

Project Update: June 2014

I am back from the 7th Planta Europa conference held in Kolymbari, Crete on 21st-25th May 2014. It was very productive: I made an oral presentation "Important Plant Areas of Armenia Project: the Progress Report", where I represented to the participants the history of the project, its results and plans for the nearer future. I brought there also a sufficient number of publications - the outputs from my continuation grant, so everyone, who was interested, could have it. I made a lot of new contacts and we started to develop some new initiatives on international collaboration. It was a pleasure to meet Elizabeth Radford there - the deputy chief executive at Plantlife, UK. She played, and continues to play, an important role in supporting and encouraging my project.

The Declaration of Crete will be published as the outcome of the conference. I will forward you the link as soon as it published as I was pleased to see in the declaration's draft, that one of its points refers to the progress on the Important Plant Areas project of Armenia. Another output of the conference will be publication of the materials and I plan to submit a paper.

Here are the links to the conference resources (general and my presentation):

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