

## Summer Field School [Online] on MOUNTAIN ECOSYSTEMS AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT Ivano-Frankivsk Region, Ukraine :: 19-28 September, 2021

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<b>Highest Education</b>	MSc; PhD student
Personal Statement	As a student, I was involved in various biological fieldwork and
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	Currently, I am involved as a young scientist in two projects: "Plant
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Paper/Presentation Title	Mapping and Monitoring Invasive Plant Species to Protect Endangered
(Unpublished work)	Flora in Eco-Centre "Jezera" Bijeljina
Keywords (3-5)	Invasive flora; Protection; Endangered plants; Park-people interaction



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Abstract (100-300 words)	Eko Centre "Jezera" is located in the northeastern lowland part of
	Bosnia and Herzegovina, entity Republika Srpska, near the town of
	Bijeljina with an average altitude of 70 m. The predominant part of
	the centre is represented with marsh ecosystems, hydrophilic forests,
	few mesophilic and hydrophilic meadows as well as anthropogenic
	habitats. An increasing number of visitors and currently existing
	invasive alien species (IAS) pose a threat to endangered and
	vulnerable plant populations. The main goal of the research was to
	identify and map both invasive and endangered flora of the "Jezera"
	and develop a plan for continuous monitoring and habitat
	conservation. The original phytocoenological research was conducted
	in the late spring of 2021. The exact location of each invasive plant
	population was mapped using Garmin GPS and geological maps. As
	a reference database, the preliminary list of invasive plant species in
	Bosnia and Herzegovina was used. Endangered plants found in the
	centre are listed in the vascular flora Red list of the Republika Srpska
	entity. The nomenclature follows the Euro+Med PlantBase and The
	International Organization for Plant Information database. All
	identified IAS and endangered species are accompanied with
	Raunkier life forms: Ph-phanerophyte, Ch-chamaephyte, H-
	hemicryptophyte, G-geophyte, Hy-hydrophyte, T-therophyte. Out of
	78 plants identified in "Jezera" at the time of research, 5 (6.41%) were
	IAS: Ailanthus altissima (Mill.) Swingle. (Ph), Amorpha fruticosa L.
	(Ch), Asclepias syriaca L. (H), Fallopia japonica Hout. (G), Robinia
	pseudoacacia L. (Ph). The abundance and cover in the
	phytocoenological recordings varied from <5% ( <i>A. syriaca</i> ) to 50% ( <i>F.</i>
	<i>japonica</i> ). Three identified species from the vascular flora Red
	list, Orchis militaris L. (G), Nymphea alba L. (Hy), Nuphar lutea L. (Hy)
	were found on the separated locations. In order to complete data, we
	intend to repeat the observations throughout the whole vegetational
	season and install the plot monitoring.
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