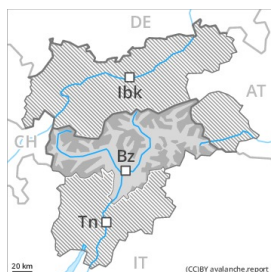




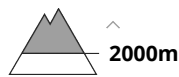
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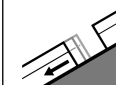
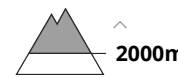
Tendency: Constant avalanche danger →
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Wind-drifted
 snow



Persistent
 weak layer



Gliding snow



On wind-loaded slopes a considerable avalanche danger will persist.

The more recent wind slabs can be released by a single winter sport participant in all aspects above approximately 2000 m. The number and size of avalanche prone locations will increase with altitude. Avalanches can also penetrate deep layers and reach dangerously large size. Weak layers in the old snowpack can still be released in isolated cases by individual winter sport participants in particular in areas where the snow cover is rather shallow.

A latent danger of gliding avalanches exists. Areas with glide cracks are to be avoided as far as possible.

Snowpack

Danger patterns

dp.6: cold, loose snow and wind

dp.2: gliding snow

As a consequence of a moderate to strong wind from northeasterly directions, dangerous wind slabs formed in the last three days, especially adjacent to ridgelines and in gullies and bowls above the tree line. The various wind slabs have bonded poorly together. They are to be avoided as far as possible. Faceted weak layers exist in the centre of the snowpack in particular above the tree line. This applies in all aspects.

Towards its base, the snowpack is moist and its surface has a melt-freeze crust, in particular at low and intermediate altitudes.

Tendency

The weather will be partly cloudy. As a consequence of rising temperatures and the snow drift accumulations will stabilise during the next few days. Fresh wind slabs require caution. In addition a latent danger of gliding avalanches exists.