



Editorial

Is synthesis still successful and needed?

by Marten Winter

What is the future of sDiv in the next years. See here for our revised vision and thoughts around it...

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Supporting important research in difficult times



Anna Kuzemko (Co-PI of sCaleGrassDiv) with other vegetation experts. (Photo: O. Khodosovtsev)

by Oksana Buzhdygan and Anna Kuzemko

Grasslands in Eastern Europe are super diverse but comparably little studied. Working in Ukrainian grassland has been specifically complicated in the last years...

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Recent call outcomes

Recently, the decisions for the 11th sDiv call proposals were made. Nine projects out of 28 were funded.

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Insight sDiv



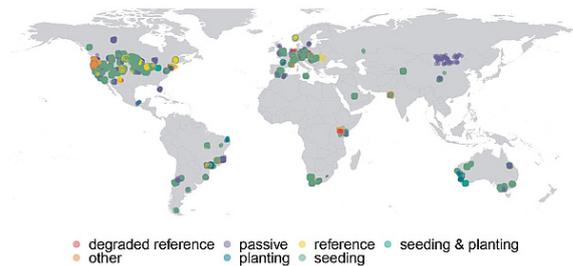
sLandServ (Photo: Jonathan R. Rhodes)

sLandServ – what makes working groups successful

by Barbara Schröter, Jean Paul Metzger, Jonathan Rhodes and Claudia Sattler

What is so special about participating in a sDiv group? What makes different researchers or stakeholders leave their comfort zone and work together in the first place? And what makes...

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sReStoReS (Figure: Emma Ladouceur)

sRestores – Restoration synthesis with student support

by Emma Ladouceur

The Global Restore Project is our effort to compile community vegetation responses to disturbance, the ending of disturbance, and active ecological restoration treatments such as seeding and planting trees. We want to...

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Upcoming events

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Mechanisms and
Quantification of Priority
Effects

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Synthesising plant
Metabolomics into
biodiversity, Life history
& Ecology

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sCaleGrassDiv II

Do the mechanisms of
land-use effects on
grassland plant
diversity depend on
spatial scales and
environmental
contexts?

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sUnderfoot II

Functional diversity of
belowground plant
strategies in a rapidly
changing world

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sILK II

Synthesizing
Indigenous and Local
Knowledge worldviews
to develop frameworks
for effective
operationalization of
relational values in
environmental
governance

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UNICOP

Unification of modern
Coexistence theory and
Price equation

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sConsume

How does biodiversity
drive disease and
herbivory in a changing
world?

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Check the dates!



Spotlight on



Roberto Rozzi (iDiv) (Photo: Roberto Rozzi)

Roberto Rozzi

by Roberto Rozzi (former sDiv postdoc)

Compiling a globally unique fossil data set and synthesizing and analyzing them at sDiv opened exciting opportunities...

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News from other synthesis centres

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by Margaret Palmer

Greetings from the National Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center (SESYNC)! While we are closed to supporting new synthesis teams, we have been busy developing open-access resources...

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Publication Highlights

For all sDiv publications please check sDiv's [google scholar page](#).

Rozzi, R. et al. (2023)
[Dwarfism and gigantism drive human-mediated extinctions on islands](#)
Science
(former sDiv postdoc Roberto Rozzi)

Cazalis, V. et al. (2023)
[Prioritizing the reassessment of data-deficient species on the IUCN Red List](#)
Conservation Biology
(sDiv working group sRedlist with project postdoc Victor Cazalis)

Martins, I. S. et al. (2023)
[Widespread shifts in body size within populations and assemblages](#)
Science
(sDiv working group sTeTra)

Carvajal-Quintero, J. et al. (2023)
[Scale of population synchrony confirms macroecological estimates of minimum viable range size](#)
Ecology Letters
(sDiv working group sYNGEO and current sDiv postdoc Juan D. Carvajal-Quintero)

Bhadra, S. et al. (2023)
[From genome size to trait evolution during angiosperm radiation](#)
Trends in Genetics
(current sDiv postdoc Sreetama Bhadra)

Keller, A. et al. (2023)
[Ten \(mostly\) simple rules to future-proof trait data in ecological and evolutionary sciences](#)
Methods in Ecology and Evolution
(sDiv working group sDevTrait)

Hallett, L. M. et al. (2023)
[Restoration ecology through the lens of coexistence theory](#)
Trends in ecology & evolution
(sDiv working group sToration)



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