



Final Discussion

# **6th European Dry Grassland Meeting**

Halle (Saale), 31 August – 2 September 2009

# Topics

- 1. Publication plans**
- 2. Report from the EDGG chairs**
  - Membership (Jürgen)
  - Homepage (Solvita)
  - Bulletin (Monika)
- 3. Plans/ideas for future European Dry Grassland Meetings**
- 4. Invitation to become a Working Group of the IAVS**
- 5. Future activities of EDGG?**

# Publication plans

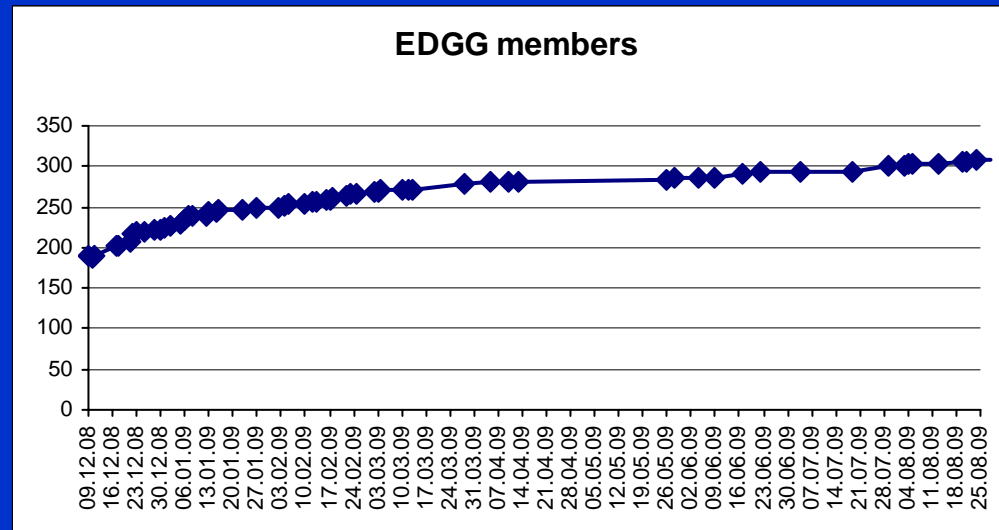
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- Deadlines: **15 October**
- **Please contact us!**

# Report

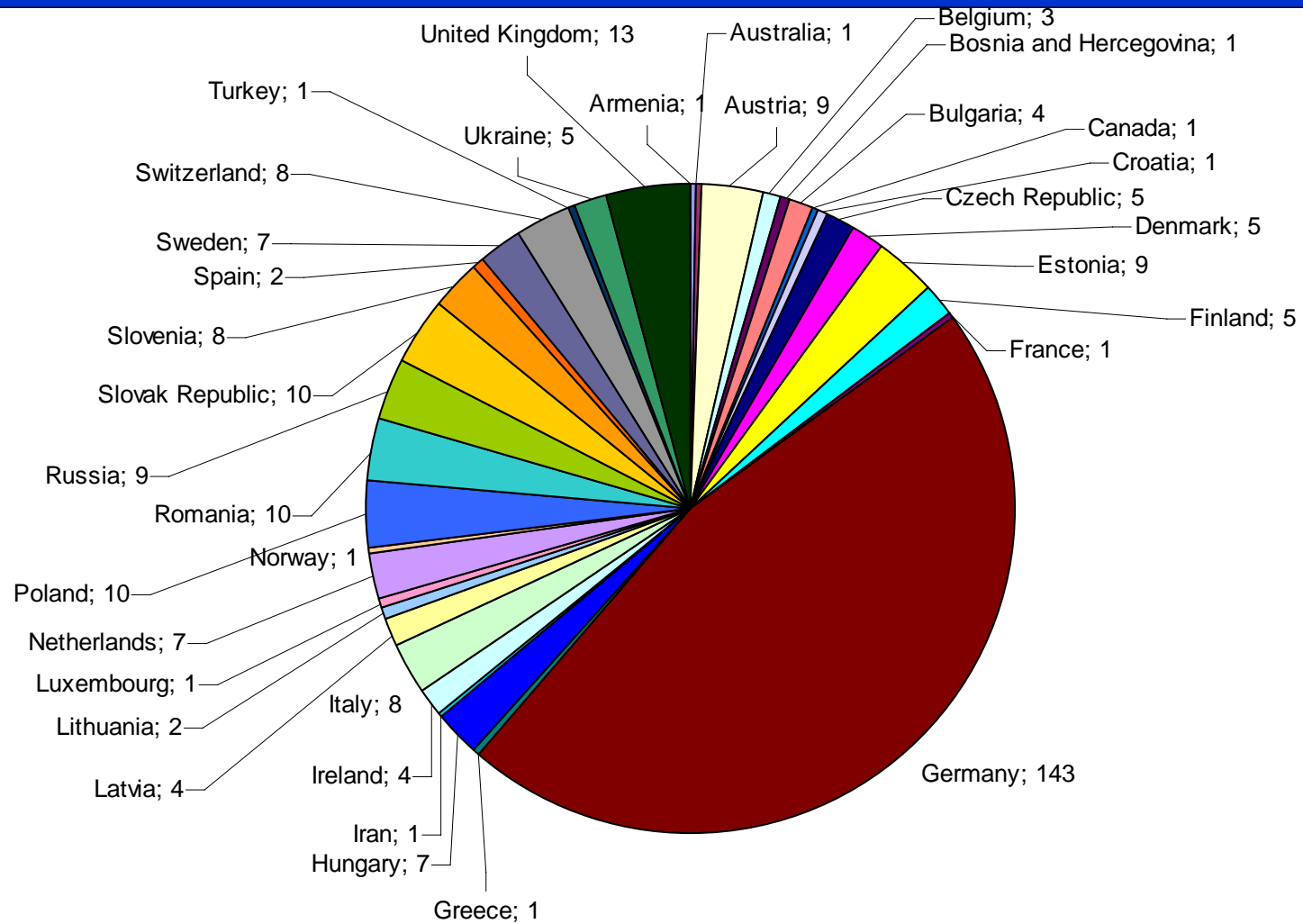
## Membership development



**Now: 308 members from 35 countries!**

# Report

## Membership development



# Membership development

Country (or dependent territory)	Continent	ISO country code	Area [km²]	Population	Rank	EDGG members (up-to-date)	Density of EDGG members	EDGG members (09-03-10)
<i>Estonia</i>	Europe	EE	45,100	1,353,000	1	9	<b>0.852</b>	6
<i>Slovenia</i>	Europe	SI	20,251	1,984,598	2	8	<b>4.031</b>	7
<i>Luxembourg</i>	Europe	LU	2,586	452,550	3	1	<b>2.210</b>	1
<i>Slovakia</i>	Europe	SK	49,035	5,393,850	4	10	<b>1.854</b>	9
<i>Latvia</i>	Europe	LV	63,700	2,293,200	5	4	<b>1.744</b>	4
<i>Germany</i>	Europe	DE	356,840	82,430,040	6	143	<b>1.735</b>	135
<i>Switzerland</i>	Europe	CH	41,285	7,183,590	7	8	<b>1.114</b>	5
<i>Austria</i>	Europe	AT	83,855	8,133,935	8	9	<b>1.106</b>	8
<i>Ireland</i>	Europe	IE	68,895	3,858,120	9	4	<b>1.037</b>	4
<i>Denmark</i>	Europe	DK	43,075	5,341,300	10	5	<b>0.936</b>	4
<i>Finland</i>	Europe	FI	337,030	5,729,510	11	5	<b>0.873</b>	5
<i>Sweden</i>	Europe	SE	440,940	9,700,680	12	7	<b>0.722</b>	7
<i>Hungary</i>	Europe	HU	93,030	9,861,180	13	7	<b>0.710</b>	6
<i>Lithuania</i>	Europe	LT	65,200	3,455,600	14	2	<b>0.579</b>	2
<i>Bulgaria</i>	Europe	BG	110,910	7,874,610	15	4	<b>0.508</b>	1
<i>Czech Republic</i>	Europe	CZ	78,864	10,252,320	16	5	<b>0.488</b>	5
<i>Romania</i>	Europe	RO	237,500	22,325,000	17	10	<b>0.448</b>	7
<i>Netherlands</i>	Europe	NL	41,160	16,134,720	18	7	<b>0.434</b>	7
<i>Armenia</i>	other	AM	29,800	3,069,400	19	1	<b>0.326</b>	1
<i>Belgium</i>	Europe	BE	30,520	10,315,760	20	3	<b>0.291</b>	3
<i>Poland</i>	Europe	PL	312,685	38,460,255	21	10	<b>0.260</b>	9
<i>Bosnia and Herzegovina</i>	Europe	BA	51,129	4,141,449	22	1	<b>0.241</b>	1
<i>Croatia</i>	Europe	HR	56,538	4,409,964	23	1	<b>0.227</b>	1
<i>Norway</i>	Europe	NO	323,758	4,532,612	24	1	<b>0.221</b>	1
<i>United Kingdom</i>	Europe	GB	244,587	59,434,641	25	13	<b>0.219</b>	10
<i>Italy</i>	Europe	IT	301,245	57,537,795	26	8	<b>0.139</b>	4
<i>Ukraine</i>	Europe	UA	603,700	48,296,000	27	5	<b>0.104</b>	5
<i>Greece</i>	Europe	GR	131,985	10,954,755	28	1	<b>0.091</b>	1
<i>Russia</i>	Europe*	RU	17,075,400	143,433,360	29	9	<b>0.063</b>	5
<i>Australia</i>	other	AU	7,692,024	19,999,262	30	1	<b>0.050</b>	1
<i>Spain</i>	Europe	ES	504,790	40,887,990	31	2	<b>0.049</b>	1
<i>Canada</i>	other	CA	9,922,385	31,751,632	32	1	<b>0.031</b>	1
<i>France</i>	Europe	FR	543,965	60,380,115	33	1	<b>0.017</b>	1
<i>Iran</i>	other	IR	1,648,000	69,216,000	34	1	<b>0.014</b>	1
<i>Turkey</i>	Europe*	TR	779,450	71,709,400	35	1	<b>0.014</b>	1

# Report

Homepage (Solvita Rusina):

[www.edgg.org](http://www.edgg.org)

# Report

## Bulletin of the European Dry Grassland Group (Monika Janisova):



### Bulletin 2 (2009)

of the  
European Dry Grassland Group



*Dear colleagues,*


since the publishing of the first issue of our Bulletin the number of members of the European Dry Grassland Group has increased substantially. Many of you sent us positive responses and contacted us with your own contributions. Thank you for that. This positive feedback stimulates us to continue in our activities, and here we offer you the second Bulletin issue. Please, do not overlook the relevant information on the European Dry Grassland Meeting 2009 in Halle and proposals for the logo competition. We wish you a nice time during the reading.

*Monika Janisová, Jürgen Dengler, Sofvita Růžička*

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### Bulletin 3

of the European Dry Grassland Group



**Introduction**

In this third Bulletin issue, we present you detailed information on this year's EDGG meeting, which will soon start in Halle, Germany, hoping that we will meet many of you there. Additionally, a first announcement of the EDGG meeting in Smolenice (Slovakia) in 2010 is provided. The beauty and diversity of European dry grasslands is illustrated by three contributions from our members, devoted to interesting localities in the southern Ural mountains, south-western Turkey and southern Slovakia. Finally yet importantly, we publish several reviews of relevant books focussing on dry grassland ecosystems. Note that for the first time in our Bulletin we use the winning EDGG logo designed by Anna Kuzemko. We hope that you will spend a pleasant time reading our Bulletin even during the peak of growing season.

*Monika Janisová, Jürgen Dengler, Sofvita Růžička*

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# **Future European Dry Grassland Meetings (2011 and so forth)**

**Suggestions? Wishes? Offers?**

**Offer by Dr. Anna Kuzemko, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine**

***See invitation letter!***

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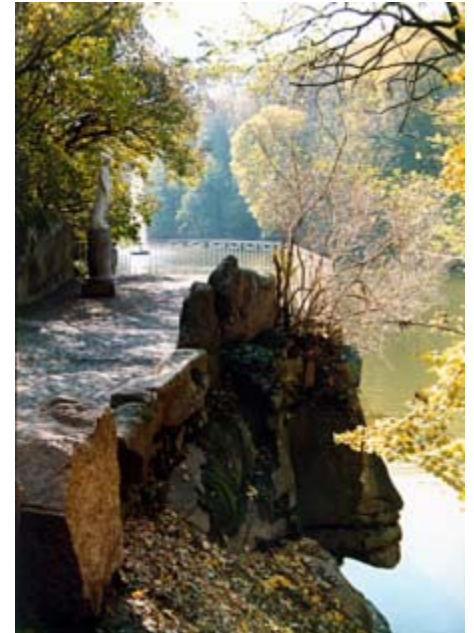
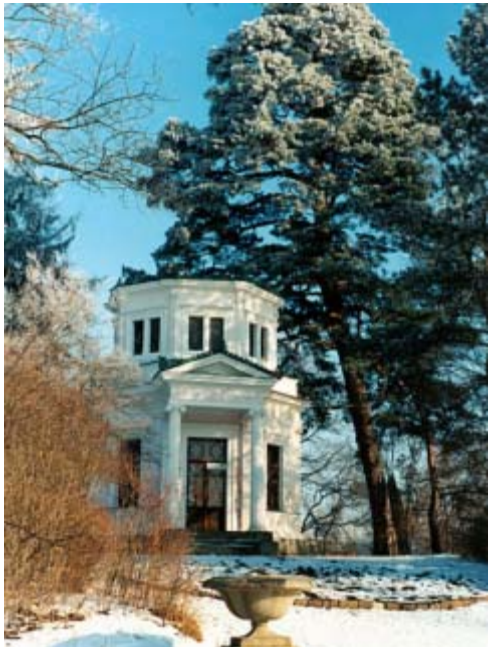
















**VALLEY OF HYRSKY TIKICH RIVER**







## VALLEY OF SOUTH BUG RIVER



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*Concerning the dates, I suppose that week after Whitsun is very good idea as to the phenological situation and the availability of the facilities in 'Sofievka'. Alternative dates may be the middle of August. Previously I thought about early in May, but May and October are the month with highest tourist traffic, thus it will be probable problems with accomodation. What do You think about 13-17 June 2011?*

**Also: Joint EDGG Field Research planned for 2010 in Central Podilia, West Ukraine:**

*With regard to our field research next year, I propose the territory of The Central Podilia. It's the area between South Bug and Dniester rivers. There are the many type of dry grassland: Festuco-Brometea, Koelerio-Coryneporetea (vegetation of granite, limestone and sandstone outcrops), Trifolio-Geranietea. Dry grassland of Central Podilia are little-studied but very varied. Such territory occupied only one administrative region, so we not to spend too much time for travelling. You can see approximate borders in the attached map.*



# Offer to become an official Working Group of the International Association for Vegetation Science (IAVS)

**Mail by Prof. R. Peet (President, IAVS)**

*Although I have not yet heard from all members of the Executive Committee, all I have heard from are enthusiastic about the European Dry Grasslands Group becoming a Working Group of IAVS. Please feel encouraged to discuss this proposal at your meeting. As indicated earlier, it is not necessary that all members of the group be members of IAVS, though we hope you will encourage membership. We would be willing to entertain suggestions for how IAVS might be supportive of your group. As with all Working Groups, we would be willing to entertain proposals for small grants to further the activities of the group. We could feature you more prominently on our website. Please suggest other ways we could be helpful to you. If you respond with a formal request for Working Group status, I will then ask Council for formal approval.*

# **Future/additional activities of EDGG**

**What should EDGG do?**

**How could EDGG serve best the needs of the members?**

**How would you like to be involved more in the activities?**

**What about zoologists?**

**What about less represented countries?**

**Joint activities?**

**How to spend money (of Floristisch-soziologische  
Arbeitsgemeinschaft and potentially IAVS)?**

**Should we establish further geographic or thematic subgroups?**

**National representatives of EDGG?**