

Editorial

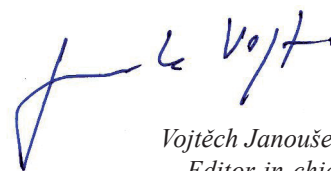
***Journal of Geosciences* – changes planned since 2013**

Dear authors, readers and supporters,
as you all probably now, *Journal of Geosciences* is an open-access journal which appears in the present form since 2007. Based on over 50 years of tradition of its predecessor, *Journal of the Czech Geological Society*, our team has struggled to produce a modern periodical, independent of large publication houses. Indeed, our effort has brought fruit in the form of numerous interesting papers and special issues dedicated to some of the most intriguing questions in geology, mineralogy, geophysics, petrology and geochemistry of the igneous and metamorphic complexes. Encouraging is also its coverage by leading bibliographic databases, including GeoRef, Scopus and Thompson's Science Citation Index Expanded (IF = 1.028 (2011)).

We are all committed to bring you a continuous trickle of high-quality scientific papers, and are very pleased by the positive feedback we are getting from the community. Unfortunately, the overall economic situation in Europe is far from being ideal, and this concerns also small non-profit making organizations, such as the Czech Geological Society. As it seems, we cannot carry on publishing papers of unrestricted length and, at the same time, keep them free of charge. For this reason, we have reached an uneasy decision and, starting from the issue 1/2013, will introduce charges of 500 CZK/20 EUR per every printed page exceeding the limit of sixteen. However, these charges will not apply to contributions, whose corresponding author is a paying member of the Czech Geological Society. The current policy asking for modest contribution towards the extra costs of colour printing remains unaffected, as will be the possibility to present colour illustrations free of charge in the online version. Moreover, also from the issue 1/2013, we will have to stop providing free paper reprints. I trust that you will understand that such measures are inevitable, and do apologize sincerely for the inconvenience.

In any case, on behalf of our editorial team, I can assure you that the Journal will continue providing you interesting reading, quickly and efficiently. In this respect we are working on some improvements, such as preparing a new version of the web pages and introducing an online publishing system.

In Prague, April 2012



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(on behalf of the Editorial Board)