

Communities of Change – *Building an IPY Legacy*

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International Student Conference 2-5 October 2009 Yukon College, Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada

250 students, postdoctoral scholars, young faculty, and others from around the world together with a dynamic roster of speakers and panelists will share ideas and research on changes in the polar regions. This event adds to a series of worldwide celebrations recognizing the important contributions from the International Polar Year (IPY).

The conference focuses on changes in various areas of polar research, including:

- Changes to polar flora, fauna and marine communities.
- Changes in human communities through increased development, climate & population changes.
- Changes in research communities and how research is undertaken in the Polar Regions.
- Changes in communities as a result of polar law, governance, and policy.

Plenary talks, followed by concurrent sessions with presentations and discussion panels addressing emerging issues in understanding changes in polar environments comprise the first 2 days. The final day addresses the challenges facing polar research; developing new techniques, funding new projects, conducting effective education and outreach, accessing field sites, developing international and interdisciplinary collaborations among others. The conference will conclude with a charge to the participants to continue on as a community of change in shaping the future of polar research. This conference is an important piece of the IPY legacy where visions of the future of polar research presented by the participants will be published in a special edition of a peer-reviewed journal.



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