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Country of origin	Serbia	
Year founded/registered	2000/2000	
PIB	101952460	
Registration number	17331701	
No. of members	60	
No. of emolyees	Fully-employed	
	0	Contracted
No. of volunteers	15	5
Operating territory	National and international	
Network memberships	CERI (Carpathian EcoRegional Initiative), FENS (Federation of NGOs of Serbia), DEF (Danube Environmental Forum), SEEENN (Southeastern European Environmental Network), as well as REReP network (Regional Environmental Reconstruction Programme), NATURA 2000 Resource Centre of Serbia;	
Main area of interest and work	Environment	
Publications	<p>Group of authors „<b>Report on Environmental Conflicts and Issues in South-Eastern Europe: Possible Collaboration between CSOs and Ecological Economists</b>". 2009; Miroslav Tadic; Assessment of the effectiveness of the protected areas management – with special reference to the national parks in the Republic of Serbia“ – 2010, Group of authors;</p> <p>"Workbook on sustainable development in the Carpathian Ecoregion", 2008 (available for download (PDF file size: 1,4 MB) on <a href="http://www.endemit.org.rs">www.endemit.org.rs</a>);</p> <p>Group of authors "Notebook on the sustainable development of local communities" 2006 (available for download (PDF file size: 1,8 MB) on</p>	

	<p>www.endemit.org.rs);  Group of authors "Sustainable development-based boosting of environmental problem-solving capacities of local communities", 2004 - Memoir;  Ivana Petrić "ZOO guide", 2004;</p>
Aims&objectives	<p>Improving the state of the environment and introducing the concept of sustainable development into society on all levels; raising the level of environmental awareness; educating and informing as many people of different age and education level as possible;</p>
Biggest projects	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>“Summer ecocamp Đerdap“</b></p> <p>The project named <b>“Summer ecocamp Đerdap“</b> was realized between 2001 and 2006. The aim of the project was to help improve the state of the environment on the territory of the National park Đerdap.</p> <p>As a result of the project, a database was built, providing the information on the state of certain aspects of the environment, in order to help monitor any changes and also to help people find the best measures to protect and enhance the values of the area.</p> <p><b><u>2004</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In cooperation with the City of Belgrade, Ecological society “Endemit” realized a project called <b>“Short review of fauna with the emphasis on the CITIES convention”</b>. As a result of the project, the previously mentioned <b>“ZOO GUIDE”</b> was published. As its name suggests, this book is a short guide through the world of animals, but its main significance is that it mainly presents endangered animal species.</li> <li>• Within the “Đerdap 2004” ecocamp project, “Endemit“ organized a special workshop in Tekija titled <b>“Sustainable development-based boosting of environmental problem-solving capacities of local communities“</b>. The workshop was supported and aided by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Belgrade.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>2005</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On the 31<sup>st</sup> of July, 2005 <b>Greenpeace</b> and <b>“Endemit”</b> promoted <b>“Energy revolution”</b>. Greenpeace’s sailboat <i>Anna</i> arrived in Belgrade and was docked in Zemun, near the hotel “Jugoslavija”. For that occasion, a tent with posters from the exhibition <b>“Climate change and renewable energy sources”</b> was set up.</li> <li>• Between the 1<sup>st</sup> of October and the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2005 ”Endemit” realized a pilot project named <b>”Inclusion of Roma into society by educating them in sustainable development”</b>.</li> </ul>

The project was financed by the City of Belgrade (The Secretariat of Social and Child Protection) and was organized at the premises of the school for adult education "Branko Pešić". The participants were 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade pupils.

### 2006

- "Endemit" participated in a campaign called „**Raising awareness of the youth on the importance of their active participation in solving the climate change issues**” that took place in Novi Sad from 30<sup>th</sup> of October to 4<sup>th</sup> of November 2006.

### 2007

- In 2007 a project “**Increasing the number of the employed Roma in Zemun and Novi Beograd**” was realized in cooperation with the school for adult education “Branko Pešić” and organization ”Humanost”. The project was financed by the EU through the European Agency for Reconstruction.
- During 2007, 2008, 2009 various workshops titled “**Let’s learn to live in a sustainable manner**” were carried out for professors and teachers.

### 2008-2009

- An ecological economics project at international level was implemented, which included organizations from different parts of the world. NGO “Endemit” participated as the leading organization for the Balkan region. The EU financed the project. One of the project’s main objectives was to create a role model and a strategy for any future researches that would apply ecological economics in solving environmental problems. Accordingly, the aim of “Endemit” in the project “**Engaging civil society organizations in the field of ecological economics**” was to gather data on the main NGOs in the Balkan area and the environmental problems/conflicts they are addressing, in order to select possible partners and associates for future activities/researches (CEECEC project, more on [www.ceecec.net](http://www.ceecec.net)).
- A major international scientific meeting - **The fifth Balkan Botanical Congress**, was held in Belgrade on 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> September 2009. The Congress was attended by more than 370 scientists - botanists from a total of 27 countries worldwide. The members of the Ecological Society Endemit "(The Unit for Plants) had a poster presentation titled" Contribution to the knowledge of flora in the Iron Gate National Park in North-Eastern Serbia ", where the results of investigation of the flora

in the National park "Iron Gate" were presented

- In September 2009 a project titled “**Improved management of protected areas in the Republic of Serbia - focus on national parks**” was initiated. The project is financed by the US Embassy in Belgrade.
- On 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2009, **World’s day of action against the climate change** was celebrated near the Gardoš tower in Zemun. The aim was to spread the news of “350” (the name of an environmental organization), the most important number in the world.
- Members of “Endemit” presented the Society’s work on the 15<sup>th</sup> **United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change**. For this purpose, a documentary movie „Global warming and Serbia” was filmed, featuring the level of environmental awareness of the people in Serbia. The film was made based on the results of a survey conducted among the citizens of Serbia. The documentary film “**Global Warming and Serbia**” is available at following address ([http://www.endemit.org.rs/aktivnost/globalno\\_otopljavanje\\_fil\\_m.htm](http://www.endemit.org.rs/aktivnost/globalno_otopljavanje_fil_m.htm)).

## 2010

- In March 2010, the accredited seminar for professors and teachers of elementary and secondary schools entitled "**Let’s learn to live in a sustainable manner**" was realized in the premises of the Belgrade City Assembly. The seminar was organized as part of activities in the project "**Engaging civil society organizations in the field of ecological economics**".
- As part of the project "**Engaging civil society organizations in the field of ecological economics**", the “*Report on Environmental Conflicts and Issues in South-Eastern Europe: Possible Collaboration between CSOs and Ecological Economists*” was prepared. This report is a unique research into the condition and conflict situations in the environment. The study was conducted in 2009, at the international and national level in the South East Europe (SEE). The material can be downloaded from the Endemit website ([www.endemit.org.rs](http://www.endemit.org.rs)). Also, the case study titled "*Impact analysis of protected area on local economy with specific emphasis on living standards of Local Communities*” was developed for the territory the Nationalnog park "Iron Gate". The study presented a complete analysis of the state of the national park, with measures for sustainable development of the area.

- Within the project "**Improved management of protected areas in the Republic of Serbia - with special reference to the national parks**", which was funded by the U.S. Embassy in Serbia, a survey was conducted in cooperation with the representatives of the national parks and other managers of protected areas.

As a result of the project, the manual titled "Assessment of the effectiveness of the protected areas management - with special reference to the national parks in the Republic of Serbia" was prepared and published in cooperation with the representatives of the national parks.

This publication provides an overview of the process for assessment of effectiveness of the management of protected resources, with a focus on very simple and applicable methodology for such assessments, and examples of efficacy assessment in Serbia and abroad. More about this project is available at <http://zastitaprirode.endemit.org.rs/>.

- In September 2010, the promotion of results of the project "**Enhanced management of protected areas in the Republic of Serbia - with special reference to the national parks**" and "**Engagement of civil society organizations in the field of ecological economics**" was held in the Zemun Gymnasium. On this occasion, the managers of the protected natural resources presented their protected resources, and Ecological Society Endemit " promoted the activities that were carried out during the ten years of its existence.
- The project "Let's Recycle with Students" was implemented in 2010. The project was financed by the Assembly of the City of Belgrade – Secretariat for Environmental Protection. The main objective of the project was to raise environmental awareness and encourage students to selective waste disposal at the Faculty of Philology and the student dormitory "Studentski grad". More about this project is available at following address ([http://www.endemit.org.rs/aktivnost/reciklirajmo\\_zajedno.htm](http://www.endemit.org.rs/aktivnost/reciklirajmo_zajedno.htm) ).

## 2011

- The project „**The Future is in NATURA**“ was implemented in October 2011, supported by the Secretariat for Environmental Protection of the City of Belgrade. The project aimed to educate the students of ecology/environmental sciences on biodiversity protection, with an emphasis on improving their

informedness and capacity building in order to take part in problem-solving in biodiversity protection in the future. More about this project is available at (<http://www.endemit.org.rs/aktivnost/seminar-natura2000.htm>).

- The preparation of the scientific and popular publication titled „**THE NATIONAL PARK DJERDAP**“ – **values, beauty and conservation of nature**“ is in progress. The project was the outcome of the two projects by Endemit: „Summer Eco-camp Djerdap 2001-2005“ and „Engagement of the civil society organizations in the field of ecological economics“.
- In 2011, the project titled „**Guide through biological diversity of the National Park Derdap**“ was initiated, financed by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The main objective of the project was to improve the informedness and knowledge about the biodiversity of the National Park Djerdap. The project includes the development of the informative and educational manual on biodiversity of the NP Djerdap intended for the local population of the area and visitors to the NP Djerdap, especially students visiting the area, individually or in groups.