Editorial

The Bulletin of Geosciences is a quarterly journal published by the Czech Geological Survey. The journal has a long tradition, having been published since 1925 (see www.geology.cz/bulletin, Bulletin of Geosciences, 2005, Vol. 80, No. 4, 239–243, for details). Since 2001, the Bulletin of Geosciences has had an international editorial board. All submitted papers are written in English and have been subjected to international peer review. The journal is also published electronically, and full-text articles are available, beginning with volume 77, on the Bulletin website (www.geology.cz/bulletin).

Volume 81 of the Bulletin of Geosciences is marked by a series of notable changes. By decision of the director of the Czech Geological Survey, Zdeněk Venera, following his agreement with the head of the Czech Geological Society, Petr Budil (see above), the Bulletin of Geosciences is changing its scope. Beginning with volume 81, the Bulletin will publish new articles in the field of palaeoenvironmental geology, including palaeontology, stratigraphy, sedimentology, palaeogeography, palaeoecology, palaeoclimatology, geochemistry, mineralogy, geophysics, and related fields. The new editorial board has invited an international group of associate editors (see journal covers) to help ensure the scientific quality of the published papers. Together with the change in scope, a new design and new instructions for authors have been prepared (see journal covers or www.geology.cz/bulletin). Also beginning with volume 81, the scientific papers for the Bulletin of Geosciences can be submitted electronically (to bulletin@geology.cz) to simplify the manuscript submission and reviewing process.

I greatly appreciate the work of Lilian Švábenická and other members of the previous Editorial Board for their service for the Bulletin of Geosciences. One of the main characteristics of a good scientific journal is the stability of the scientific and technical quality of its articles, and our new team promises to continue this standard. This would not be possible without the help of all members of our new team of coeditors, associate editors, and executive and technical editors. In addition, the most critical factor influencing the quality of any journal is that it receives ample, scientifically significant manuscripts.

I look forward to working together with the new editorial board, with our reviewers, and with all of the contributing authors in building a good scientific journal.

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