



# European Vegetation Archive Data Request Form



To obtain data from the European Vegetation Archive (EVA), including the ReSurveyEurope Database, please first enquire the EVA database administrator Ilona Knollová (ikuzel@sci.muni.cz) whether the data that meet your needs are available. If they are, please fill in the form below and submit it to Ilona or another member of the EVA Coordinating Board (or ReSurveyEurope Board if you ask for data from the ReSurveyEurope Database).

- Applicant's name:

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- Project title:

Temporal dynamics of plant diversity in response to productivity change

- Are you asking for core EVA data (non-repeated vegetation surveys) or for ReSurveyEurope data (repeated vegetation surveys)?

ReSurveyEurope

- Brief description of the aims and methods of the study:

We hypothesize that temporal changes in diversity are linked to both initial productivity levels and temporal trends in productivity. Specifically, we will test whether increases in productivity over last decades (e.g., driven by nitrogen deposition, management cessation) influence diversity of plant communities, with the direction of change dependent on baseline productivity. At low-productivity sites, rising productivity is expected to promote increases in species richness over time. In contrast, at high-productivity sites, further increases in productivity may reduce richness as a result of intensified competitive exclusion. We will address this question using time series from the ReSurveyEurope database. Productivity will be estimated using two complementary approaches: (i) a structural proxy based on species height weighted by their relative cover, and (ii) Ellenberg indicator values analysed within a standardized effect size framework. This project will form part of Karolína Havlíková's PhD thesis.

- Will someone else be involved in data editing or analysis in addition to the applicant?

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- Estimated time of delivery of results (e.g., manuscript submission):

2 years

- Geographic area needed (e.g., countries or range of geographic coordinates):

All, except Russia and Turkey

- Do you need plots to be georeferenced? If so, what is the minimum accuracy of plot location (in metres or kilometres) needed for your project?

Plots need to be georeferenced and have minimum accuracy (coordinate uncertainty) of 5000 meters. However, we also want to include plots with missing coordinate uncertainty.

- Vegetation types needed (syntaxa):

All

- Other data selection criteria:

No

- Envisaged publications:

Maximum two scientific articles in international journals focused on global change ecology

- **Data deposition.** Some journals require data used for the analysis to be stored in a public repository to ensure the repeatability of the analysis. According to EVA Rules, you are not allowed to store the original vegetation-plot data obtained from EVA. However, if you plan to publish in such a journal, you may deposit a reduced EVA-derived dataset that (1) would make it possible to repeat the analysis published in the paper and (2) does not contain any information not used in the analysis. For example, such a dataset can contain only a subset of species (e.g., only angiosperms or only neophytes), or replace species names with codes, or replace species cover values with presences/absences, or remove all the header data, or replace the exact plot coordinates by coarse grid-cell coordinates etc. If you plan to deposit reduced information from vegetation plots, please describe here what might be deposited. If the project developed so that you needed to deposit more information than specified here, you would need to ask specific permission from the Custodians of the EVA databases used in your analysis before the dataset is deposited.

I will not store the original relevé data. However, minimum information or derived data that allows reproducibility of the main analyses will be shared.

- **Plant trait data from the TRY consortium.** If you plan to combine your analysis of vegetation-plot data with plant trait data, you can also request a dataset of 18 gap-filled traits for a large number of plant taxa prepared by the TRY consortium. These traits include Leaf area, Specific leaf area, Leaf fresh mass, Leaf dry matter content, Leaf C, Leaf N, Leaf P, Leaf N per area, Leaf N:P ratio, Leaf delta15N, Seed mass, Seed length, Seed number per reproductive unit, Dispersal unit length, Plant height, Stem specific density, Stem conduit density, and Conduit element length. This dataset can be provided to you by the EVA manager together with the vegetation-plot data. If you use this dataset, you must inform about your project the TRY data contributors who might be potentially interested and invite them as potential co-authors, assuming they will make an intellectual contribution to your paper. The list of the TRY data contributors will be sent to you together with the gap-filled trait dataset.

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- Specification of the co-authorship arrangements in publications based on the requested data. Note that the EVA Rules recommend that co-authorship is offered to a representative of each database providing data that are particularly important for the project (e.g., a relatively large proportion of the final dataset used in the analyses or data from unique vegetation types or under-represented geographic areas). This database representative should be an expert in the topic of the project (not necessarily the custodian or deputy custodian), and this person should contribute to the project more than just by providing the existing data, e.g. by intellectual contribution to the concept of the paper, preparation of new data, or helping with data analysis, interpretation of the results or writing parts of the paper (see the IAVS Code of Professional Ethics: [https://www.iavs.org/page/governance\\_code-of-professional-ethics](https://www.iavs.org/page/governance_code-of-professional-ethics)). The project leader should enable active participation by regularly informing potential co-authors about the progress of the project from its early stage. The project leader should also make final co-authorship arrangements based on the real input of the individual contributors.

One representative of each EVA database (custodian or a person delegated by the custodian) will be considered as a co-author provided the custodian expresses interest in this project by filling in the EVA online form and the database provides > 2% of the final number of plots or fewer data from biogeographically important regions that are not represented in other databases. Co-authors will be asked to provide intellectual input in the interpretation of the results and commenting on the manuscript. All the other data contributors (custodians) of EVA will be acknowledged in the resulting publication.

- Eligibility of the applicant to receive EVA or ReSurveyEurope data. Specify to which EVA or ReSurveyEurope database the applicant has contributed; if the applicant is not the custodian or deputy custodian of an EVA or ReSurveyEurope database, give a name of a custodian or deputy custodian who supports this data request.

This data request is supported by Milan Chytrý, the Custodian of the Czech National Phytosociological Database (EU-CZ-001).

- I agree with the terms of EVA Data Property and Governance Rules as approved on 26 May 2012 (<http://euroveg.org/download/eva-rules.pdf>).
- If I ask for ReSurveyEurope data, I agree with the terms of ReSurveyEurope Data Property and Governance Rules as approved on 6 April 2022 (<http://euroveg.org/download/resurveyeurope-rules.pdf>).
- In any result obtained based on EVA core data (non-repeated vegetation surveys), I will cite the EVA report article (Chytrý et al. 2016; <https://doi.org/10.1111/avsc.12191>). In any result obtained based on the ReSurveyEurope data (repeated vegetation surveys), I will cite the ReSurveyEurope report article as soon as it is published. In addition, I will cite individual source databases used in my project (if possible, in the list of References; if not possible, at least as a list of databases in the electronic supplementary material).
- If I ask for the plant trait data from TRY, I agree to invite to my project the TRY data contributors following the list received from the EVA database manager.

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