

2026 ARCTIC FRONTIERS

TURN OF THE TIDE

2 - 5 FEB TROMSØ, NORWAY / DIGITAL

This is a snapshot of the program schedule as it looked like at 13:15 CET January 16th, 2026. The program may have since been updated. For the most up-to-date program, please consult the interactive version.

Monday 2nd February

09:00–10:30

09:00 - 10:30 Science

Monitoring, Modeling, and Mitigating the Consequences of Arctic Permafrost Change - Part 1

Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

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| 📍 Sebastian Westermann
University of Oslo | 📍 Gökhan Aslan
Geological Survey of Norway | 📍 Sylvain Monteux
Tromsø Museum - UiT The Arctic University of Norway | 📍 Nathalie Y. Triches
Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry | 📍 Juditha Aga
Department of Geosciences, University of Oslo |
| 📍 Tillmann Lübker
Alfred Wegener Institute
Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research | 📍 Abdullah Bolek
Max Planck Institute for Biogeochemistry, | | | |

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09:00 - 10:30 Science

Ocean Observational Pyramid - Part 1: From Seabed to Space Monitoring

Margarinfabrikken 3, the Edge

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| 📍 Sigurd Henrik J. Teigen
Equinor | 📍 Øivind Bergh
Senior Researcher
Institute of Marine Research | 📍 Polona Itkin
Norwegian Polar Institute | 📍 Corrado Chiatante
NTNU | 📍 Nora Ytterbø
KSAT |
| 📍 Hanne Sagen
Nansen Environmental and Remote Sensing Center | 📍 Espen Storheim
Nansen Environmental and Remote Sensing Center | | | |

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09:00 - 10:30 Science

High Tide for Arctic Preparedness - Part 1

Margarinfabrikken 1, the Edge

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| 📍 Helmi Aurora Rantala
University of Helsinki | 📍 Frøydis Gillund
Norwegian Institute of Bioeconomy Research | 📍 Magnus De Witt
University of Alaska Fairbanks | 📍 Magritt Brustad
UiT The Arctic University of Norway | 📍 Sebastian Maria Karl
Heinrich Kopf
Norwegian Institute for Water Research |
| 📍 Jennifer Spence
Director and Professor
Arctic Initiative, Harvard Kennedy School | 📍 James Badu
Nord University | | | |

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Side Event

Traceable Fisheries for a Prepared Arctic: Technology, Governance, and Food Security


Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

 **Truls Ræder**


Senior Research Scientist
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 **Pia Jonsson**

Senior Advisor
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 **Jan Roger Lerbukt**


CEO
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 **Petter Olsen**

Senior Scientist
Nofima

 **Signe Annie Sønvisen**

Associate Professor
UiT Arctic University of
Norway

 **Karolina Gruhn**

Director of Quality
Management
Espersen AS


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09:00 - 10:30


Side Event

Nature and Culture in the Anthropocene


Margarinfabrikken 2, the Edge

 **Kirstine Møller Gray**


Researcher
The Arctic Centre,
University of Groningen

 **Knut Rio**

Professor
University of Bergen

 **Torjer Andreas Olsen**


Professor
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Lise Øvreås**


President
European Academies
Science Advisory Council
(EASAC)

 **Marit Reigstad**

Professor
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Malgorzata Smieszek-**

Rice
Research Fellow
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Vicki Lee Wallgren**

Director of the Global Arctic
Programme
World Wildlife Foundation


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09:00 - 10:30


Workshop

Towards Holistic Approaches for Controlling Arctic Pollution: The One Health Concept


Nordsjetéen, Saga Hotel

 **Roland Kallenborn**


Professor
Norwegian University of
Life Sciences, Norway
Nord University, Norway
University of the Arctic,
Finland

 **Arja Rautio**

Professor
University of Oulu

 **Lars-Otto Reiersen**

Director
Arctic Knowledge

 **Elsa Helmsdal**

Researcher
Faroese Hospital System

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Science

Ocean Observational Pyramid - Part 2 - From Seabed to Space Monitoring

Margarinfabrikken 3, the Edge

Ulf Y. Jonsell

Swedish Polar Research
Secretariat

Sasu Katajamäki

Finnish National Defence
University

Philip A. McGillivray

US Coast Guard

Karin Buhmann

Copenhagen Business
School

Håkon J. Sandven

University of Bergen

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11:00 - 12:30

Science

High Tide for Arctic Preparedness - Part 2

Margarinfabrikken 1, the Edge

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University of Bergen

Dewan Ashan

Department of Business
and Sustainability,
University of Southern
Denmark

Linda Y. Brewer

T-3 Strategies LLC

Sofia Tija

George Washington
University

Volker Rachold

German Arctic Office,
Alfred Wegener Institute,
Helmholtz Center for Polar
and Marine Research

Jereme M. Altendorf

University of Alaska
Anchorage

Lokukaluge Prasad

Perera
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

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11:00 - 12:30

Science

Monitoring, Modeling, and Mitigating the Consequences of Arctic Permafrost Change - Part 2

Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

Tiffany Smythe

US Coast Guard Academy

Tobias Schwoerer

University of Alaska
Fairbanks International
Arctic Research Center

Tiril V. Hansen

Nordland Research
Institute

Eirin Makopoulou

University of Oulu

Ravdna Biret Marja E.

Sara
Sámi University of Applied
Sciences

Julie Malenfant-Lepage

Norwegian University of
Science and Technology

Hanne Hvidtfeldt

Christiansen
Professor
Aarhus University

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Side Event


Indigenous Engagement and Co-Creation in Arctic Research


 **Torjer Andreas Olsen**
Professor
UiT The Arctic University of Norway


 **Sara Olsvig**
Chair
Inuit Circumpolar Council

 **Gunn-Britt Retter**
Head of Arctic and Environmental Unit
Saami Council

 **Rune Vistad**
Director, Department for International Cooperation
The Research Council of Norway

 **Hanna-Maret Outakoski**
Sámi University of Applied Sciences
Professor

 **Jørgen Berge**
Pro Rector for Research
UiT The Arctic University of Norway

 **Virginia Mearns**
Arctic Ambassador for Canada

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11:00 - 12:30

Side Event

Empowering the Arctic: Reimagining Energy Security through Co-Creation and Collaboration

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

 **Berit Kristoffersen**
Associate Professor
UiT the Arctic University of Norway, Norway


 **Hans-Kristian Hernes**
Professor
UiT - the Arctic University of Norway


 **Claudia Cheng**
Researcher
UiT - The Arctic University of Norway


 **Larry Ibrahim Mohammed**
Researcher
UiT the Arctic University of Norway, Norway

 **Greg Poelzer**
Professor
University of Saskatchewan

 **Marit Magelssen Vambheim**
Director
Energi i Nord

 **Gwen Holdman**
Associate Vice Chancellor
University of Alaska - Fairbanks, USA

 **Gregory Poelzer**
Associate Senior Lecturer
Luleå University of Technology

 **Geir Håvard Hanssen**
Director of renewable energy
Troms Kraft

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Side Event

Turning the Tide Through Engaged Arctic Humanities

Margarinfabrikken 2, the Edge

 **Lilli Mittner**
Associate Professor / Coordinator of the Centre for Arctic Humanities
UiT - The Arctic University of Norway

 **Trude Fonneland**
Professor
UiT Arctic University of Norway

 **Eli-Anita Øivand Schøning**
Researcher
UiT Arctic University of Norway

 **Anniken Førde**
Professor
UiT Arctic University of Norway

 **Katrin Losleben**
Professor
UiT Arctic University of Norway

 **Kate Maxwell**
Professor
UiT Arctic University of Norway

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Workshop

Arctic Wildfire Preparedness & Terrain Trafficability

Nordsjeteén, Saga Hotel

 **Benjamin Strong**
EPPR

 **Mikko Strahlendorf**
Finnish Meteorological
Institute

 **Saara Lilja**
CEO
Emergenssi Ltd.


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11:00 - 12:30


Workshop


Use of AIS data for governing Arctic shipping


Sørsjeteén, Saga Hotel


 **Maike Knol-Kauffman**
Norwegian Institute for
Water Research

 **Sian Prior**
Lead Adviser
Clean Arctic Alliance

 **Gunnar Sander**
Senior Researcher
NIVA

 **Nina B. Vaaja**
Leader
BarentsWatch

 **Rob Ayasse**
KSAT

 **Arnaud Tarroux**
Norwegian Institute for
Nature Research

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Science

Living with the Ocean - Exhibition Launch

 **Jonas Stein**
Vice Rector
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Lilli Mittner**
Associate Professor /
Coordinator of the Centre for
Arctic Humanities
 **Linus Johnsen**
Norwegian-Sámi Artist

 **Cathrine Paus**
Head of Public Operation
Arctic University Museum of
Norway

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Nordic Science Cooperation in the Arctic: Lessons That Matter

Margarinfabrikken 2, the Edge

Rune Vistad

Director, Department for
International Cooperation
The Research Council of
Norway

Sven Stafström

Professor
Linköping University

Christina Abildgaard

Department Director
Research Council of
Norway

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Laura Forsström

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Research Council of
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Malou Platou Johansen

Lecturer
Ilisimatusarfik - University
of Greenland

David Hik

Chief Scientist and
Executive Director
(Programs)
Polar Knowledge Canada

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Side Event

Space Weather: Prepare and Protect

Margarinfabrikken 3, the Edge

Pål Brekke

Lead Space Science
Norwegian Space Agency

Magnar G. Johnsen

Observatory Leader
Tromsø Geophysical
Observatory, UiT Arctic
University of Norway

Per Erik Opseth

Director, Geodetic Institute
Norwegian Mapping
Authority

Kåre Rudsar

Senior consultant
Statsnett

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Side Event

How can Industry Positively Contribute to Biodiversity?

Importkompaniet, the Edge

Vicki Lee Wallgren

Director of the Global Arctic
Programme
World Wildlife Foundation

Gerry Larsson-Fedde

Chief Operating
Officer/Deputy CEO
Hurtigruten

Hans Kristian Strand

Researcher
Institute of Marine
Research

Ida Marie Evensen

Leading Advisor for Impact
Assessment and
Biodiversity
Equinor

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Vice President
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Øystein Leiknes

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Biodiversity
Norwegian Environment
Agency

Tone Kristin Reiertsen

Project leader
MARCIS

Solrun Skjellum

Chief Development Officer
NIVA

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Side Event


Fram Talks at Arctic Frontiers: Communicating Arctic Science!

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 **Aksel Kjær Vidnes**
Editor-in-Chief
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 **Nellie Sofie Body**
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Norwegian Geotechnical
Institute

 **Laura Pirard**
Researcher
Akvaplan-niva

 **Kari Anne Bråthen**
Professor
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway


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Side Event


The Arctic Deep Sea


Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

 **Pedro Ribeiro**
Research Professor
University of Bergen

 **Mari H Eilertsen**
University of Bergen
Researcher

 **Ida H Steen**
University of Bergen
Professor

 **Eoghan Reeves**
University of Bergen
Professor

 **Steffen L Jørgensen**
University of Bergen
Associate Professor

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Side Event


The Nordic Food Frontline: Resilience Through Production and Partnership


Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge


 **Sigrid Agenäs**
Professor
Swedish University of
Agricultural Science (SLU)

 **Anu Kaukoviirta**
Vice President Production
Technologies
Natural Resource Institute
Finland


 **Ivar Homeland**
Director general
NIBIO

 **Hildegunn Norheim**
Director of Division of
Survey and Statistics
NIBIO

 **Gjermund Bahr**
Senior Advisor
NIBIO

 **Jannik Traavik Mennen**

 **Ida-Sofie Stryken**
PhD fellow
UiT - The Arctic University
of Norway

 **Oskar Puschmann**
Photographer and
landscape geographer
NIBIO

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Workshop

Sustainable Urban Development - Lessons from the Arctic

Nordsjetéen, Saga Hotel



Stefano Tormieri
Assistant Professor
Jade University of Applied
Sciences



Alenka Temeljotov Salaj
Professor
NTNU



Sobah Abbas Petersen
Professor
NTNU & SINTEF



Aman Luthra
Assistant Professor
George Washington
University



Bindu G
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Nansen Environmental
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Victoria Miles
Scientist
Nansen Environmental and
Remote Sensing Centre
(NERSC)



Per Storø Petersen
Researcher
SINTEF



Igor Ezau
UiT - The Arctic University
of Norway

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Workshop

The Greenland Connection: Uncovering the Hidden Histories of UK-Greenland Exploration

Sørsjetéen, Saga Hotel



Owen King
Newcastle University



Bethan Davies
Professor
Newcastle University



Klaus Dodds
Professor
Middlesex University



Kirstine Møller Gray
Researcher
The Arctic Centre,
University of Groningen

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Networking

Canadian Gathering

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
Maintaining and Developing Arctic Observing Capabilities - Part 1


Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge


 **Kate Ortenzi**
Dalhousie University


 **Jon Rosales**
St. Lawrence University

 **Ann Eileen Lennert**
UiT The Arctic University of
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 **Alberto Roldán Sastre**
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 **Matthew S. Balazs**
University of Alaska
Fairbanks

 **Jacqueline M. Grebmeier**
University of Maryland
Center for Environmental
Science

 **Michael Karcher**
Alfred Wegener Institute for
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
Science


High Tide for Arctic Preparedness - Part 3

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 **Alexander Dalziel**
MacDonald-Laurier
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 **Abbie Tingstad**
Center for Arctic Study and
Policy, US Coast Guard
Academy

 **Maaïke Knol-Kauffman**
Norwegian Institute for
Water Research

 **Johan Schalin**
The European Centre of
Excellence for Countering
Hybrid Threats

 **Angela G. Jackson-
Summers**
U. S. Coast Guard
Academy

 **Torleiv H. Bryne**
Norwegian University of
Science and Technology

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Side Event


On Thin Ice: Overtourism, Ecosystems and Livelihoods in the Arctic


Importkompaniet, the Edge

 **Kristin Rosendal**
Research Professor
Fridtjof Nansen Institute

 **Ágúst Bogason**
Senior Research Adviser
Nordregio

 **Guttorm Aanes**
Nordforsk

 **Helga Bårdsdatter
Kristiansen**
Sustainability Advisor
Tromsø Municipality

 **Ellen-Sara Sparrok**
Vice President
Saami Council

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Side Event


High Seas Biodiversity Conservation and Use in the Arctic

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

 **Alf Håkon Hoel**
Professor
UiT Arctic University of Norway

 **Vito De Lucia**
Professor & Director
Norwegian Centre for the Law of the Sea

 **Shigeki Takaya**
Senior Research Fellow
Sasakawa Peace Foundation | Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Japan

 **Evan T. Bloom**
Senior Advisor
Centre for the Ocean and the Arctic, UiT

 **Vicki Lee Wallgren**
Director of the Global Arctic Programme
World Wildlife Foundation

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Side Event


Critical Minerals: Supply Chains, Geopolitics, China, and the Arctic


Margarinfabrikken 2, the Edge


 **Silje Karine Muotka**
President
Sámi Parliament of Norway


 **Gørild Heggelund**
Research Professor
Fridtjof Nansen Institute


 **Iselin Stensdal**
Senior Researcher
Fridtjof Nansen Institute


 **Anders Edström**
Researcher
Nord University

 **Ida Soltvedt Hvinden**
Researcher
Fridtjof Nansen Institute

 **Simon Holmström**
Senior Deep-Sea Mining
Policy Officer
Seas at Risk

 **Marianne Dobak Kvensjø**
Head of County Council
Nordland County

 **Nick Bæk Heilman**
Senior Associate
Kaya Partners

 **Kjell Magne Grønnli**
Country Manager
Kingsrose Finnmark


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15:30 - 17:00


Side Event


Russian Propaganda in the Arctic: How Does it Damage the Environment?

Margarinfabrikken 3, the Edge

 **Benjamin Shultz**
Lead Researcher
American Sunlight Project

 **Ksenia Vakhrusheva**
Project manager and Arctic project advisor
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 **Sian Prior**
Lead Adviser
Clean Arctic Alliance

 **Thomas Nilsen**
Editor
The Barents Observer

 **Yury Sergeev**
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Workshop


High Level Dialogue on Green Shipping and Ports


Nordsjetéen, Saga Hotel

 **Gunnar Wilhelmsen**
Mayor
Tromsø Municipality


 **Umji Kim**
Director of the Polar
Strategy Research Division
Korea Maritime Institute


 **Sang-Hyup Kim**
Director-General
GGGI


 **Mads Qvist Frederiksen**
Executive Director
Arctic Economic Council

 **Hyoungh Chul Shin**
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Korea Polar Research
Institute


 **Jon Arve Røyset**
Project manager
Norwegian Coastal
Administration & Protection
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Group (PAME), Arctic
Council

 **Jørn-Even Hanssen**
Director
Tromsø Port

 **Øistein Kaarbø**
Maritime Director
Narvik Port

 **Karen Sandrini**
ESG and Sustainability
Director
Esbjerg Port

 **Ingvald Solvang**
Director of Program
Development
Global Green Growth
Institute

 **Peter Normann Vangsbo**
Associate Director, Climate
and Sustainability Services
Arup

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Science


Interdisciplinary Poster Session - In Person


Venue: Saga Hotel


 **Sigurd Henrik J. Teigen**
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 **Kate Ortenzi**
Dalhousie University


 **Philip A. McGilivray**
US Coast Guard


 **Magnus De Witt**
University of Alaska
Fairbanks


 **Tiril V. Hansen**
Nordland Research
Institute


 **Tillmann Lübker**
Alfred Wegener Institute
Helmholtz Centre for Polar
and Marine Research


 **Angela G. Jackson-Summers**
U. S. Coast Guard
Academy


 **Ravdna Biret Marja E. Sara**
Sámi University of Applied
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 **Christina Shintani**
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 **Julie Malenfant-Lepage**
Norwegian University of
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 **Cherry M. Jackson**
Royal Holloway

 **Emily Cook**
Alaska Center of Energy
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 **Vivian Motzfeldt**
Minister of Foreign Affairs
and Research of
Greenland


 **Mark CJ Stoddart**
Memorial University


 **Dyre Oliver Dammann**
Norwegian Geotechnical
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 **Marta Koch**
Imperial College London


 **Lucie Goraguer**
Norwegian Polar Institute

 **Jaimeer B. Patel**
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 **Ethan Easley**
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Academy


 **Camille Audet**
Université du Québec à
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 **Hayley McLennan**
University of St. Andrews


 **Clare Andvik**
University of Oslo


 **Asia Mantovan**
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway


 **Katarzyna Anna Ostapowicz**
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 **Christian Rischer**
Kiel Institute for the World
Economy

 **Marja Helena Sivonen**
Finnish Environment
Institute


 **Judith Vogt**
Max Planck Institute for
Biogeochemistry


 **Joel V. Wernström**
The Arctic University
Museum of Norway, UiT


 **Serafima Andreeva**
Fridtjof Nansen Institute

 **Thea Grunwald**
UiT The Arctic University of
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 **Jakub Petříček**
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway


 **Elizaveta Ershova-Menze**
Akvaplan-niva


 **Pipatthra Saesin**
Norwegian Institute for
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 **Agnieszka Beszcynska-Möller**
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 **Yui Nakama**
NEC Corporation

 **Guenther Heinemann**
University of Trier

 **Pierre Priou**
Akvaplan-niva

 **Christiane E. Hübner**
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 **Michelle R. McCrystall**
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 **Clara Good**
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Larissa Frey Stockholm University	Agneta Fransson Norwegian Polar Institute	Elli Suhonen Finnish Meteorological Institute	Jason E. Bunderson Toler Nord University	Sascha Willmes Trier University
Hannah Bornemann, Aleksander Czarny & Gina-Maria Diers UIT The Arctic University of Norway	Rúben Pereira CIIMAR, Interdisciplinary Centre of Marine and Environmental Research, University of Porto	Heli Routti Norwegian Polar Institute	Jihoon Joeng Korea Arctic Research Consortium	Liliya Hebryn-Baidy Scott Polar Research Institute
Sophie May Weeks Scott Polar Research Institute	Gareth Rees Scott Polar Research Institute	Owen King Newcastle University	Gustav Kågesten HUB Ocean	Janne E. Søreide University Centre in Svalbard
Morven Muilwijk Norwegian Polar Institute	Farzana Shakir Ali Rana	Jan Mikolajczyk University of Warsaw	Dianna Farrell University of Southern Maine	Johanne Albrigtsen University of Nevada
Leeza O. Pickering Bangor University	Kirsi H. Keskitalo Northumbria University	Hanne Hvidtfeldt Christiansen Professor Aarhus University	Torild Johansen Institute of Marine Research, Norway	Marianne Tronstad Lund Forsker CICERO
Dawn Harrison UK Meteorological Institute	Fred Haugen National Institute of Occupational Health (STAMI)	Marthe Fivelstad Norwegian Polar Institute	Roman Zakoldaev UIT - The Arctic University of Norway	Guðbjörg Á Ólafsdóttir Professor & Director University of Iceland Research Centre of the Westfjords
Soheil Shayegh Researcher Fondazione CMCC	Luke Macpherson PhD Candidate Northumbria University	Claire Semerod United States Coast Guard Academy		

17:30 - 19:00

Science

Digital Poster Session

Online

Céline Rodrigues & Homa Zodi IPRI-NOVA, Universidade Nova de Lisboa & Université de Montréal	Madhushri Shrikant Varunjikar Institute of Marine Research	Rasa Zuzeviciute Norwegian University of Science and Technology	Zsanett Greta Papp European Geosciences Union	Sigríður Margrét Sigurðardóttir University of Akureyri
Thi Mai Lien Nguyen University of Helsinki				

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Evening

19:00 - 22:00

Networking

Science Reception

19:00 - 19:45

Open

Det store bildet live podcastinnspilling

Skirri restaurant, Kystens Hus, Stortorget 1

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Open

Nordområdene gjennom 20 år

Skirri restaurant, Kystens Hus, Stortorget 1


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Open

Hvordan påvirker klima folk flest?

Amtmandens etf. Grønnegata 83, 9008 Tromsø

 **Marianne Tronstad Lund**
Forsker
CICERO

 **Rolf Anker Ims**
Professor
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Marie Pontoppidan**
Forsker
NORCE / Bjerknessenteret

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TURN OF THE TIDE

2 - 5 FEB TROMSØ, NORWAY / DIGITAL

Tuesday 3rd February


08:00-09:15

08:00 - 09:15


Open


Reiseliv i Tromsø: Et godt sted å bo er et godt sted å besøke. Når krysses grensen?

Tromsø Rådhus, Rådhusgata 2, 9008 Tromsø

 **Kari Helene Skog**
Politiker (Ap) og leder
Reisemålsledelse
Tromsø Kommune

 **Gaute Svensson**
Forsker
UiT Norges arktiske
universitet

 **Magne Aarbø**
Grunnlegger
Tromsø Outdoor

 **Christoffer Winkler**
Tromsø Ungdomsråd


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08:30-11:00

08:30 - 11:00

Workshop

JSPS Norway-Japan Academic Network

 **Rasmus Gjedssø**
Bertelsen
UiT - The Arctic University of
Norway

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
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Science

Climate Change and Cumulative Effects on Ecosystems - Part 1


Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge


 **Bérengère Husson**
CNRS

 **Elena Eriksen**
Institute of Marine
Research

 **Lisa Matthes**
Fisheries and Oceans
Canada

 **Melissa Chierici**
Institute of Marine
Research

 **Pedro Manuel Duarte**
Norwegian Polar Institute

 **Uwe John**
Alfred-Wegener-Institute
für Polar und
Meeresforschung

 **Edda Johannesen**
Forsker
Havforskningsinstituttet

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Science


Maintaining and Developing Arctic Observing Capabilities - Part 2

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

 **Luke H. Marsden**
The University Centre in
Svalbard

 **Nigel G. Yoccoz**
UiT Arctic University of
Norway

 **Craig M. Lee**
University of Washington

 **Jan R. Larsen**
Sustaining Arctic
Observing Networks
(SAON)


[More Info](#)

09:00 - 10:30


Side Event


Rising Voices: Indigenous Women Leading Arctic Transformation


Margarinfabrikken, the Edge

 **Mary Simon**
Governor General of
Canada

 **Silje Karine Muotka**
President
Sámi Parliament of Norway

 **Sara Olsvig**
Chair
Inuit Circumpolar Council

 **Virginia Mearns**
Arctic Ambassador for
Canada

 **Taylor Jobin**


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09:00 - 10:30


Side Event

Bird's Eye View: AI and Satellites for Arctic Resilience

Roald Amundsen, Saga Hotel

 **Victoria Nockles**
Principal Data Scientist
Alan Turing Institute

 **Scott Hosking**
Science Leader and Head
of the AI Lab
British Antarctic Survey

 **Robert Jenssen**
Director
SFI Visual Intelligence


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09:00 - 10:30


Side Event

Seabed Minerals - Where Are We Today?


Importkompaniet, the Edge

 **Anette BM Tvedt**
CEO
aDepth

 **Simon Holmström**
Senior Deep-Sea Mining
Policy Officer
Seas at Risk

 **Endre Tvinneim**
Professor
University of Bergen

 **Stig-Morten Knutsen**
TC-Improved Exploration
The Norwegian Offshore
Directorat

 **Anita Evenset**
Department Director
Akvaplan-niva

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Side Event


Emerging No More: Arctic Leaders at Work: Reflections, Relationships, and Collaboration


Sørsjetéen og Nordsjetéen, Saga Hotel


 **Kevin Heller**
Climate Adaptation Project
Manager
Alaska Native Tribal Health
Consortium


 **Jens Toft**
Project Coordinator
Arctic Council Secretariat

 **Pauke Schots**
Postdoctoral Researcher in
the Seafood Science
UiT - the Arctic University
of Norway

 **Conor Savage**
Edinburgh City Council
Member

 **Pouya Dabiran-Zohoori**
External Assistant General
Counsel
Crosslinx Transit Solutions

 **Linda Solstrand Dahlberg**
Head of Brussels Office
UiT - the Arctic University
of Tromsø in Norway

 **Caroline Buus Ponthieu**
PhD Candidate
NTNU


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09:00 - 10:30


Side Event

Russia's War in Ukraine: Arctic Impacts

Gamle Tromsø, Saga Hotel

 **Elana Wilson Rowe**
Professor, NMBU and
Adjunct Professor, NUPI

 **Kari Aga Myklebost**
Professor
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Thomas Nilsen**
Editor
The Barents Observer

 **MEP Urmas Paet**
Vice Chair of the Committee
of Foreign Affairs
European Parliament

 **Bjarge Schwenke Fors**
Researcher
Center for Geopolitics,
Peace, and Security, UiT
The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Marc Lanteigne**
Professor
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

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11:00-12:30


11:00 - 12:30


Big Picture


Arctic State of Affairs

Margarinfabrikken, the Edge

 **Espen Barth Eide**
Minister of Foreign Affairs of
Norway

 **Vivian Motzfeldt**
Minister of Foreign Affairs
and Research of Greenland

 **Mary Simon**
Governor General of Canada

 **Åsa Rennermalm**
Professor
Rutgers University

 **Kaja Kallas**
High Representative of the
Union for Foreign Affairs and
Security Policy/ Vice
President
EU Commission

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Workshop

National Developments and Infrastructure Investments for IPY V

By Invitation Only

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13:30-15:00

13:30 - 15:00

Science

Climate Change and Cumulative Effects on Ecosystems - Part 2

Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

📍 **Martin Lindegren**
DTU Aqua

📍 **Mikhail K. Zhemchuzhnikov**
Mediterranean Institute for
Advanced Studies

📍 **Ingjerd S. Krogseth**
NILU

📍 **Martin Sommerkorn**
WWF Global Arctic
Programme

📍 **Khuong V. Dinh**
Section for Aquatic Biology
and Toxicology,
Department of
Biosciences, University of
Oslo

📍 **Kanchana Bandara**
Akvaplan-niva

📍 **Hao Xia**
University of Hamburg

📍 **Lia Laureen Schulz**
Alfred Wegener Institute

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13:30 - 15:00

Science

Governance and Policy for Sustainable Space Activities - Part 1

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

📍 **Fiammetta Borgia**
Professor
University of Rome Tor
Vergata, Italian Centre for
Law of the Sea

📍 **Fabio Calzolari**
Mae Fah Luang University

📍 **Giacomo Bruni**
Peace Research Institute
Oslo

📍 **Leonardo Cerisano**
Satta Romano & Associati

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13:30 - 15:00

Side Event

Aquaculture Innovations in Environmental Monitoring and Early Warning

Importkompaniet, the Edge

📍 **Malin Johansen**
CEO
NCE Aquaculture

📍 **Knut Rudi**
Professor
Norwegian University of
Life Sciences

📍 **Silje Ramsvatn**
Sustainability Manager
Cermaq Norway

📍 **Tormod Skålsvik**
Business Developer
Nova Sea

📍 **Kathy Dunlop**
Researcher
Institute of Marine
Research

📍 **Halfdan Melbye**
Partner & Lawyer
SANDS Advokatfirma

📍 **Frank Bakke Jensen**
Director
The Norwegian Fisheries
Directorate

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Side Event


Safety, Security and Social Sustainability in the Nordic Arctic


Roald Amundsen, Saga Hotel


 **Kristina Torbergesen**
Mayor
Troms County Council


 **Dag Rune Olsen**
Rector
UiT Arctic University of
Norway | Arctic Six


 **Marie-Louise Rönmark**
Mayor
Umeå Municipality


 **Ari Alatossava**
Mayor
Oulu Municipality


 **Gunnar Wilhelmsen**
Mayor
Tromsø Municipality

 **Carina Sammeli**
Mayor
Luleå Municipality


 **Martin Nymo**
Mayor
Målselv Municipality

 **Brynjar Saus**
Project Leader
True North 2026

 **Martine Lødding**
Project Leader
True North 2026

 **Thomas Bentzen**
Co-founder and CEO
LOCAT3D AS

 **Unni Kløvstad**
Director
Nordic Council of Ministers

 **Petri Saravesi**
Sales Manager
KL Mechanics

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13:30 - 15:00


Side Event


Building What Outlives Us: Arctic Youth in Unison


Margarinfabriken, the Edge

 **Ronja E. M. Wedegärtner**
Project Leader
WWF Global Arctic
Programme


 **Brynjar Saus**
Project Leader
True North 2026

 **Sarah Marie Strand**
Executive Director
Association of Polar Early
Career Scientists

 **Louis Chemnitz**
Member
Kingdom of Denmark's
Arctic Council Chairship
Youth Committee

 **Olga Ievleva**
Chair
of Arctic Youth Network
Board of Directors

 **Ole Martin M. Nygård**
Vice Chair
Barent Regional Youth
Council

 **Kaja Kulsvehagen**
Troms Regional Youth
Council

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13:30-17:00

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Workshop

Pan-Arctic Coexistence: Balancing Growth and Conservation along the Coasts

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Science

Climate Change and Cumulative Effects on Ecosystems Part 3


Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

 Doreen Kohlbach


Alfred Wegener Institute

 Mats A. Granskog


Norwegian Polar Institute

 Vanessa Pitusi


UiT The Arctic University of Norway

 Sanna Majaneva


Akvaplan-niva

 Anna Vader

University Center in Svalbard (UNIS)


 Maxime Geoffroy

Marine Institute of

 Memorial University of

Newfoundland and

Labrador

 Dewi Ford

University of Exeter


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15:30 - 17:00

Science


Governance and Policy for Sustainable Space Activities - Part 2

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

 Johannes Schmied-


Wirén

Nord University

 Indrapal Gurjar


Jawaharlal Nehru

University

 James Francis

European Space Policy

Institute

 Marco Grasso

Kongsberg Defence &

Aerospace


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15:30 - 17:00

Side Event


Reconciling Security, Development, and Sustainability in the Arctic

Importkompaniet, the Edge

 Jan-Gunnar Winther


Director

Centre for the Ocean and the Arctic at UiT


 Oda Bjerkan

CEO

UN Global Compact Norway

 Andreas Raspotnik

Nord University

 Alf Håkon Hoel


Professor

UiT Arctic University of Norway

 Morten Albertsen


Harbor Master

Båtsfjord

 Lars Saunes


Professor/Rear Admiral

Royal Norwegian Navy (ret), USNWC

 Øyvind Dunsæd


Commodore and

Commander Norwegian Coast Guard

 Gunnar Rekvig

Project Manager

Centre for the Ocean and the Arctic, UiT

 Michael Reiffenstuel

Director for the Western

Balkans, Türkiye, Council

of Europe and OSCE and

Arctic Policy

German Federal Foreign

Office

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Side Event

Space Made Simple - Unlocking Opportunities Across Industries

Gamle Tromsø, Saga Hotel



Phillip Thomas
Head of ScaleUp Division
ESA



Ole Morten Olsen
Director of Business
Development and
Innovation
Norwegian Space Agency



Maja-Stina Ekstedt
EVP Sustainability, Public
Relations &
Communication
KSAT



Guiseppe Borghi
Head of the Φ-lab Division
ESA



Nils Haga
ESA Business Applications
Ambassador
Kjeller Innovasjon AS



Arne Gjennestad
Marketing Manager,
Defence Space &
Surveillance (Missiles &
Space)
Kongsberg Defence &
Aerospace (KDA)



Martin Modell Grande
CEO
Tycho Space

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15:30 - 17:00

Side Event

Academia in Times of Geopolitical Change

Margarinfabrikken, the Edge



Andreas Østhagen
Research Director Arctic
and Ocean Politics
Fridtjof Nansen Institutt



Jonas Stein
Vice Rector
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway



Camilla Brekke
Director
Norwegian Polar Institute



Tor Eldevik
Head of Geophysical
Institute
University of Bergen



Lise Øvreås
President
European Academies
Science Advisory Council
(EASAC)



Mike Sfraga
Ambassador & Interim
Chancellor
University of Alaska
Fairbanks

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16:00-18:00

16:00 - 18:00

Workshop

Forging the Future of the Central Arctic Ocean

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Big Picture

The Space to Collaborate

Margarinfabriken, the Edge

Josef Wiedemann
Sales Director
Isar Aerospace

Géraldine Naja
Director of
Commercialisation, Industry
and Competitiveness
European Space Agency
(ESA)

Curtis Shaw
President
Northwestel

Liz Lloyd
Parliamentary Under-
Secretary of State
Department for Science,
Innovation and Technology
and the Department for
Business and Trade

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Evening

18:00 - 19:30

Open

Fremtidens energi i Arktis: Ditt valg

Parkgata 27/29, 9008, TROMSØ

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18:00 - 20:00

Open

Båtsfjordkveld: In Cod We Trust – Kulturaften om og med Båtsfjord m/ eksklusiv kinofilmsniktitt

Tankrommet, Bryggeriet Scene

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19:00 - 20:00

Open

Breaking with colonial practices and strengthening collaboration with Greenland - bridging local and scientific knowledge

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19:30 - 21:30

Networking

Emerging Leaders Reception

Cafe Sønn, Erling Bangsunds plass 1, 9008 Tromsø

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20:00 - 22:00


Open


Science on Tap!

Storgata Camping

 **Vanessa Pitusi**
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

 **Johanne Albrigtsen**
University of Nevada

 **Delphin Ruché**
Director
Rissa Citizen Science

 **Jane Zimmermann**
illustrator
Pixiepencil

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Wednesday 4th February


08:00-09:15

08:00 - 09:15 Open


Hvordan kan samiske verdier forme framtidens Tromsø?-


Tromsø Rådhus, Rådhusgata 2, 9008 Tromsø

 **Gunnar Wilhelmsen**
Mayor
Tromsø Municipality

 **Joar Nango**
Arkitekt og kunstner

 **Brynhild Granås**
Forsker
UIT Norges arktiske universitet

 **Juhán Nikolaus Wuolab Wollberg**
Medlem i styringsgruppen
Europeisk Ungdomshovedstad

 **Bodil Kjelstrup**
Direktør
Hålogaland Teater


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09:00-10:30


09:00 - 10:30 Science


Climate Change and Cumulative Effects on Ecosystems - Part 4

Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

 **Kate Ortenzi**
Dalhousie University

 **Morgen G. Bertheussen**
McGill University

 **Justin Langan**
O'KANATA

 **Shivangi Mishra**
Arctic Institute of North America, University of Calgary


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09:00 - 10:30 Science


Maritime Extremes: Communication, Uncertainty and Emerging Technologies Part 1

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

 **Irja Malmio**
Swedish Defence University

 **Odd Sveinung Hareide**
Norwegian Coastal Administration

 **Sebastian Maria Karl Heinrich Kopf**
Norwegian Institute for Water Research


 **Alexandra Middleton**
Oulu Business School


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09:00 - 10:30 Side Event

Looking Back, Moving Forward: 30 Years of Nordic Arctic Cooperation

Margarinfabrikken, the Edge

 **Sara Olsvig**
Chair
Inuit Circumpolar Council

 **Svein Vigeland Rottem**
Senior Researcher
Fridtjof Nansen Institute

 **Unni Kløvstad**
Director
Nordic Council of Ministers

 **Ole Martin Melbøe Nygård**
Vice Chair
Barents Regional Youth Council

 **Inga M. W. Nyhamar**
Senior Adviser
Ministry of Foreign Affairs Norway

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Side Event

Intergenerational Capacity Sharing: The Connection between Nature and Youth

Sørsjetéen, Saga Hotel

Vesa Orassalo

Skolt Sámi Fisherman and
Student
University of Lapland

Jessica Aquino
Associate Professor
Hólar University

Rauni Äärelä-Vihriälä
Senior Researcher
University of Lapland

Lemet M. Hætta
Student | Saami Council -
Sáttanourat/Sámi Youth
Delegate

Ingrid Eline Barrabés
Gørrissen
Leader
Arktis Natur og Ungdom
(NU Arktis)

Hans Ravna-Pieski
Student

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09:00 - 10:30

Side Event

Thriving Together in a Globally-Connected Arctic: Re-framing Governance Beyond Exceptionalism

Importkompaniet, the Edge

Jennifer Spence
Director and Professor
Arctic Initiative, Harvard
Kennedy School

Rolf Rødven
Executive Secretary
AMAP

Gosia Smieszek-Rice
Research Fellow
AMAP

Umji Kim
Director of the Polar
Strategy Research Division
Korea Maritime Institute

David Balton
Senior Fellow
Harvard Kennedy School's
Arctic Initiative

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09:00 - 10:30

Side Event

Strengthening and Sustaining Pan-Arctic cooperation: Arctic Urban and Regional Cooperation (AURC) and its future collaboration with the Arctic Mayors' Forum

Gamle Tromsø & Roald Amundsen, Saga Hotel

Carina Sammeli
Mayor
Luleå Municipality

Patti Bruns
Secretary General
Arctic Mayors' Forum

Elsa Berg
Mayor of Tórshavn
Municipality

Julia Seljeseth
International Advisor,
Political Secretariat
Tromsø Kommune

Ben Hendriksen
Mayor of Yellowknife

Claude Véron-Réville
European External Action
Service
EU Special Envoy for Arctic
Matters

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11:00 - 12:30 Big Picture

Building Up the Arctic

Margarinfabriken, the Edge

👤 **Jonas Gahr Støre**
Prime Minister of Norway

👤 **Silje Karine Muotka**
President
Sámi Parliament of Norway

👤 **Natan Obed**
President
Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami

👤 **Baiba Braže**
Minister of Foreign Affairs of
Latvia

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13:30-15:00

13:30 - 15:00 Science

Maritime Extremes: Communication, Uncertainty and Emerging Technologies Part 2

Arbeidskontoret 2, the Edge

👤 **Malte Müller**
Norwegian Meteorological
Institute

👤 **Jereme M. Altendorf**
University of Alaska
Anchorage

👤 **Ed Blockley**
Met Office UK

👤 **Benjamin Strong**
EPFR

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13:30 - 15:00 Science

Climate Change and Cumulative Effects on Ecosystems - Part 5

Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge

👤 **Ronja E. M. Wedegärtner**
Project Leader
WWF Global Arctic
Programme

👤 **Benjamin Planque**
Institute of Marine
Research

👤 **Eirik Mikkelsen**
Nofima

👤 **Bodil A. Bluhm**
UiT The Arctic University of
Norway

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13:30 - 15:00 Side Event

The Maritime Transportation System in Northern Norway – Ongoing Challenges and Future Solutions

Importkompaniet, the Edge

👤 **Bjørn Gunnarsson**
Associate Professor
Nord University

👤 **Kjell Stokvik**
Director
Centre for High North
Logistics

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Side Event


Mohn Prize 2026 Panel Debate: Arctic Monitoring - Understanding Current and Future Challenges through Examining the Past

Gamle Tromsø & Roald Amundsen, Saga Hotel

 **John Smol**
Mohn Prize Laureate

 **Nils Christian Stenseth**
Professor
University of Oslo

 **Marie Bulínová**
PhD Candidate
UiT - The Arctic University
of Norway

 **Anders Schomacker**
Professor
UiT - The Arctic University
of Norway


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13:30 - 15:00

Side Event


"Who is the Arctic?" – A True North 2026 Townhall

Margarinfabrikken, the Edge

 **Ylva Helene Schwenke**

 **Emilia Taimi**
Doctoral Researcher
University of Lapland

 **Brett Campeau**
Government of Nunavut

 **Julius Mikhal Lindi**
Project Advisor
Arctic and Environmental
Unit of the Saami Council

 **Kathrin Kuhn**
Director of Mission
Andøya Spaceport


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13:30 - 15:00

Workshop


Arctic Ocean: New Challenges, New Frontiers, and the Role of Science Diplomacy in Sustainable Cooperation'

Nordsjeteén, Saga Hotel

 **Steeve Comeau**
Research Scientist
Laboratoire
d'Océanographie de
Villefranche-sur-Mer


 **Héloïse Caraty**
Researcher
Laboratoire
d'Océanographie de
Villefranche


 **Keith Larson**
Director
Arctic Centre, Umeå
University


 **Philippe Archambeault**
Professor
Université Laval


 **Vito de Lucia**
Professor
UiT - The Arctic University
of Norway

 **Mette Mila**
Special Advisor
Research Council of
Norway


 **Rolf Rødven**
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 **Geir Huse**
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Institute of Marine
Research

 **Christina Abildgaard**
Department Director
Research Council of
Norway

 **Arild Sundfjord**
Senior Researcher
Norwegian Polar Institute

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Big Picture

The Ebb & Flow of Economies

Margarinfabrikken, the Edge

Håkon Haugli
CEO
Innovation Norway

Ben Mallott
President
Alaska Federation of Natives

Whitney Lackenbauer
Professor
Trent University

Miki Jensen
Director
Innovation South Greenland

Joanna Kunttonen-van't
Riet
Corporate Affairs Manager
AA Sakatti Mining Oy

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Evening

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Open

Thirty years of Arctic Cooperation

Storgata Camping

Gunn-Britt Retter
Head of Arctic and
Environmental Unit
Saami Council

Benjamin Strong
EPFR

Kenneth Høegh
Chair Senior Arctic Officials
Kingdom of Denmark

Morten Høglund
Former Arctic Council Chair
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of
Norway

Svein Vigeland Rottem
Senior Researcher
Fridtjof Nansen Institute

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18:00 - 19:30

Networking

Tideturner reception

By invitation only

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18:00 - 19:30

Open

Hva skjer når EU stemmer nei til Norge?

Amtmandens Eftf.

Tor Eldevik
Head of Geophysical
Institute
University of Bergen

Endre Tvinnereim
Professor
University of Bergen

Troy Saghaug
Broderstad
Associate Professor
UiT - The Arctic University
of Norway

Arne O. Holm
Redaktør
High North News

Maja Sojtaric
Politisk redaktør
Nordlys

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19:30 - 22:00

Networking

Main Reception

2026 ARCTIC FRONTIERS

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Thursday 5th February


08:00-09:15


08:00 - 09:15


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Fremtidens stemmer –Hvordan ser Arktis ut i 2050?

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Side Event


Self-sufficiency to energy leaders: Arctic solutions for an energy secure region


Arbeidskontoret 1, the Edge


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Nature-Based Solutions

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Arctic Sovereignty, Self-Determination and Indigenous Knowledge in a Precarious Future

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Side Event

Blue Economy in a Nordic perspective

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Øivind Bergh
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Side Event

Society and Advanced Technology (SATA) 2.1 - transdisciplinary Arctic graduate education

Importkompaniet, the Edge

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Arctic Ocean 2050

Margarinfabrikken, the Edge

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Big Picture

Stories from the Coast

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