



TOGETHER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Together for the Environment is a five-year activity that will improve environmental and biodiversity protection in Serbia. The activity will improve the management of protected areas - places that are conserved because of their ecological importance - and increase citizen demand for environmental protection and clean air. By helping Serbia protect its environment and involving local communities and businesses in conservation efforts, this activity contributes to USAID's overall goal of a more prosperous and democratic Serbia committed to European integration and self-reliance.

ACTIVITIES

- Conduct a critical review of the nature protection system in Serbia with a particular review of good governance and protected area management practices.
- Develop a nature management program to stimulate transformative change across the protected area management system in Serbia based on evidence and international best practice.
- Develop a Guardians of Nature Program to enable effective and tailor-made capacity development of protected area actors through high-quality training programs, mentorship, and cross-sectoral cooperation, with strong links to U.S. best practices.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Improved management capacity of protected area managers.
- Increased quality and quantity of information provided to citizens by the managers of protected areas.
- Increased knowledge sharing of best practices between Serbian nature managers and U.S. counterparts.
- Creation of sustainable biodiversity financing mechanisms.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

PROJECT FUNDING

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID/Serbia)

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

The Belgrade Open School (BOS) in consortia with: The Nature Conservancy (TNC); International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN); Young Researchers of Serbia (YRS); American Chamber of Commerce in Serbia (AmCham); and EcoNomic Expert Community Association (ENECA)

WHERE WE WORK

Nationwide

PROJECT DURATION

September 2022 – August 2027

TOTAL FUNDING

\$5,000,000

CONTACT

Mirjana Jovanović E-mail: <u>mirjana.jovanovic@bos.rs</u> Belgrade open school, Bulevar oslobođenja 177 Phone: +381 11 3065 800 Website: <u>https://zazivotnusredinu.bos.rs/</u>