

## **Project Update: August 2018**

Our third (and last in this year) field session – August 2018 has been successfully made through in all three Ramsar sites Gornje podunavlje, Zasavica and Labudovo okno. In comparison to the previous period, August was dry, thus many of monitored shallow ecosystems dried up. Still, stonewort presence was detected in all three Ramsar sites in August, although diversity was lower.

We have to accentuate very good cooperation with the protected area managers in each area during the first stage of our project. During the following period we will cooperate on planning next season's field trips so that area we cover expands, and also we will cooperate on promotion of our project and this season results. Activities planned for the following period (October 2018 to April 2019) are educational and promotional. In this period promotional material will be designed and printed. Public lectures will be held in terms of project popularisation, for students and interested parties at Faculty of Biology, University of Belgrade. Promotional material will be disseminated to the students, protected area managers and local communities in selected localities, so that awareness of stonewort importance is raised. We hope that our activities will inspire biology students to get involved in the third stage of project (next sampling period), to get familiar with fieldwork and laboratory practice concerning stoneworts. Read about that in our next Update.

Labudovo okno field session August 2018



Zasavica field session August 2018



Gornje podunavlje field session August 2018

