

Project Update: January 2015

From 25th-27th January 2015, we have been able to carry out our fieldtrip. This campaign was the second of the dry season. For technical reasons, at the opposite of the previous months, we have started this one by the littoral direction, that's the trip involving the sample collection in the Rivers Nyong, Kelle, Lep Riton, Dibang, Ngwei, Eding and Sanaga at Edéa. As previously, two water samples were collected in each site, at least 50 cl each sample, to allow physico-chemical and biological analysis at the hydro-biological laboratory of the University of Dschang. This trip covered about 334 km in total. This time, the water level was low enough and could allow us to do a quick inventory of the presence or not of Podostemaceae in the site and to identify them.

We continued the trip by the northern direction, to cover the rivers Afamba, Mbam and Sanaga at Nachtigal. As previously, two water samples were collected at each site and the Podostemaceae were surveyed. The good news is that all the 11 sites contain Podostemaceae, but none of them host those threatened by dams on the Sanaga River. In this direction, the total distance covered was 370 km.

