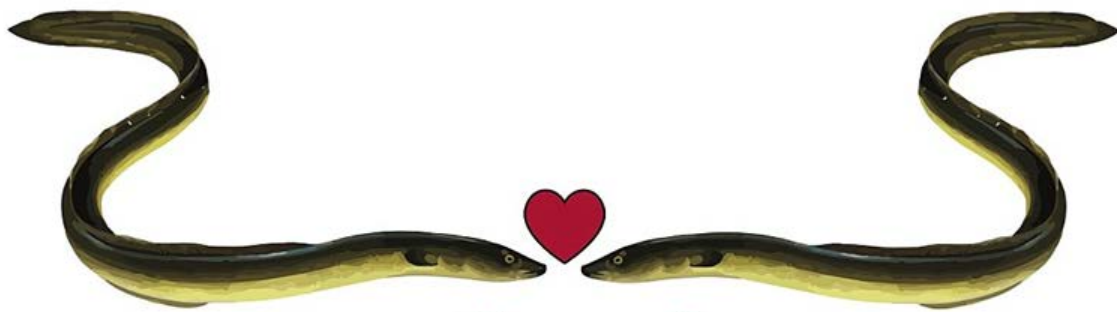


Project Update: May 2018

With great pleasure we would like to inform you that our "Montenegro eel project" has been successfully started.

From March to mid-May 2018, the following activities were carried out:

- The cooperation has been established with the Ministry of Agriculture and National Park Skadar Lake in the form of getting licenses for conducting field activities
- A logo of our project and t-shirts were designed so the project would be better identified and presented to the public



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- Due to weather conditions in March 2018 (high water levels and floods in Montenegro), the field work planned for this month were successfully held in April and May 2018.
- Cooperation with local fishermen and people from the site of Malo Blato on Skadar Lake was established.

During the first terrain due to changing weather conditions and therefore the changes in water levels, we encountered fewer problems for the catching of the eel, which we successfully overcame, thanks to the fishermen who were upgrading eel fishing nets so they can perform the better functions in selected locations that are more difficult to access due to high emerged and submerged plants and floating macrophytes and reed plants, which otherwise represent the ideal habitats of the studied species of eel. What we also experienced on the fieldwork, which particularly disappointed us, are the poachers who, despite us placing the buoys above the eel nets with clear signs of the project, stole one of them.

Considering that the problem of criminals is always difficult to solve, we plan to spend more time on the lake in the following field activities, and also the rangers of National Park of Skadar Lake will help us in solving this problem.

Despite these problems, our constant work on the field paid off and we managed to catch the first eels.

To the eel species we caught we have done the length-weight ratio and conditional factor.



Field work area: Malo Blato – Skadar Lake

Our Team members and fishermen :





Field work:





Field work area: River Moraca

