

Project Update: July 2004

In July 2004, Silviu received a second Rufford Small Grant for the project to assess the protected amphibian species status and habitats in the Semenic Mountains – Caras Gorges National Park, Romania. In order to complete the inventory of herpetofauna that begun with the reptiles in the previous RSG.

It will be conducted through an inventory and monitoring of some target species (*Triturus cristatus*, *Triturus vulgaris*, *Salamandra salamandra*, *Bombina variegata*, *Pelobates fuscus*, *Bufo bufo*, *Hyla arborea*, *Rana dalmatina*). Special attention will be paid to a raising awareness campaign of the local population concerning the endangered species of both amphibians and reptiles existing in the National Park.