



**Bohumír Procházka, longtime CEJPH Editorial Board member, dies at 64**

Biostatistician Assoc. Prof. Bohumír Procházka, PhD, passed away on 17 August 2017 after a long illness. He dedicated his professional life to applied statistics and informatics.

B. Procházka studied mathematical statistics at the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, Charles University in Prague. After graduation, he worked at the Department of Biostatistics and Informatics of the former Institute of Hygiene and Epidemiology (nowadays National Institute of Public Health). Procházka, from 1996 a head of the Department, spent 40 years of his career in the NIPH.

In 1993, he received EU scholarship at St. Thomas' Hospital in London. He was involved predominantly in the project on avoidable deaths, anthropometric studies of child growth, and epidemiology research led by Professor W.W. Holland.

A prolific author, he contributed to more than 200 scientific publications.

In addition to his statistical consulting activities, he helped to advance the nationwide acute respiratory infections register, pandemic information system and work categorization system. He assumed the role of a national representative and IT expert within the European infectious disease surveillance system, where he coordinated the communication between national and international systems.

He taught biostatistics for twenty years at the Third Faculty of Medicine, Charles University. As a teacher, he prepared the university textbook Biostatistics for Medical Doctors, and in 2015, he published two textbooks on Biostatistics for Medical Doctors in Karolinum Press. In 2016, B. Procházka received his habilitation in medical informatics and he was appointed Associate Professor at the First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University.

He was a longtime member of the CEJPH Editorial Board and his high standards contributed greatly to the quality of the Journal.

The CEJPH team is mourning the loss of a distinguished expert on statistical applications in clinical medicine and epidemiology and, also, amiable men and invaluable friend.

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