

## Project Update: June 2018

After we have been granted for our project *Guardians of the Fragile Equilibrium in the Shallow Ecosystems of a Ramsar Sites in Serbia: Stoneworts Diversity and Distribution* on June 11th, we have organised our first field session in all three Ramsar sites – Gornje podunavlje, Zasavica and Labudovo okno, despite very rainy period here in Serbia.

We managed to explore all planned research areas and we identified and surveyed different habitat types (ephemeral and permanent shallow water), that could be expected to be inhabited by stoneworts - and we were very successful. We have found stoneworts in each of explored localities, we have searched some places that were confirmed earlier as habitats of stoneworts, but we have found new habitats too. Preliminary material survey showed that in this field session Gornje podunavlje exhibited the greatest diversity. Material has been cuarted for a herbarium. Now we have to do detailed laboratory work on species identification.

We had very good cooperation with the protected area managers in each area, and made some contacts to the local people too. We started our projet very good and very succesfull.

Gornje podunavlje field session June 2018



Zasavica field session June 2018



Labudovo okno field session June 2018



Preliminary material survey – laboratory work June 2018





