

Annex No. 11 to the MU Directive on Habilitation Procedures and Professor Appointment Procedures

PUBLIC LECTURE EVALUATION

Masaryk University

Faculty

Procedure field

Applicant

Lecture date

Lecture topic

Persons present

(number)

Designated evaluators

(board members)

Faculty of Science

Botany

Doc. RNDr. Zdeňka Lososová, Ph.D.

25th September 2025

Funkční a fylogenetická diverzita v invazní biologii /

Functional and phylogenetic diversities in invasion biology

118 on-site + 2 online

Prof. RNDr. Michal Hájek, Ph.D. (on-site)

Prof. RNDr. Tomáš Herben, CSc. (online)

Prof. RNDr. Jan Lepš, CSc (online)

Prof. RNDr. Petr Bureš, Ph.D. (on-site)

The public lecture by **Zdeňka Lososová** took place at the Botany Seminar of the Department of Botany & Zoology and formed part of the Autumnal Lecture Cycle organized by the South Moravian Branch of the Czech Botanical Society. The audience included Bachelor, Master, and PhD students from the programs in Ecological and Evolutionary Biology, Botany and Zoology, together with academic staff from the Department and colleagues from related institutions, including the Botanical Institute of the Czech Academy of Sciences. Two committee members also joined via MS Teams, and the lecture was recorded for broader accessibility (available at youtube.com/@botzool).

In her presentation, the candidate introduced her research on **functional traits** in the **ecology of plant invasions**, with particular emphasis on phylogenetic relatedness among invasive species and the **phylogenetic structure of invaded plant communities**. She summarized **her most important findings** across different spatial and temporal scales, published in leading ecological journals and achieved in collaboration with internationally recognized experts in ecology and invasion biology.

The lecture was very well received and stimulated a wide-ranging discussion. The candidate engaged confidently with the audience, responding thoroughly to around fifteen questions and demonstrating both her deep expertise and her ability to communicate complex topics with clarity.

Conclusion

The lecture delivered by Zdeňka Lososová, entitled "Functional and phylogenetic diversities in invasion biology" and delivered as part of the professor appointment procedure, demonstrated sufficient scholarly qualifications and pedagogical capabilities expected of applicants participating in a professor appointment procedure in the field of botany. The lecture took place in a hybrid form at 4 PM. The above-mentioned members of the board attended the lecture and provided its evaluation. All designated evaluators are familiar with the text of the evaluation and agree with it.

Date: 30th September 2025

Michal Hájek

Petr Bureš