

The climate changes

There are hardly days when the threat of climate change does not escalate in the news media. No doubt, the climate is changing. All research results are pointing in the same direction.

The news media often seem a little hysterical, when they are reporting about the climate. The journalists tend primarily to quote the researchers, who tell about the biggest, the most violent, the coldest, the hottest and the fastest results of the changes.

The research with more uncertain results, which professionally are including the usually large uncertainties when dealing with climate change, do not to the same extent get the interest from the press. Despite the fact that it probably is these research projects which are closest to the truth.

The climate change has brought Greenland and particularly the Greenland Ice Sheet at the front page of the world me-

dia. Lots of politicians, scientists and tourists arrive to watch the tremendous changes taken place right before their eyes.

Now, we do not want to scare the tourists and the other guests away. But honestly, for us living in Greenland, it is hard to spot the big changes in our environment.

OK, we experience changes in the weather. But probably no more than what we have experienced before: March is stormy and we experience icy winds. The summer was very dry last year. The field ice from the Arctic Ocean creates problems for our fishermen. The potatoes did thrive crazy good last year. Etc.

Yes, the inland ice has retreated. It is visible, but otherwise the greatest changes here in South Greenland seem to be that the fashion again has changed. This year the fashion colour of the women's clothing is the yellow-green colour Greenery.



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