

# The Czech Republic

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- The critical activity is to reinforce the interaction and collaboration with the Ministry of Environment, which requires time and efforts to enlarge the number of populations that can be made available in principle.



# Problems in CZE

- Spp from the Red List and those under protection by law are not allowed to have in cultivation, maintenance, distribution etc. Act 114/ENVI)
- (Other spp are not a problem, however, they are common)
- Nevertheless, many of such spp are in National programme, introduced by collecting activity of CWR 1993-2024
- Together with preparing of the manuscript (Holubec et al. 2024?) The methodology of conservation of CWR) it appeared important to „legalize“ available CWR in GB, get permission for further collecting and maintenance them in GB and to start *in situ* conservation in collaboration AGRI-ENVI.
- The manuscript was sent for peer review to ENVI.

# Negotiations with Ministry of Environment

- 4.1.2024 VH Visit to Minister of Agriculture: funding of PGR and **introduction of problems *in situ***, request for interdisciplinary meeting AGRI-ENVI
- End Jan 2024 meeting of ministers AGRI, ENVI, agreement for further negotiations
- 20.2.2024 PGR Board meeting in Ministry of Agriculture, invited ENVI representatives, discussions on further steps
- ENVI: request for dbf of *in situ* candidates
- Database was proposed - over 80 species selected, based on previous published Czech PGR strategy and reasonability
- Database sent in May to the Agency for Nature and Landscape Conservation/AOPK ENVI, now waiting for their response, negative selection of spp, etc.

# What can/will be done in 2024

- Work on the database of candidate species for *in situ* to reach agreement of AGRI and ENVI
- To start discussion with ENVI to agree *in situ* of endangered spp on their sites (at first without sample availability)
- The key point is **to establish availability as backup in GB**, because currently any collecting is not permitted
- The focus is to get a special **agreement for CRI** from ENVI to collect and backup samples in GB.

# What can/will be done in 2024

- For above agreed spp **it is possible to start *in situ* outside of protected areas**. Negotiation with land owner only, can be signed.
- 5-10 spp/sites outside of protected areas will be selected for EURISCO
- Collecting of seeds **to establish availability as backup in GB**,
- To finish manuscript of Methodology and publish

