



## News from Divjaka-Karavasta NP 2013 vol.1

### **National workshop in February**

14-15 February in Divjake followed by the TCC (Technical Coordination Committee)

In order to brush up the draft Management Plan, we have worked with many wide ranges of stakeholders inviting all walks of life. National level workshop will be held with participation by the professionals in protected area management from all over Albania as well as the Ministries, Local Government and Local Stakeholders.



<Preparation for the workshop>



<National Park Office>

### **2 ongoing surveys to enrich the existing data**

Socio-economic survey updates the 2005 record and further illustrates additional information on education and tourism.

PRA (Participatory Rural Appraisals) on local resources focuses on local knowledge. By facilitating local people, the knowledge will be transformed into written format that will form a foundation of the guidebooks on the Divjake-Karavasta National Park area.



<Socio-Economic Survey>



<PRA workshop>



### Collaboration with Education Board

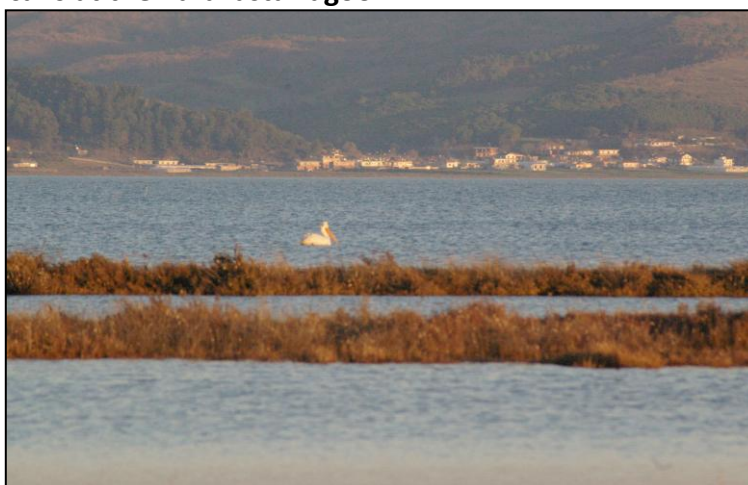
Environmental Education plays important roles in the Conservation and Sustainable Use of the National Park. The Directory of Education in Lushnje welcomed our collaboration to work closely with schools. In cooperation with schools, Directorate of Forestry Service, National Park office, joint activities will be organised.



<Discussion with the Director >

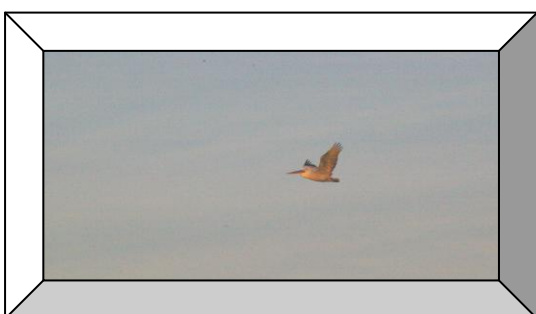
### Now is the chance to meet Pelicans at the Karavasta Lagoon

One clear day when the air is cool and clear is a perfect opportunity to encounter the Dalmatian Pelican (*Pelecanus crispus*). It is hard to spot the birds. Yet, local people know well when and where the birds feed and fly.



According to the professionals most of them will fly to other sites, so it is the best opportunity to see them few weeks time in February.

Hurry up! If you have time, come and visit the park before they fly away!



These photos were taken with 300mm lens.

Don't forget that binoculars, telescopes are very helpful!

Why not come to enjoy the tranquil winter with many birds in the National Park?