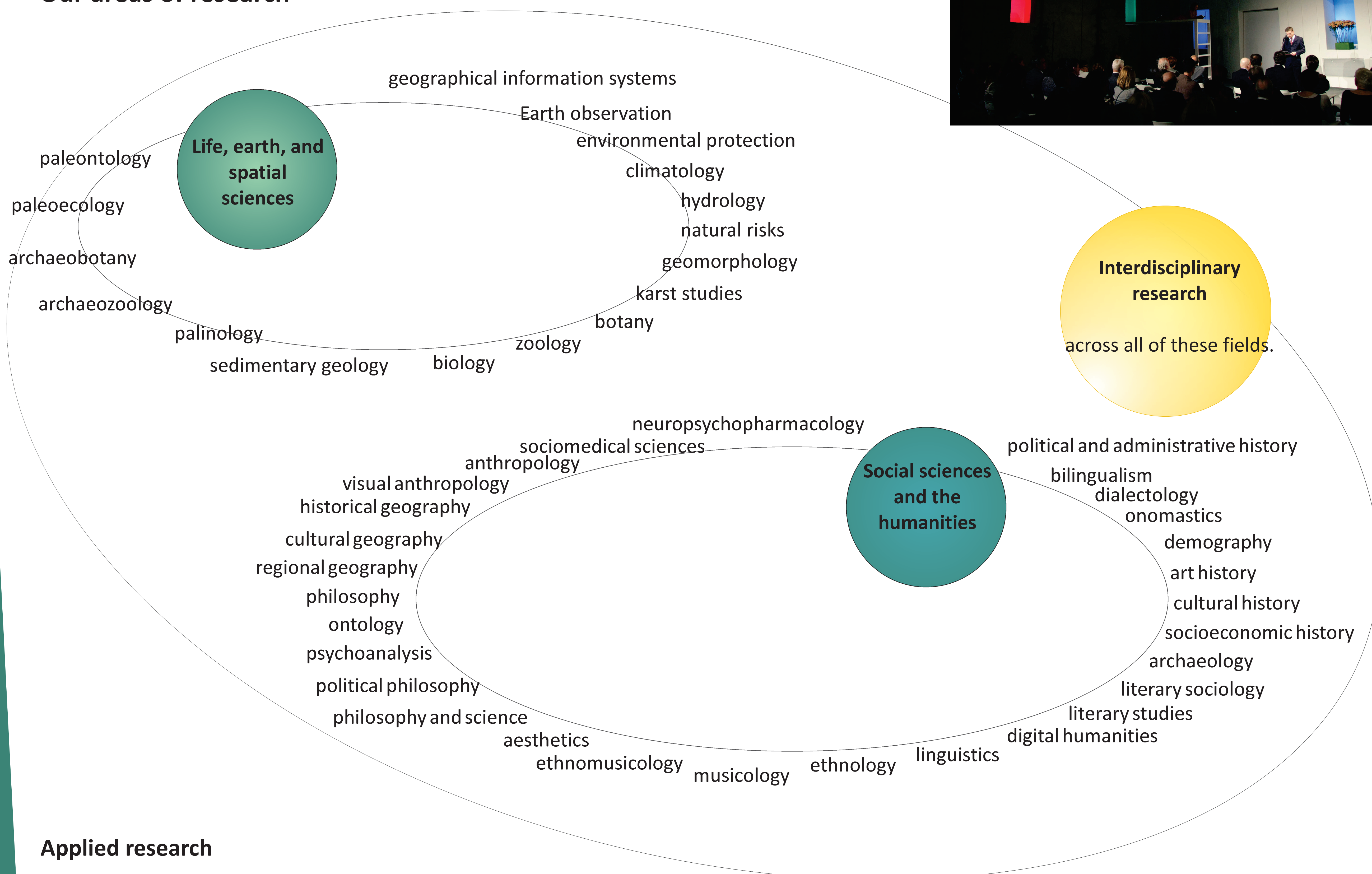


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Research infrastructure:

- Publishing (15 journals, 5 of them listed in the Thomson Reuters indices , 15 book series)
- Bookstore
- Audio-visual laboratory
- Geographical Museum
- Numerous collections (archeology, ethnology, ethnomusicology, etc.)

Our areas of research



Applied research

- Inventorying (digital heritage collections), assessment, and protection of natural and cultural heritage (at the local, regional, and transregional level)
- Development plans and strategies
- Management of cultural and natural heritage:
 - Professional support at the planning phase for the management of natural and cultural heritage (at the local, regional, and transregional level)
 - Regional implementation of EU policy for the protection of natural and cultural heritage
- Tourism: identifying (and an initial implementation phase for) the potential of natural and cultural heritage for sustainable and commercial tourist products
- Environment: environmental impact assessment, vulnerability assessment
- Water resource management
- Professional support for building infrastructure (e.g., roads)

International cooperation

Fp7, LIFE+, and transnational cooperation projects.

Some ongoing and some completed (transnational cooperation, Interreg) Alpine Space projects:



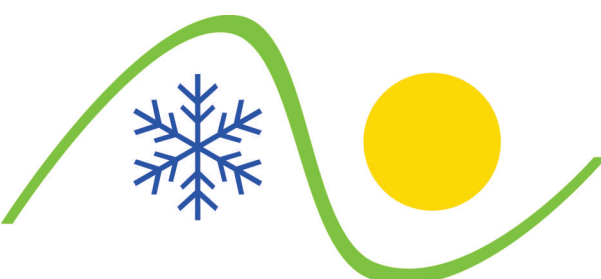
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ALPINE WINDHARVEST: Development of an information base for potentials and necessary technical, legal, and socioeconomic conditions for expanding wind energy in the Alpine Space
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CAPACities: Competitiveness Action and Policies for Alpine Cities
European Territorial Cooperation, 2008–2011



CLIMALPTOUR: Climate Change and its Impact on Tourism in the Alpine Space
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