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WORK EXPERIENCE

2023 – ongoing | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Teaching Assistant (Botany and Ecology)

University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Science, Department of Biology

- Teaching assistant in the following courses: Ecological Engineering, Cell Biology, Urban Ecology, Social Ecology, Global Ecology, Environmental Microbiology, Microbiology of the Environment, Human Ecology and Environmental Protection, Biogeography.
- In addition to teaching responsibilities, engaged in writing and managing projects in the field of environmental protection and monitoring.

2020 (part time); 2021 – 2023 (part time) | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Environmental Consultant

ENOVA d.o.o. Sarajevo

- Biodiversity expert and junior consultant on ESIA and nature-conservation projects financed by international financial institutions (EBRD, EIB, World Bank) and UN agencies (see Projects).
- Previously (before 2020) engaged in projects as an expert on invertebrate and vertebrate fauna and in the execution of project tasks.

2020 – 2021 | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Biochemist

Health Center Kumrovac, Sarajevo

- Worked during the COVID-19 pandemic; main responsibilities included the triage of COVID-19 patients and on-site laboratory work for infected patients, worked in the hematology and biochemistry department in the laboratory.
- Laboratory work after the lockdown (haematology and biochemistry section of the laboratory).

2019 – 2020 | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Research Assistant (Laboratory Assistant)

INGEB – Institute for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, GENOFOND-based projects

- Worked on projects in the field of molecular biology: DNA extraction, PCR and Sanger sequencing.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2023 – ongoing

Doctoral studies – PhD in Ecology

University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Science

- Dissertation topic: Reproductive biology of species of the community of the order *Halacsyetalia sendtneri* Ritter-Studnička 1970 in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Field of PhD: Ecology and Pollination biology

2019

Master of Biology – Ecology

University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Science

- Master's thesis: Diverzitet pčela poluotoka Klek (Hymenoptera: Apidae) [Diversity of bees of the Klek peninsula (Hymenoptera: Apidae)].

2018

Bachelor of Biology – Ecology

University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Science

- Bachelor's thesis: Biodiverzitet roda *Zygaena* Fabricius, 1775 šire okoline Sarajeva (Lepidoptera: Zygaenidae) [Biodiversity of the genus *Zygaena* Fabricius, 1775 in the wider area of Sarajevo (Lepidoptera: Zygaenidae)].

3 – 11 April 2025

Erasmus+ staff mobility (KA171)

Czech University of Life Sciences Prague – Faculty of Environmental Sciences, Czech Republic

- Visit to the research group of Assoc. Prof. Zhongbing Chen (constructed wetlands for wastewater treatment); attended the Master's course Wetland Conservation and Management; discussions on student and staff exchange and joint research project applications.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Bosnian / Croatian / Serbian

Other language(s):

	LISTENING	READING	SPOKEN PRODUCTION	SPOKEN INTERACTION	WRITING
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
German	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages).

SKILLS

Research and environmental policy skills

- Experience in field research of biological diversity (expert in invertebrates, bats and botany).
- 12 years of demonstrated experience in invertebrate research.
- 7 years of experience in researching pollinators, with a focus on solitary bees and bumblebees.
- Experience in projects funded by international financial institutions (EBRD, EIB and WB).
- Practical and theoretical knowledge of conservation methods through the application of EBRD Performance Requirement 6 (practical knowledge of the EBRD Environmental and Social Performance Requirements).
- Practical knowledge of IFC Performance Standards, World Bank ESSs and EIB Environmental and Social Standards.

Laboratory and molecular skills

- Practical and theoretical knowledge of molecular methodologies for DNA identification of species (DNA extraction, PCR, Sanger sequencing, DNA barcoding).

Digital skills

- Practical knowledge of QGIS (habitat mapping).

PROJECTS

2025 – ongoing | Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Inventory of vascular flora of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Position: Flora expert, project associate

Employer / reference: University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Science; Samir Đug, project coordinator (samirdjug@pmf.unsa.ba)

Client / financier: Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism

Project description: Field inventory of the vascular flora of the Federation of B&H, resulting in a final database of floristic records and distribution maps.

Role and activities:

- Field survey of vascular flora in assigned survey areas, collection and identification of plant material.
- Entry and verification of floristic records in the project database.
- Preparation of reports on the work of all project experts.

2024 – ongoing | Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia

Horizon Europe project "Stone monument ensembles and the climate change impact" (STECCI), Grant No. 101094822

Position: Molecular biologist – team member

Employer / reference: University of Sarajevo – Faculty of Science; Nusret Drešković, project coordinator (nusret.dreskovic@pmf.unsa.ba)

Client / financier: European Union (Horizon Europe)

Project description: Project duration: 1 September 2023 – 31 August 2027; coordinated by the University of Sarajevo, with partners from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Austria, Croatia, France, Germany, Malta, Montenegro and Serbia. The purpose of the project task is to determine whether the species growing on the stone monuments (stećci) have a long-term harmful

effect on them. The collected data will be used to develop a conservation plan alongside the existing basic conservation methods.

Role and activities:

- Field research and collection of biological samples from stećci.
- Molecular analysis of the collected samples (DNA extraction).
- Co-author of project deliverable D2.2 “The spatial-temporal distribution data base and modelling of selected air pollution impact within the selected STECCI case study” (2025).

2024 – 2025 | Kakanj, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Space for Nature – conservation of biodiversity in the Ribnica quarry, Kakanj

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: Quarry Ribnica (Heidelberg Materials); Almir Bajtarević, Quality & Environmental Manager (almir.bajtarevic@heidelbergmaterials.com)

Client / financier: Quarry Ribnica, Kakanj

Project description: Biodiversity study assessing all habitats within the quarry, defining the habitats (15% of the area) that will be preserved until 2030.

Role and activities:

- Writing the biodiversity study.
- Flora and habitat field survey.
- GIS mapping of the permanent and temporary habitats included in the preserved 15% of the area.

2024 – ongoing | Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Biodiversity assessment for the factory “Magnezij” d.o.o., Mostar

Position: External collaborator – biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: “ZagrebInspekt” d.o.o.; Sanda Zorić (tel. +387 36 334 280)

Client / financier: Magnezij d.o.o., Mostar

Project description: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the factory, including critical habitat assessment and biodiversity management and action planning.

Role and activities:

- Writing the Critical Habitat Assessment.
- Writing the Biodiversity Management Plan and Biodiversity Action Plan.
- Contributing to the biodiversity chapters of the ESIA.

2023 – ongoing | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for the Poklečani Wind Farm

Position: External collaborator – biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: “ZagrebInspekt” d.o.o.; Sanda Zorić (tel. +387 36 334 280)

Client / financier: EIB (European Investment Bank)

Project description: ESIA for the Poklečani Wind Farm, prepared in line with the EIB Environmental and Social Standards, including the biodiversity management framework for the wind farm.

Role and activities:

- Communication with the Bank regarding the implementation of the environmental plan for WF Poklečani.
- Writing the Critical Habitat Assessment, the Biodiversity Management Plan and the Biodiversity Action Plan.
- Writing parts of the ESIA (biodiversity chapters).
- Reviewing field survey reports of experts and communicating with flora and fauna experts.
- Drafting parts of the Terms of Reference (ToR) for experts and aligning documentation throughout the project’s progress.
- Assisting the Bank team in defining the criterion for High Value Biodiversity in line with the IUCN methodology, implemented in the project as an additional criterion.

2023 – ongoing | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for the Planik Wind Farm

Position: Biodiversity expert; junior consultant

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: ESIA for the Planik Wind Farm, prepared in line with the EBRD Environmental and Social Performance Requirements.

Role and activities:

- Preparation of the technical sections of the documents.
- Preparation of the study “Collision Risk Assessment for Mammals (Large Game) and Bats”.

2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for the Planik Solar Park

Position: Biodiversity expert; junior consultant

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: ESIA for the Planik Solar Park, prepared in line with the EBRD Environmental and Social Performance Requirements.

Role and activities:

- Preparation of the technical sections of the documents.
- Preparation of the study “Collision Risk Assessment for Mammals (Large Game) and Bats”.

February 2021 – 2023 | Kosovo

Project of the Roundabout Priština – Feasibility Study and Conceptual Design

Position: Biodiversity expert; junior consultant

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: Sweco Danmark for the EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: The project will improve road infrastructure and services around Priština, facilitating the flow of passengers and goods and reducing transportation costs.

Role and activities:

- Coordination of local biodiversity experts.
- Preparation of the environmental and biodiversity protection components.
- Contribution to the Options Analysis, Scoping Reports, ESIA studies and accompanying documents within the Disclosure Package.

November 2020 – 2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Expert Study for the Declaration of a Protected Area Category V – Protected Landscape Vjetrenica – Popovo Polje

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); beneficiary: Ministry of Spatial Planning

Project description: Preparation of a valuation study for the natural areas of the Vjetrenica landscape.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field surveys.
- Assisting in the preparation of the expert study and its technical sections.
- Proposing climate change mitigation measures.

July 2020 – 2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Valuation of Ornithological Values of Mount Zvijezda for IBA Area Nomination

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: Environmental Protection Fund of FBiH

Project description: Preparation of a study for the valuation of Mount Zvijezda, nominating it as an IBA (Important Bird Area).

Role and activities:

- Communication with fauna experts and the client.
- Reviewing field survey documents.
- Writing the study.
- Organising workshops for the Fund.

June 2020 – 2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Corridor Vc, Mostar North – Mostar South – Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Study

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: ESIA for the category A project Corridor Vc, subsection Mostar North – Mostar South.

Role and activities:

- Managing biodiversity field surveys and preparing project activities.
- Drafting technical and non-technical sections of the document and writing parts of the ESIA study.
- Reviewing expert reports for quality assurance and communicating with experts.

May 2020 – November 2020 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Corridor Vc, Mostar South – Kvanj Tunnel Update – Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Study

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: ESIA update for the category A project Corridor Vc, subsection Mostar South – Kvanj Tunnel.

Role and activities:

- Implementation of EBRD PR 6 requirements.
- Biodiversity field surveys and preparation of project activities.
- Preparation of technical and non-technical sections of the document and writing the study.

January 2020 – 2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Valuation Study / Expert Study for the Designation of the Protected Area Čemerska Mountain and the Canyon of the Misoča River

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); beneficiary: Ministry of Spatial Planning

Project description: Preparation of a valuation study for the natural areas of Čemerska Mountain and the Canyon of the Misoča River.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field surveys and implementation of project activities.
- Preparation of the study.
- Communication with the client and experts.

2020 – 2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Mediterranean Corridor, Vc Road BiH – Croatia Interconnection, Subsection Konjic (Ovčari) – Prenj Tunnel – Mostar North: Deficiency Analysis and ESIA Package

Position: Biodiversity expert; junior consultant

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: COWI / IPF (financed by the EBRD – European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: Environmental and social due diligence for the EBRD for the Corridor Vc project, subsection Konjic (Ovčari) – Prenj Tunnel – Mostar North.

Role and activities:

- Preparation of the ESIA package for public disclosure (ESIA study, ESAP, ESMMP, BMP, NTS) – biodiversity components.
- Analysis of project documentation and evaluation of the project in terms of ecological efficiency.
- Deficiency analysis to assess compliance with local and EU requirements.

August 2019 | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

BioBlitz Bentbaša

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: Bio.Log; Dejan Kulijer, project moderator (+387 62 712 541, dejan.kulijer@gmail.com)

Client / financier: Ministry of Environment and Tourism

Project description: Rapid (48-hour) biodiversity survey of the protected landscape Bentbaša by a team of experts, aimed at a species inventory of the area and the education of students and the public.

Role and activities:

- Entomological research of the protected landscape and species inventory for the area.
- Mentoring biology students.

July 2019 – February 2020 | Sarajevo Canton, Bosnia and Herzegovina

DNA barcode analysis of Trichoptera of the protected areas of Sarajevo Canton

Position: Biodiversity expert (part-time contract)

Employer / reference: INGEB; Belma Kalamujić Stroil, senior research associate, head of LMG (belma.k@gmail.com)

Client / financier: INGEB – Institute for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology

Project description: Larval samples of aquatic insects were collected from all protected areas in Sarajevo Canton to compile a list of these larvae – important indicators of water quality – and to complete the list of the unexplored aquatic insect fauna of the protected areas. DNA barcoding was used to reveal genetic diversity, link taxonomic identification with species genetics and contribute to the global DNA barcode database.

Role and activities:

- Sample collection and processing of laboratory material.

- Taxonomic identification of over 100 aquatic larvae samples.
- Preparation of material for DNA barcoding and DNA isolation.

June 2019 – July 2019 | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Environmental Protection Study for the Reconstruction of the Intersection II – Longitudinal North Road

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: Institute for Construction of Sarajevo Canton

Project description: Preparation of an Environmental Protection Study complementing the documentation of the Main Project, as the basis for obtaining a construction permit under the Law on Spatial Planning and Land Use of the Federation of B&H.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field surveys and writing field reports.
- Proposing measures to mitigate impacts on biodiversity.

May 2019 | Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

BioBlitz Trebević

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: Bio.Log; Dejan Kulijer, project moderator (+387 62 712 541, dejan.kulijer@gmail.com)

Client / financier: Ministry of Environment and Tourism

Project description: Biodiversity experts surveyed the protected landscape within 48 hours for a species inventory and data revision, combined with the education of students and the wider public.

Role and activities:

- Entomological research of the protected landscape.
- Mentor of the entomological group.
- Identification of material in laboratory conditions.

March 2019 – 2023 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Expert Report for the Declaration of a Protected Area Category VI – Protected Area of Mount Zvijezda with Sustainable Use of Natural Resources

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); beneficiary: Ministry of Spatial Planning

Project description: Preparation of a valuation study for the natural areas of Mount Zvijezda.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field surveys and assisting in the preparation of the project.
- Reviewing data and setting up the baseline database for the project area.
- Finalising the report.

January 2019 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

DNA isolation of green frogs

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: INGEB; Belma Kalamujić Stroil, senior research associate, head of LMG (belma.k@gmail.com)

Client / financier: National Geographic Society

Project description: Molecular biological research on green frogs to determine the presence of subspecies – the first findings for Bosnia and Herzegovina – and to assess genetic diversity.

Role and activities:

- DNA isolation from the collected samples.

August 2018 – November 2018 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Ecological documentation for the Expressway Travnik (Nević Polje junction) – Jajce (Bravnice junction to main road M-5)

Position: Junior biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: PE Autoceste FBiH d.o.o. Mostar

Project description: Preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study for obtaining an environmental permit, and a Waste Management Plan, for the construction of the expressway.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field research.
- Writing the report and proposing biodiversity mitigation measures.

January 2018 – November 2019 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Diversity of wild bees in endemic plant communities of the Western Balkans

Position: Biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: Adi Vesnić, project moderator (+387 61 897 848, vesni.adi@gmail.com)

Client / financier: National Geographic Society

Project description: Analysis of bee diversity in endemic plant communities and revision of invertebrate biodiversity data in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field research.
- Writing and implementing the Action Plan prepared as part of the project activities plan.

June 2017 – July 2017 | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Supplementary Biodiversity Assessment – Corridor Vc in BiH – Part 3

Position: Junior biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)

Project description: Additional rapid biodiversity assessment of the highway sections LOT 2 and LOT 3, assisting the Bank and the Company (JP Autoceste FBiH) in ensuring compliance with national law, EBRD PR 6 and good international practice in biodiversity conservation and management.

Role and activities:

- Assisting the senior biodiversity expert in surveying the ornithofauna of the project site.
- Selecting appropriate mitigation measures.

April 2017 – August 2018 | Sarajevo region, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Evaluation and promotion of the biodiversity of the endemic flora of the Sarajevo region through research excursions

Position: Member of the project organisation team

Employer / reference: Erna Karalija, project moderator (+387 63 892 706, erna.karalija@gmail.com)

Client / financier: The Rufford Foundation (Rufford Small Grant)

Project description: Assessment of the populations of endemic plants and of anthropogenic pressures on them, together with conservation strategies; many endemics occur in the alpine zone, so the impact of global warming on snow cover was also assessed.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity field research.
- Recording endemic plant populations and the anthropogenic pressures affecting them during research excursions.
- Participation in the organisation of research excursions and promotion of project results.

March 2017 – August 2017 | Neum – Stolac, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP), including baseline data, for the road section Neum – Stolac

Position: Junior biodiversity expert

Employer / reference: ENOVA Consultants and Engineers; Fethi Silajdžić, Director (+387 33 279 100, info@enova.ba)

Client / financier: World Bank

Project description: Preparation of the ESMP for specific locations, following the World Bank Operational Policy OP 4.01 on Environmental Assessment and the guidelines for Category A projects.

Role and activities:

- Biodiversity research of sites along the road corridor for all protected or endangered species.
- Compiling the site survey report and proposing mitigation measures.

August 2016 | Stolac, Bosnia and Herzegovina

VI International Biological Camp Stolac 2016

Position: Project leader and organiser

Employer / reference: Association of Biology Students in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Client / financier: GIZ – Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit

Project description: Gathering biodiversity experts to collect data on the biodiversity hotspot Stolac (Mediterranean region), listing species important for the EU and documenting important areas.

Role and activities:

- Project implementation and coordination of activities.

October 2015 – November 2018 (part time) | Bosnia and Herzegovina

Association of Biology Students in Bosnia and Herzegovina – association projects

Position: Vice President of the Association; biodiversity research associate

Employer / reference: Association of Biology Students in Bosnia and Herzegovina

Client / financier: U.S. Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina (international biological camps)

Project description: Work on the Association's projects, including international biological camps.

Role and activities:

- Administrative tasks and preparation of project proposals.
- IX International Biological Camp, Eco Center "Jezera" (Bijeljina): leading the entomology group and researching bee diversity.
- VIII International Biological Camp Kozara and Una: contact and communication with financiers; coordination activities.

PUBLICATIONS

Scientific papers

1. Vesnić, A., Mušović, A., **Smailagić, L.** & Kulijer, D. (2019): Leaf litter ant fauna in *Quercus petraea* and *Quercus robur* forests in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Hymenoptera: Formicidae). *Naše šume* 17 (56/57): 5–11.
2. Vesnić, A. & **Smailagić, L.** (2019): New data on distribution of genus *Zygaena* Fabricius, 1775 in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Lepidoptera: Zygaenidae). *Geografski pregled* 40: 101–108.
3. Vesnić, A. & **Smailagić Vesnić, L.** (2023): Diversity and distribution of genus *Amegilla* Friese, 1897 in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Hymenoptera: Apoidea). *Annals of the Institute of Biology* 45: 9–20. https://doi.org/10.35666/2831-0705.2023.45.9
4. Boškailo, A., Boškailo, S., **Smailagić Vesnić, L.** & Medar, A. (2024): Contribution to understanding the distribution of the species *Campanula austroadriatica* D. Lakušić & Kovačić in Bosnia and Herzegovina. *Annals of the Institute of Biology* 46: 1–9. https://doi.org/10.35666/2831-0705.2024.46.1
5. Vesnić, A., **Smailagić-Vesnić, L.**, Mušović, A. & Kulijer, D. (2024): Diversity and distribution of genus *Ceratina* Latreille, 1802 in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Hymenoptera: Apidae). *Works of the Faculty of Agriculture and Food Sciences, University of Sarajevo* 74 (1): 40–50. https://doi.org/10.67407/rppf.2024.1.40
6. Mušović, A., **Smailagić Vesnić, L.**, Šljuka, S., Vesnić, A., Gajević, M., Pilić, S. & Đug, S. (2025): Native distribution, introductions and risk screening of *Sander lucioperca* (Linnaeus, 1758) in the freshwater ecosystems of Bosnia and Herzegovina. *Croatian Journal of Fisheries* 83 (1): 1–8. https://doi.org/10.2478/cjf-2025-0001
7. Carion, F., Bogusch, P., **Smailagić Vesnić, L.**, Vesnić, A. & Michez, D. (2026): Hidden biological richness of the Balkans: discovery of *Ammobatoides abdominalis* (Eversmann) and *Melitturga clavicornis* (Latreille) in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Hymenoptera: Apoidea). *Specimen Micropublications* 80. https://doi.org/10.56222/28166531.2026.80

Conference contributions

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Project reports

1. Dreško vić, N., Radulović, S., Hrelja, E., Bozidar, R., Agbaba, J., Maletić, S., Kragulj Isakovski, M., Tubić, A., Anačkov, G., Ilić, M., Radak, B., Novković, M., Ibragić, S. & **Smailagić Vesnić, L.** (2025): D2.2 The spatial-temporal distribution data base and modelling of selected air pollution impact within the selected STECCI case study. Horizon Europe project STECCI, Zenodo. https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.16789799

Theses

1. **Smailagić, L.** (2019): Diverzitet pčela poluotoka Klek (Hymenoptera: Apidae) [Diversity of bees of the Klek peninsula (Hymenoptera: Apidae)]. Master's thesis, Faculty of Science, University of Sarajevo.
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Science communication / media

- Featured (with Adi Vesnić) in: Hartley, G. (2026): Putting Bosnia's Wild Pollinator Diversity on the Map. *Earth Island Journal*, Spring 2026.