Workshop on Changes of the Polar Ecosystem The 13th Annual Meeting of the Polar Section of the Czech Geographical Society

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Workshop on Changes of the Polar Ecosystem (The 13th Annual Meeting of the Polar Section of the Czech Geographical Society) was organized in Jánské Lázně, the Krkonoše Mountains, on 7th – 9th November 2012.

It was annual meeting of Czech and foreign workers, engaged in a long-term research in polar regions, especially in the Arctic and Antarctic. This meeting creates conditions for systematic scientific work of Czech experts and connects the scientific community working in the Arctic and Antarctic (members of Academy of Sciences, universities, research institutes and employees of National parks etc.) with similar institutions abroad. The Czech Republic focusses its scientific activities in the Arctic and Antarctic. They are automatically affiliated to the international scientific associations dealing with the coordination of scientific research in the polar regions.

Main topics of the workshop are specified in the bellow list. For more information *see* http://www.antarktida-ozon.cz/polarsection/.

- 1. Physical and chemical environment, its dynamic, development and changes
- 2. Lithosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere
- 3. Plant communities, their structure, function and development
- 4. Plant survival and adaptive mechanisms
- 5. Biodiversity and evolution
- 6. Geology
- 7. Glaciology

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Fig. 1. The participants of morning lecture of the 13th Annual Meeting of the Polar Section of the Czech Geographical Society and Workshop on Changes of the Polar Ecosystem (Jánské Lázně in the Krkonoše Mountains).



Fig. 2. Group photo of the participants of the 13th Annual Meeting of the Polar Section of the Czech Geographical Society and Workshop on Changes of the Polar Ecosystem.