

Anniversary



In the middle of December Professor, Habilitated doctor, corresponding member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences Stasys Karazija celebrates his 70th anniversary.

Stasys Karazija was born on December 14, 1930 in Subačius

rural district, Palėvenė reg., Terpeikiai village. In 1949 he graduated Kupiškis secondary school. In 1954 Stasys Karazija graduated from the Lithuanian Academy of Agriculture. Until 1960 he worked in the forest enterprises. Since 1963 Stasys Karazija began working at the Lithuanian Forest Research Institute as assistant, junior research scientist and got further promotion. In 1965 he defended his thesis "Types and productivity of the birch forests of Lithuanian SSR" (supervisor K. Saks) and obtained his Ph. D. from the Byelorussian Institute of Technology. In 1980 S. Karazija defended his thesis "The typological classification of the South Baltic forests as the base of the optimization of their composition and increase in the productivity" for habilitation at the Institute of Experimental Botany of the

Byelorussian Academy of Sciences. S. Karazija alone and with co-authors has published more than 233 scientific, scientific popular articles. A total of 7 monographs have been issued. In 1992-1994 he was deputy director of the Lithuanian Forest Research Institute. In 1994 he was appointed director of the same institute. He held this position until 1997. In 1996 he was elected corresponding member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences. In 1997 Stasys Karazija was elected chairman of the Senate of the Lithuanian Forest Research Institute. Stasys Karazija is eminent scientist of natural sciences, great authority in the field of biogeocenotic classification of forests. He was one of the pioneers of the international scientific journal "*Baltic Forestry*" and is still an active member of the Editorial Board of the "*Baltic Forestry*" as well as of the journal "Miškininkystė" (*Silviculture*, in Lithuanian).

The Editorial Board, Editorial Office and all contributors of the "*Baltic Forestry*" and colleagues have a great pleasure to congratulate Stasys KARAZIJA on the occasion of his 70th birthday and to wish good health, inexhaustible energy, long years of further activity as a scientist and new scientific achievements.

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