

Polar Ecology Conference

Polar Ecology Conference is organised by the Centre for Polar Ecology, Faculty of Science, University of South Bohemia from September 30th to October 3rd, 2012. Main focus of the conference is recent dynamics of Arctic ecosystems. Geographically speaking, the scope of the conference will be Arctic region with a special emphasis given to Svalbard. The main goal of the conference is to provide a platform for young scientists and researches working in the field of biological and Earth sciences.

The conference will take place in the Conference Hall of the Biological Centre in the campus of the University of South Bohemia, České Budějovice, Czech Republic. The head of the Scientific Committee is Josef Elster (Centre for Polar Ecology, University of South Bohemia). Other members of the Scientific Committee are Kim Holmen (Norwegian Polar Institute), Ad Huiskes (Unit of Polar Ecology, Netherlands Institute of Ecology), Josef Svoboda (Erindalle College, University of Toronto).

Special attention will be paid to young scientist, their poster and oral presentations, respectively. Best poster and oral presentation will be awarded a special prize by the Scientific Committee. All abstracts as well as selected presentations will be published in *Czech Polar Reports* (<http://www.sci.muni.cz/CPR/>) that is going to be issued in December 2012. Young scientist category is considered for students who have finished their Ph.D. theses after 2007. Within the conference, the organizers together with the Association of Polar Early Career Scientists (APECS) will organize an APECS Panel "International Collaborations and Networking in Polar Science World". Therefore, young scientist working in the field of polar science are invited to attend the Polar Ecology Conference.

<http://polar.prf.jcu.cz/conference.htm>

