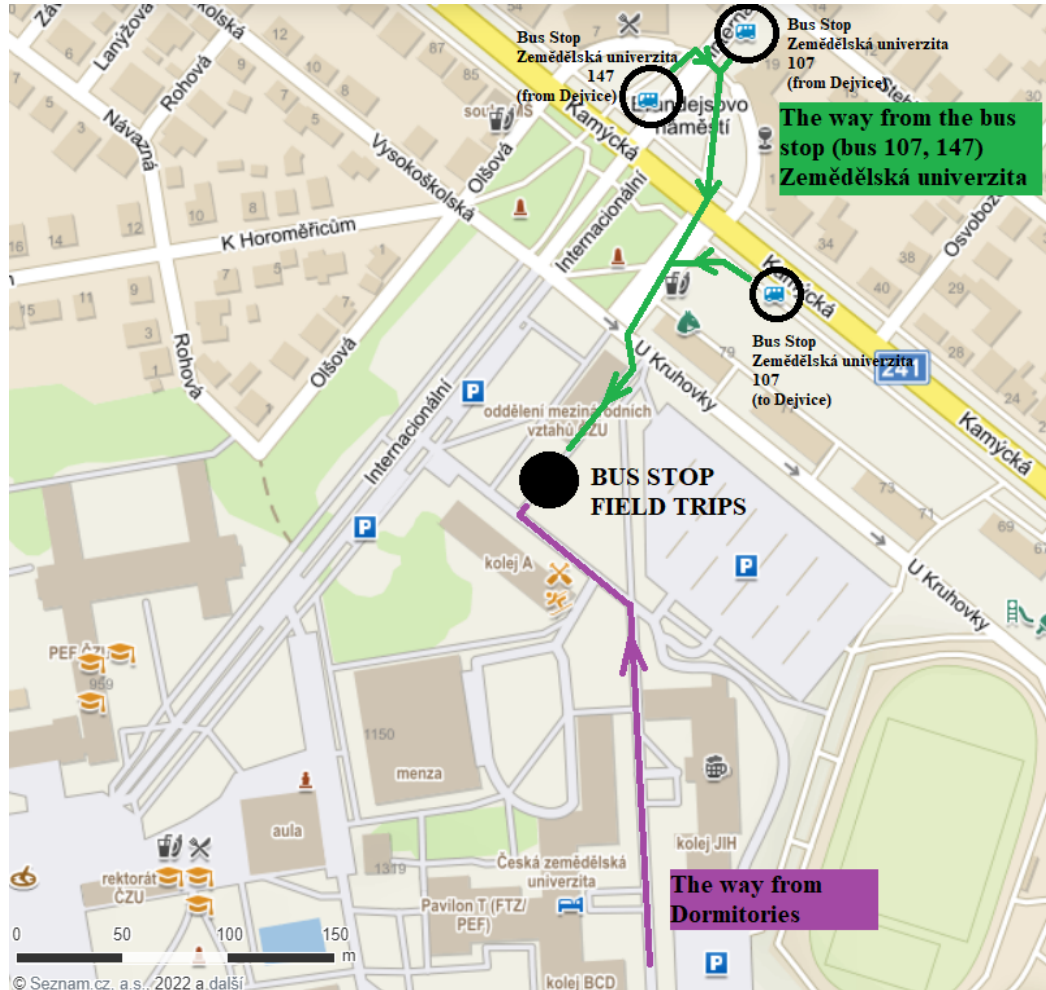


Rural Habitat Restoration in the City of Prague

Date: Monday, 22nd August

Departure: 9 AM (9:00) from Dormitories A (Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague)

GPS coordinates: 50.1316156N, 14.3762656E (the point on the map)



Arrival: about 3 PM (15:00)

What you will need: snack, something to drink, off-road shoes, butterfly net

Late lunch will be in a **local mini-brewery Prokopák** (www.pivovar-prokopak.cz)

The length of the walking route is **about 5 km** (low/medium difficulty)

You do not need a registration before the trip !!!

The congress registration you will take after the arrival back to Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague.

Schedule

- 9 AM (9:00) Departure from Czech University of Life Sciences in Prague
- 9:30 AM (9:30) Meeting with the leaders of the trip
- points from map (<https://mapy.cz/s/pojusupuja>):
 1. Start (bus)
 2. Shrub reduction + goat grazing
 3. *Polyommatus thersites*
 4. Nice view of Prague
 5. *Hipparchia semele* (steppe)
 6. Snack
 7. Disturbed patches
 8. Small-scale agriculture
 9. Na Rovinách (nectar patches)
 10. *Pseudophilotes vicrama*
 11. Late lunch + beer
- 3 PM (15:00) free programme; return back to the CZU campus or other walk to Nové Butovice or Jinonice and then by subway to the Prague City centre



Prague treasures: protection of diurnal butterflies in a biodiversity-rich nature reserve

In this excursion, we will visit the Prokopské údolí (Prokop Valley), which is one of the most beautiful natural areas occurring in Prague and is located quite close to the city centre. The importance of this nature reserve lies in the occurrence of xerothermic grasslands (steppes) and the communities of plants and insects living there. You will see not only beautiful nature, but also spectacular views of the city and the Vltava river valley. We will introduce to you several conservation projects that are ran by the Insect Ecology Group (www.fzp.czu.cz/insectecology) in the Prokop Valley and its surroundings. Here, in 2018, we reintroduced the locally extinct Chapman's blue butterfly (*Polyommatus thersites*). We are also monitoring the largest Central European population of rock grayling (*Hipparchia semele*) that lives in the Prokop Valley. In addition, we will show you the places where one of the rarest Czech diurnal butterflies, the eastern baton blue (*Pseudophilotes vicrama*) occurs. During the trip we will see traditional management actions, which are carried out in the nature reserve, and we will end the whole excursion with a late lunch in the local mini-brewery Prokopák (www.pivovar-prokopak.cz). In the late afternoon and evening, you still have plenty of time to visit the historic city center.



In case of some unexpected problem, contact the organiser at:

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We wish you a pleasant trip. Enjoy!