

Project Update: September 2013

The project team started its activities, i.e. the field researches, at the end of May 2013 and continued with these activities throughout June, July and August 2013.

At various locations of the high mountain meadows of Mt. Bjelasnica, line transects (2 km in length) were done to collect a significant number of data on the populations of the species skylark *Alauda arvensis*, shore lark *Eremophila alpestris balcanica*, tawny pipit *Anthus campestris*, water pipit *Anthus spinoletta*, blue rock thrush *Monticola saxatilis*, wheatear *Oenanthe oenanthe*, black redstart *Phoenicurus ochruros* and red-backed shrike *Lanius collurio*. Besides the line transects done, a major part of the high mountain habitats of Mt. Bjelasnica was seen over during the field research. The last field work that was done at Mt. Igman referred to the preparation of the field researches for the next year.

Various press and electronic media were informed on the project activities.



Dubravko Dender during research (Photo Sanja Trbojevic)



Mt. Bjelasnica - high alpine country, researched area (Photo Dubravko Dender)



Tawny pipit *Anthus campestris* - common breeder on high alpine meadows (Photo Dubravko Dender)