

## Editorial

*On the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2013 in the assembly hall of the Polish Academy of Arts and Sciences in Cracow, the Jubilee Session on the occasion of 80<sup>th</sup> birthdays of two prominent Quaternary researchers, Professors Stefan Witold Alexandrowicz and Leszek Starkel, took place.*



Stefan W. Alexandrowicz, Cracow, 2013 (Phot. A. Walanus)

*The Session was organized by the Committee for Quaternary Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences, in which both Professors have been long-lasting members and chairmen. During the Session the biographies and scientific works of both Jubilees as well as their scientific and organizational activities in Poland and abroad were presented. The lectures displayed validity of judgments and contribution of both Professors to the Quaternary research on the geomorphological processes in the Carpathians and their foreland, and concerning a malacological analysis.*

*In this issue of **Studia Quaternaria** the papers of Witold Paweł Alexandrowicz and Piotr Gębica present a stimulating input of both professors to the Quaternary studies in Poland. The first paper is on malacological analysis that has*



Leszek Starkel in the Ukraine, August 2006 (Phot. P. Gębica)

*become an important field of studies since 1970s for Professor Stefan Witold Alexandrowicz. The second paper presents paleogeography of the Carpathian rivers in Poland during Late Glacial and Holocene, a main field of studies of Professor Leszek Starkel since the beginning of his scientific career.*

*The Committee for Quaternary Research of the Polish Academy of Sciences, the Editors of **Studia Quaternaria** and the Quaternary community in Poland pass their best wishes to Professor S.W. Alexandrowicz and to Professor L. Starkel for the coming years.*

*AD MULTOS ANNOS!*