Project Update: February 2019

With great pleasure we would like to inform you that we are successfully getting close to the end of our “Montenegro eel project”.

From August 2018 to beginning of February 2019, the following activities were carried out:

Wintertime brought us bad weather conditions (high water level, wind and waves) that did not allow us to do more fieldwork. Only in September and October 2018 were we able to perform field activities.

During September and October 2018 we visited the locations “Black Eye”, “Karatun”, “Bi Vo”, and “Bolju Sestru”.

In a conversation with fishermen, we were told that in the wintertime we will hardly catch eels at some of the nearby sites, and that we can only try our luck at the mentioned sites. After 2 weeks of research, we only captured two specimens, and by the end of October, we caught six specimens in total.

In November and December 2018 we did the educational part of the project, which included educational workshops in elementary and secondary schools. We visited the primary school “Radojica Perovic”, elementary school “Sutjeska”, as well as secondary school “25 May”.

Within our educational workshops, kids, students and professors were able to get acquainted with our project, learn more about eels, as well as the entire fish fauna of the Skadar Lake, and also have learned about all the factors that threaten this critically endangered species. The interactive part of our educational workshops included the display of images and videos from the fieldwork, as well as the presentation and distribution of our educational posters and leaflets.

In February 2019, we plan to finish the project with a workshop, where we will present our final results of the project.

Fieldwork
Educational workshops in elementary and high schools: