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To whom it may concern,

I would like to thank both evaluation commissions for their time devoted to the evaluation of the CzechGlobe and for the overall positive result of the evaluation. However, we consider it necessary to highlight some very important facts that are misinterpreted in the evaluation reports.

All activities of the institute, the successful start of scientific work, established research infrastructure, above-standard international cooperation, scientific results and their application in practice are the product of a clear scientific concept, the purposeful building of erudite, internationally competitive scientific teams actively participating in FP EU projects, building an EU training facility in ecophysiology (MERC EU FP5 – European infrastructure: Carbon physiology of forest trees) and co-founding of ESFRI pan-European research infrastructures. These extraordinary achievements resulted in the acquisition and very successful implementation of the OP RDI project (Operational Program Research and Development for Innovation, project CzechGlobe – Center for Global Climate Change Impacts Studies, implemented in 2010-2014).

Neither "all activities and the successful start of the scientific work", nor "standing and reputation" were not established by some "non-standard institutional support at a high level", and CzechGlobe was not "initiated by a large infrastructure investment", as misinterpreted several times by the commission in the evaluation reports.

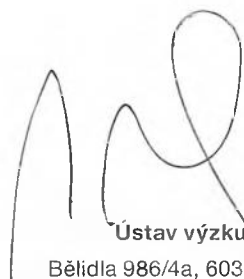
The above-standard quality of the institution's management and working conditions, including addressing gender issues, is indisputably proven by the obtained certificates ISO 9001 (Quality Management Systems), ISO 14001 (Environmental Management System) and HR Award (HR Excellence in Research Award).

The institution's management and working conditions, including the addressing gender issues, are not "somewhat difficult to assess", "non-standard structured" and it cannot be questioned "whether efforts are making in the institute in this direction", as misinterpreted several times by the commission in the evaluation reports.

The unprecedented presentation of the publication of the scientific results of CzechGlobe to the public and their implementation in practice, awarded the Prize of the Minister of Agriculture and the prize of the Czech Internet 2020 (Křišťálová Lupa, the category Tools and Services), was fundamentally contributed by a team no. 1 presented by prof. Trnka. The team ensures the running of the following websites: www.interdrought.cz, www.klimatickazmena.cz, www.firerisk.cz, www.vynosyplodin.cz, <http://www.fenofaze.cz/>, <http://mapserver.czechglobe.cz/en/map>.

Teams 1's publishing activities are not limited to "web-portals www.klimatickazmena.cz", as misinterpreted in the evaluation report of Team no. 1. It is also not in line with the reality that this website is "not fully up to date". A total of 81 updates were made during the reviewed period.

Sincerely yours



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