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Project title:

Variability of mire vegetation on a European scale

• Brief description of aims and methods of the study:

The main aim is to conduct a large-scale analysis and syntaxonomical overview of mires in Europe on the basis of phytosociological relevés from national or regional databases and our own data. We want (1) to delimit main vegetation types (alliances) using semi-supervised classification methods, (2) to develop formal definitions of individual vegetation types to establish a consistent classification of European mires and (3) to describe the species composition and to characterize the habitat and distribution of particular vegetation types. Further, special attention will be given to calcareous and rich fens (alliances *Caricion davallianae, Sphagno warnstorfii-Tomentypnion nitentis* or related communities).

- Will someone else be involved in data editing or analysis in addition to the applicant?
   Tomáš Peterka (peterkatomasek@seznam.cz), a PhD student at Masaryk University, working under supervision of Michal Hájek, and Martin Jiroušek
   (jirousek@mendelu.cz), young researcher at Masaryk University and Mendel
   University in Brno, will perform data filtering, analysis, interpretation of result and will participate in paper writing.
- Estimated time of delivery of results (e.g. manuscript submission):
   A manuscript on fen syntaxonomy (alliances) to be submitted in 2016
   A manuscript on bog syntaxonomy (alliances) to be submitted in 2017
   A manuscript on variability of the alliance of *Sphagno-Tomentypnion* to be submitted in 2018 or earlier



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- Geographic area needed (e.g. countries or range of geographic coordinates): Europe
- Vegetation types needed (syntaxa):
   Phytosociological classes:
   Scheuchzerio palustris-Caricetea nigrae, Oxycocco-Sphagnetea
- Other data selection criteria:
   A selection of relevés not assigned to syntaxa by using "typical mire" species will be required. The list of target species will be provided.
- Envisaged publications:
   2-4 articles in vegetation journals.
- Specification of the co-authorship arrangements in publications based on the requested data (e.g. the extent of possible involvement of the original data providers, or of EVA data managers if extra work for this project is needed from them):
   Michal Hájek, Martin Jiroušek and Tomáš Peterka will be lead authors of planned

Michal Hajek, Martin Jirousek and Tomás Peterka will be lead authors of planned publications. Co-authorship will be offered to a representative of each vegetation database that will be represented by at least 5% in final dataset of fen/bog relevés (i.e. after data filtering, geographical and other stratification) or fewer if they are from vegetation types or regions with general lack of data. Scientists who provide their unpublished data or specific analyses, will be co-authors as well.

We agree with the terms of EVA Data Property and Governance Rules as approved on 26 May 2012 (<u>http://euroveg.org/download/eva-rules.pdf</u>).

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