

Project Update: November 2013

In the course of the last 5 months, extensive field research was conducted in many localities in Albania. The experience from the spring forays was beneficial in terms of selection of the localities demanding more detailed observation during autumn, as the best season for fungi collection. The emphasis was on the National Parks - Tomorri, Llogora, Prespa, Valbonë, Hotove, Shebenik and Korab-Koritnik Natural Park. Abundant fungal material (over 1,000 specimens) was collected, and to date 550 different species have been determined, while approximately 60 corticoid species are still to be identified. The hitherto project results were presented at the highly relevant Third International Congress on Fungal Conservation, held in early November 2013 in Turkey, and soon they will be published in the Newsletter of the International Society for Fungal Conservation. All project-related resources, such as the updated online fungi database, presentations and a photo gallery, are available on <http://macfungi.webs.com/fungialbanici.htm>



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