

CLIMATE CHANGE IN NORTHERN TERRITORIES

Sharing Experiences and Exploring New Methods

Assessing Socio-Economic Impacts

Open Assembly/Conference in Akureyri, Iceland

22. - 23. August 2013

Program (Draft 12th August 2013)

Wednesday 21st August

Pre-Conference day for the NRF Young Researchers

Thursday 22nd August

08:15 – 09:00	Registration – Coffee
09:00	Words of welcome Rector Stefán B. Sigurðsson, Professor Lassi Heininen and Professor Grétar Þór Eypórsson
09:25	Opening speech Mr. Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson President of Iceland
09:45	Keynote Speaker Executive Director Patricia A. L. Cochran, Alaska Native Science Commission: <i>"Indigenous Peoples and Climate Change: Framing the Dialogue"</i> NRF Young researcher Nikolas Sellheim: <i>"Living with 'Barbarians' - Within the Commercial Sealing Industry"</i> Open for questions/discussions
10:35	Coffee break
10:50	Parallel sessions I, II and III
Session I:	Stefan Sigurðsson: <i>"The Natural Resource: Reindeer"</i> Sigríður Kristjansdóttir: <i>"Global climate changes and the tensions of Sustainable Development"</i> Irēna Pučka: <i>"Sustainable forestry in the context of climate change mitigation"</i> NRF Young Researcher Susan Carruth: <i>"Climate & Change: Greenland's energy landscape"</i>

- Session II: Gestur Hovgaard & Gretar Eypórsson: „*The West Nordic region: Possibilities and role in future development in the North-Atlantic*“
- Dmitry Zimin: „*Climate Change and the Northern Sea Route: A New Russian Strategy in the Arctic?*“
- Lisa Van Well & Johanna Roto: „*The Arctic: Europe’s Strategic Neighbourhood*“
- Heikki Eskelinen & Matti Fritsch: „*Looking North – the Arctic Dimension in Finnish Regional Policy*“
- Session III: Elin Ebba Ásmundsdóttir: „*Enabling social capital in the Arctic*“
- NRF Young Researcher Noor Johnson: „*Grantwriting and other translational skills in adaptation practice*“
- Andréa Finger: „*Agency as redefined by climate change: the case of the Arctic*“
- Robin Bronen: „*Climate-Induced Community Relocations: „Resilience and Adaptation of Alaska Native communities*“
- 12:30 **Lunch**
- 13:45 **Reporting from parallel sessions**
- 14:00 **Keynote speaker**
- Senior Researcher Jon Naustdalslid, former Director General at Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research (NIBR): "*The certainty of uncertainty: The challenge of planning for a changing climate*"
- Open for questions/discussions
- 14:45 **Parallel sessions IV, V and VI**
- Session IV: Natalia Loukacheva: „*Climate Change Governance in the Arctic and Legal Issues*“
- Anton Vasiliev: „*Arctic Council and Climate Change Policies*“
- NRF Young Researcher Bianca Tiantian Zhang: „*Legal Challenges of Precautionary and Ecosystem Approach in Arctic Fishery Governance*“
- Lára Jóhannsdóttir: „*Role of insurers when adapting to changing climate*“
- Session V: Tanja Suni et al.: "*Land-atmosphere-society processes in the boreal and Arctic regions – collaboration opportunities within iLEAPS and PEEX*"

Antti Roose et al.: „Mitigation policies and planning responses to emergent suburban development in Estonia“

Kari Laine: „Analysis of Regional Climate Strategies in the Barents Region“

NRF Young Researcher Julia Martin: „Hyperextended objects in environmental planning“

Session VI:

Janis Lapinskis: „Climate change impacts on coastal areas in Latvia“

NRF Young Researcher Ilona Mettiäinen: „Planned or emerging futures? Addressing climate change on regional level by strategic planning“

Jaak Jaagus: „Recent climate changes in the Baltic Sea region and their impacts in the coastal regions of Estonia“

Arvo Järvet: „Adaptation methods of climate change and recommendations for water management in Estonia“

15:35

Coffee break

15:50

Parallel sessions IV, V and VI (continues)

16:40

Reporting from parallel sessions, discussion and summing up

17:45

Buses to hotels

19:30

Conference Dinner at Hof, Akureyri Cultural House

Friday 23rd August

09:00

Keynote speaker:

Dr. Erik Gløersen, senior consultant at Spatial Foresight, lecturer and researcher at the University of Geneva: *“Factoring in Territorial Diversity in development and adaptation strategies: Policy challenges and methodological proposals”*

Open for questions/discussions

09:45

Parallel sessions VII, VIII and IX

Session VII:

NRF Young Researcher Michał Łuszczuk: „Maritime regionalism as a framework for analysing the territorial challenges of the Arctic transformation“

Kári F. Lárusson: „Rapid Assessment for Rapid Change "information for adaptation in the North“

Vífill Karlsson & G. Eyþórsson: „Adaption to changes in two rural municipalities in Iceland“

	Edward H. Huijbens: „Incorporating climate change in polar tourism product development“
Session VIII:	<p>Sigfriður Inga Karlsdóttir: „Giving birth in rural areas“</p> <p>Hildigunnur Svavarsdóttir et al.: „Factors affecting recruitment and retention of health care professionals in rural areas“</p> <p>Sonja Stelly Gustafsdóttir: „Public perspective on health care service in rural areas“</p> <p>Sigrún Sigurðardóttir et al.: „Psychological Trauma, Stress and Violence: Consequences for Health and Well-being“</p>
Session IX:	<p>Bergur Einarsson et al.: „The impact of climate change on glaciers and glacial runoff in Iceland“</p> <p>NRF Young Researcher Sigmar Arnarsson: „Northern Shift of Species“</p> <p>Steingrímur Jónsson: „Climate variability, climate change and the future of fisheries in the Arctic and sub-Arctic marine ecosystems“</p> <p>Páll A. Daviðsson: „THE ICE CIRCLE: funding research and providing an international channel of communication for Arctic voices“</p>
10:35	Coffee break
10:55	Parallel sessions VII, VIII and IX (continues)
11:45	Reporting from sessions
12:00	Lunch
12:45	Arctic research and networking in Iceland (Short presentations in plenary during lunch break)
13:15	<p>Keynote speaker: Professor Matthias Finger, Ecole Polytechnique Federale (EPFL): <i>“The resources exploitation / climate change nexus: why the Arctic matters for the world”</i></p> <p>NRF Young researcher Hanna Lempinen: <i>“Social sustainability in/and the Barents energyscape: Conceptual and methodological platforms for tracing the elusive social”</i></p> <p>Open for questions/discussions</p>

14:05	Parallel sessions X and XI
Session X:	<p>Garri Raagmaa: „Regional Higher Educational Institutions as Green Economy Knowledge Hubs in the Northern Territories“</p> <p>NRF Young Researcher Marguerite Marlin: „Leveraging Globalization: How Global Venues Offer a Comparative Advantage for IPO Influence on Arctic Policy“</p> <p>Eva Halapi et.al.: „Climate Change – Perceptions and knowledge among young adults in Iceland“</p> <p>Anna Lilja Sigurvinsdóttir et.al.: „Awareness, perception and attitudes on global climate change among Icelanders“</p>
Session XI:	<p>Kristín Þórarinsdóttir et.al.: „Can action research act as a vehicle in climate change adaptation?“</p> <p>Olaf Foss et.al.: „Methodological challenges in multi-disciplinary climate change research - experiences from ESPON CLIMATE“</p> <p>Janis Kaulins et.al.: „Municipal Indicator System Development for risk adaptation and communication assessment in coastal risk governance“</p> <p>Erik Gløersen: „Using Foresight to trigger entrepreneurship and growth in West Nordic rural communities“</p>
14:55	Coffee break
15:15	Parallel sessions (continues)
16:05	Reporting from sessions
16:20	Panel discussion, summing up and farewell
18:15	Buses to hotels

Saturday 24th August

10:00 – 17:00	<p>Excursion Day: Eyjafjörður coast line, Siglufjörður and Skagafjörður https://events.artegis.com/lz/CustomContent?T=1&custom=1657&navid=5691&event=10494</p>
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