

Project Update: May 2017

We conducted search for the spawning grounds in February, March and April 2017. Due to harsh conditions in the field, high water levels and poor visibility of the water it was almost impossible to see any fish; nevertheless we were in contact with our friends in Bosanska Krupa who have a protected zone on Una and we were invited to check for fish at their place where the visibility was a bit better. All fish in this river have that time clock where all spawn in approximately 10-12 days. The data for this spawning season was amazing for Danube salmon because for the first time in 13 years, the fish spawned 1 month earlier that they used to do. That was for sure influenced by the earlier spring and rising temperatures for this period of the year. During the spawning we have not been trying to catch the specimens in order not to stress them during that period. Until now we conducted in total six fishing expeditions, two at the end of January 2017 with two fish caught and four in May 2017 with also two specimens caught. We will continue to work on our field expeditions and in July and August 2017 will organise the educational part of our project.

