



**European Database of Successional Series (EDaSS)**  
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You are kindly invited to contribute your successional data to the European Database of Successional Series (EDaSS). We aim to compile existing successional data of changes in vegetation following disturbance (quarrying, abandonment from agriculture, clearcutting, etc.). Synthesis at multiple scales and meta-analysis can allow us to identify overall trends in succession and assess restoration success.

The Restoration Ecology Group has already put together a unique dataset from multiple human-disturbed sites across the Czech Republic (40 successional series, about 3700 phytosociological relevés, 1022 species recorded and 31 authors) yielding several publications (for other information see Prach et al. 2014, *Appl. Veget. Sci.* 17:193-200).

Our aim is to enlarge this successional database to the European scale and you are more than welcome to contribute with your data and share our effort.

**Requirements of data for inclusion in the database are:**

- Vegetation cover data (species) composing a successional series at least 20 years long
- Only spontaneous succession considered, without obvious additional disturbances or management
- Data from permanent plots (multiple time-points of monitoring) or chronosequences obtained from plots of preferably 5x5 m<sup>2</sup> (plots 2x2 - 20x20 m<sup>2</sup> could be included)

**Contributors**

- Will be co-authors of at least the first paper that uses their data
- Authorship in following papers will be earned through substantial contribution
- Will always be cited as data contributors in following publications

**Please do not hesitate to contact us for further information:**

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