also to be expected.

The conditions are sometimes treacherous for backcountry touring and other off-piste activities. The current avalanche situation calls for experience in the assessment of avalanche danger and careful route selection.

Snowpack

30 to 60 cm of snow has fallen since Friday. The sometimes strong wind has transported the new snow significantly.

The fresh and somewhat older wind slabs are lying on weak layers in particular on wind-protected shady slopes at intermediate and high altitudes. The various wind slabs have bonded poorly with each other and the old snowpack. Released avalanches and field observations confirm the complex avalanche situation in particular on wind-loaded slopes. Outgoing longwave radiation during the night will be good. Sunshine and high temperatures will give rise as the day progresses to rapid moistening of the snowpack in particular on steep sunny slopes.

Above approximately 2000 m there are 90 to 130 cm of snow, and even more in some localities.

Tendency

Thursday: The danger of dry avalanches will decrease gradually. The danger of wet and gliding avalanches will not decrease for the time being.