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Light installation Ziegenpfad (goat path), Verzasca valley, Alp Odro/ CH 2008

The well-known German artist Donald Unter Ecker is back in Switzerland. For the second time he will present one of his light installations to the public. This one will happen in September 2008 in Verzasca Valley, Alp Odro.

Like its predecessor „Rinderweg“ (beef way) of 2006 in Bisistal, Canton Schwyz, the new light installation „Ziegenpfad“ is a temporary art installation. It is intended as a tribute to the respect for a nature-driven way of life of humans and animals, the „European civilization model“, for which in the eyes of the artist Switzerland stands in an exemplary way.

30 road marks along a path to the Alp Odro will show photos with faces of the goats that are living on the Alp during the year. They are representing the many goats, which have long been part of culture and quality of life that accompany humankind. The photos are attached to metal rods of 2.50 m in length using solar lights on a way to a total length of approximately 200-500m.

Since people in this part of Switzerland have a genuine relation to their livestock, it seems that the selected location is predestined for a meditative installation - it is the way the animals use almost daily. On the back of the photos visitors will find informations on aspects of the goat world, but also about the original Nera Verzasca goat.

Place for the installation is the Alp Odro (1240m), above Vogorno, in Valle Verzasca. The vernissage will take place on 6 Sept. 2008 app. 6hpm. Further info at Alp Odro, Tel: 091 745 48 15, www.odro.ch and on Donald Unter Ecker's homepage, www.due.de.