ÁGNES VÁRI, PHD 05/11/2021

SUMMARY OF PROFESSION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Ecosystem services assessments (stakeholder & participatory workshops, statistical and GIS models)
- Focus on aquatic environment
- Strong background in aquatic and terrestrial vegetation sciences
- International & interdisciplinary work experience (with social sciences, remote sensing, economics)

EDUCATION

2007-2010:

PhD: Ecology, Graduate School for Biology at the Eötvös Loránd University (Budapest, Hungary)

Thesis: Propagation and growth of submerged macrophytes in Lake Balaton (2012)

2000-2005:

Diploma: Biology with main subject Applied Ecology (Limnology and Plant Ecology), Technische Universität München, Germany

Thesis: Population structure, mobility and choice of habitat of the grasshopper Poecilimon brunneri in the Gödöllő hills, Hungary

- 2002-2003: two terms abroad at the Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest, scholarship of the Hungarian Scholarship Board (MÖB)
- 2005: scholarship of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) for the finishing of final thesis' abroad (5 months)

WORK EXPERIENCE AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

12/2014-now:

Research fellow, Ecosystem Services Working Group, Institute of Ecology and Botany, Centre for Ecological Research, Vácrátót, Hungary

- Hungarian National Ecosystem Services Mapping and Assessment project (NÖSZTÉP, KEHOP, 2017-2021) www.termeszetem.hu/hu/okoszisztema-szolgaltatasok
 - coordinator of the Hydrology working group; managing national experts & synthetizing expert knowledge for national level ecosystem service assessment
- "Eco Karst Ecosystem services of karst protected areas driving force of local sustainable development" (Interreg Danube Transnational Program, 2017-2019) http://www.interreg-danube.eu/approved-projects/eco-karst
 - o developing methods & organizing methodological workshops for project partners
 - helpdesk for assessment of selected ecosystem services in protected areas
- "Mapping and Assessment Ecosystem Services in Natura 2000 sites of the Niraj -Târnava Mică region" (EEA grant, 2015-1017) http://www.milvus.ro/ecoservices/index.php/en/
 - a regional ES assessment in a traditional agricultural lowland landscape in Eastern Romania
 - workshops for transferring local experts' knowledge on traditional management and on ecosystem services
- "OpenNESS Operationalisation of Natural Capital and Ecosystem Services: From Concepts to real-world Applications" (FP7, 2014-2017) www.openness-project.eu
 - o participatory & GIS workshops for assessing regional ecosystem services
 - o statistical analysis of ecosystem services; analysis of social media for different usage aspects

09/2013-11/2014: parental leave

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07/2013-08/2013:

Freelancer, environmental planning consultancy YGGDRASILDiemer, Berlin, Germany

• Vegetation mapping & monitoring, assessing Natura 2000 habitats in the Spree floodplains

06/2012-06/2013:

Experienced researcher (Marie Curie fellow) - Change Habitats 2 "Network for Habitat Monitoring by Airborne-supported Field work – An innovative and effective process in implementation of the Habitat Directive" (Marie Curie IAPP, 2012-2013) https://changehabitats.eu/index.php/home

- Collecting field data and analysing remote-sensed data (by Airborne Laser Scanning)
- GIS and statistical analyses (exploratory & multivariate analyses, boosted regression trees)

02/2011-06/2012: parental leave

09/2006-02/2011:

Assistant research fellow, Balaton Limnological Institute, Ecological Research Centre, Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Tihany, Hungary

- Vegetation mapping by remote sensing of littoral vegetation collection of ground-truth data
- Influencing factors on the stability of a fish biomanipulated lake: assessment of epiphyte growth on artificial substrates in the Kis-Balaton Water Protection Reservoir
- Vegetative propagation mechanisms and colonisation ability of different macrophyte species in Lake Balaton

2010:

Plant ecologist freelancer: EU Water Framework Directive assessments of macrophytic vegetation in Western Hungary

LANGUAGES

Hungarian: native speakerGerman: native speaker

• English: C2 (Certificate of Proficiency in English, Cambridge Institute)