

In-house Working Document



Arctic Circle Assembly
Reykjavík, October 12-14

PROGRAM

First edition – 30th August

Confirmed sessions and speakers,
panelists and other speakers will be added in September

The secretariat will also facilitate networking and bilateral meetings, and other contact opportunities according to the wishes of individual participants and participating organizations.

Friday October 11th

17:30 Welcome Reception

18:30 Welcome Dinner

Saturday October 12th

8:00-9:00 Networking breakfast

9:00-15:00 Plenary Sessions

Plenary session 1:

Opening Session

Plenary Session 2:

Climate Change – A Plan for Action?

Plenary Session 3:

Arctic Ice Melt – Global Weather Events

Plenary session 4:

A New Global Initiative

Plenary Session 5:

Arctic Lessons for the Himalaya-Third Pole region

15:00-19:00 Side Sessions

Side Session A:

Arctic Security

Organized by the Northern Research Forum and the Thematic Network on Geopolitics and Security

- Changes in a state of security of the Arctic
- Historical, Current and Future North Atlantic Security: Micro-States, Small States, Middle Powers and Super Powers
- Future history of state sovereignty and national security in the globalized Arctic

Side Session B:

Business Cooperation

Organized by the World Ocean Council

- Infrastructure — Energy — Shipping — Mining — Oil and gas — Tourism

Side Session C:

Polar Law

Organized by the Symposium of Polar Law

Side Session D:

Indigenous Cooperation

Organized by indigenous organizations in Alaska, Canada, Greenland, Russia and the Arctic region.

Side Session E:

Arctic Lessons for the Himalaya-Third Pole Region

Organized by the Climate Research Fund, ICIMOD and the Skoll Global Threats Fund

Side Session F:

University of the Arctic – A network of over 100 universities and research institutes

- Board Meeting

Side Session G:

Scientific and Research Cooperation

Organized by RANNÍS – Icelandic Council for Research

20:00 Arctic Dinner

Sunday 13th October

8:00-9:00 Networking breakfast

9:00-12:00 Plenary Sessions

Plenary Session 6:

Northern Sea-Routes – New Era in Global Shipping

Plenary session 7:

Google Arctic: The launch of a new monitoring technology

12:00-14:00 I. Side Sessions – working lunches

II. Networking lunch; main floor

14:00-18:00 Plenary Sessions

Plenary session 8:

Arctic Energy Cooperation

- Report from the Arctic Energy Summit in Akureyri October 8-10th October
- Arctic Clean Energy Future – Examples of cross border cooperation: Iceland and Greenland
- Oil and gas – Problems and possibilities

Plenary session 9:

Arctic Business Cooperation

- Infrastructure — Fisheries — Mining — Tourism

18:00-21:00 I. Side Sessions – Working dinners

II. Networking dinner (main floor)

Monday 14th October

8:00-9:00 Networking breakfast

9:00-12:00 Plenary sessions

Plenary session 10:

Arctic Security

Plenary session 11:

Polar Law – The Rights of Indigenous People

12:00-13:00 Networking lunch

13:00-16:00 Plenary Sessions

Plenary session 12:

Country perspectives on the Arctic

- Greenland
- Singapore
- Alaska
- Korea

Plenary session 13:

Closing Session: The future of Arctic Cooperation

16:00-17:00 Networking break

17:00-21:00 Final Side Sessions: Working dinners

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