

Project Update: April 2022

With great pleasure, we would like to inform you that our 2nd Rufford Small Grant project entitled "Research of critically endangered species of European eel in Skadar Lake in Montenegro" is successfully nearing its completion with now finished final project activities.

From January 2022 to April 2022, the following activities were carried out:

- We successfully finished the filming and production of the educational short documentary video with underwater and drone footage in cooperation with representatives of the national parks of Montenegro - NP Skadar Lake, Environmental Protection Agency of Montenegro, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, Directorate of Fisheries, NGO Green Home, and Idea Wild Foundation.
- The National TV Station of Montenegro has successfully made a TV presentation of our research project and it was publically presented on the national tv programme, so the majority of people in our country have been informed of our project, for which we are most proud of.
- What makes us especially happy is that we managed to gather representatives of relevant institutions and organisations at the final project activity - our final workshop. Those representatives are very important for our future cooperation and dissemination of the results of our project. We are extremely glad that the workshop was attended by representatives of the Environmental Protection Agency - Milka Rajkovic Mitrovic, Center for Hydrometeorology and Seismology - Luka Mitrovic, Professor of Hydrobiology at the Faculty of Science, University of Montenegro, Department of Biology - Jelena Rakocovic, Bankvac organisation - Natasa Kovačević, NGO green home - Anastasija Lalević, our dear friends from the Natural History Museum of Montenegro - Suzana Malidžan and Snežana Dragičević, as well as our dear professor of biology - Bogić Gligorević.

We are most glad that the representative of the Skadar Lake Fishermen's Association - Nikola Vujanović, was present at the workshop. He is also working on a project with the NGO Green Home, which main focus is the protection of eels on the river Bojana. We have successfully established cooperation with him and planned our future common terrains and that is of big importance to us for our future research. Our first short educational documentary about the protection of eels in Skadar Lake and Montenegro was premiered at our final workshop, and on that occasion, we are especially glad that eminent scientists and representatives of relevant institutions participated in making of this movie, such as representatives of the national parks of Montenegro - Skadar Lake National Park, - director Aleksandar Bulatović and expert associate for fisheries - Stevan Marić, Environmental Protection Agency of Montenegro - expert associate for environmental protection - Milka Rajković Mitrović, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, Directorate of Fisheries - Director-General Katarina Burzanović and NGO Green Home - Director Azra Vuković.

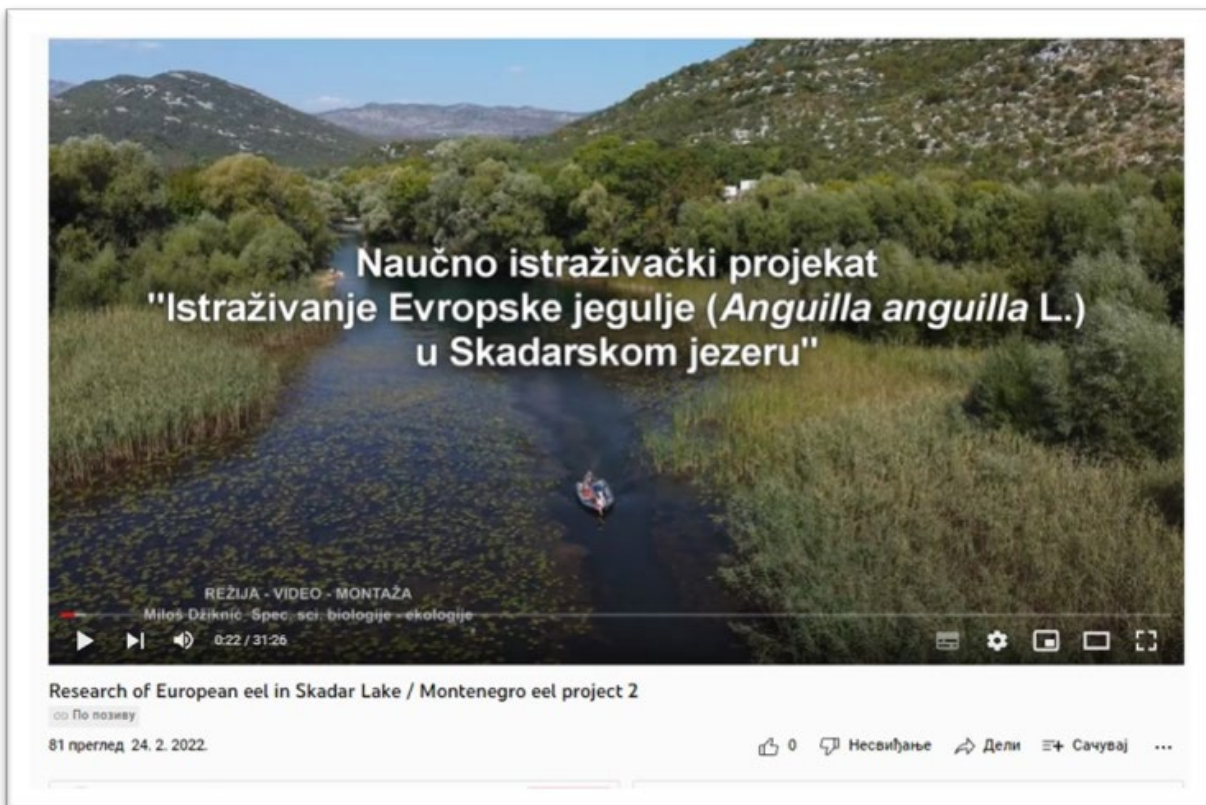
National TV Station of Montenegro (RTCG) presentation of our project:

LINK: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=1342076626255130>



Educational Documentary movie about Research of European eel in Skadar Lake and Montenegro:

LINK: <https://youtu.be/3ztLDfojiAA> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3ztLDfojiAA>



Final Workshop:



