

## Project Update: October 2017

### Field work

Field investigation was conducted from June to October 2017 covering 44 watercourses from eight main drainages in Serbia. The presence of *Austropotamobius torrentium* was recorded at 21 localities, including some new records, such as finding in the Pannonian island mountain (Fruška gora). During field research necessary material for DNA analyses was collected, as well as data regarding population density and general habitat conditions.



### Lectures and presentations

Lectures were done in four primary school in Serbia, including Belgrade, central, east and south-east Serbia (Kragujevac, Pirot and Bosilegrad). Target groups were children in 6th and 7th grade. Before power point presentations, questionnaires were filled in order to test level of knowledge regarding this particular species and ecology in general. Promotional material (brochures and badges) was distributed among children, as well as among employees in National parks and protected areas we investigated. Also, the project was promoted on XXV International Conference Eco-Isf'17 in Vrnjačka Banja.

