



The Organising Committee for the ICASS 9 conference with representatives from Vaartoe (Sami Research), Arcum (Arctic Research) and Sami Languages at Umeå University.

Dear reader,

The birches in Umeå are now coming into bloom in the pale green colours of late spring to welcome researchers from the entire Arctic region to the 10th major international conference on the Arctic (ICASS IX) which is to be held from the 8th--12th of June. On the second day of the conference, Friday 9 June, researchers from Mistra Arctic will present the results of their research at three sessions. The price of a one-day ticket is 15 euros (about 120 Swedish kronor). If you are interested, please contact gabriella.nordin@umu.se and she will send you the link for registration.

When you arrive for registration, which will be held in Universumhuset at Umeå University (look out for the signs), you will be given more information on where to find the rooms for the different presentations.

The conference will be held in English, and this is what Mistra Arctic's contribution to the conference looks like:

The joint results of the MISTRA Arctic Sustainable Development Programme will be presented:

9 June, Three sessions: 10:30-12:00, 13:30-15:00 and 15:30-17:00. *We cannot understand present or future resource use in northern Europe without understanding history.* (Session leader)Carina Keskitalo).

Session I (10.30-12.00):

1. Institutional change or inertia? Societal change in the case of northern Europe (Carina Keskitalo, Maria Pettersson)
2. Human Geography and Development in a Dynamic Region Dean Carson, Olof Stjernström, Lovisa Solbär, Doris Carson, Peter Sköld)
3. What does the state want in the North?: From welfare state to de-regulation and re-regulation (Sverker Sörlin)
4. Making sense of regional futures in a changing global context (Annika E. Nilsson, Niklas Eklund, Marie Jürisoo, Ekaterina Klimenko, Lize-Marié van der Watt)

Session II (13.30-15.00):

1. The institutionalisation of forestry: how forestry was developed as 'continuous land use' (Jan Kunnas, Carina Keskitalo, Maria Pettersson, Olof Stjernström)
2. Constructing mineral resources: networks and governance in the development of mining in the European Arctic (Dag Avango)
3. The making of 'wilderness' and pleasure peripheries in a resource region, and their implications in policy (Dieter K. Müller, Joakim Byström, Olof Stjernström, Daniel Svensson)
4. Ethnicity and resource rights in the European north, 17th –21st Century (Per Axelsson, Corinna Röver, Peter Sköld)

Session III: 15.30-17.00

1. Energy regimes in the Scandinavian north, c.1900-2015 (Paul Warde)
2. Marine Resources: Reconciling Environmental Concerns and Economic Opportunities in the Arctic (Sabine Höhler)
3. Given institutional logics and path dependencies, how much can 'soft means' really change? A study of EIA, certification and CSR mechanisms compared with other types of instruments and their use in resource sectors (Lovisa Solbär, Carina Keskitalo; Hannelene Schilar; Maria Pettersson)
4. Dynamics of Arctification in Russia—Institutional Change, Reification or Inertia? (Niklas Eklund)

Researchers from MISTRA Arctic Sustainable Development will also contribute to other presentations:

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| 8 June, | 11:30-13:00 and 14:30-16:00 | Andrey Petrov, Chris Southcott, Thierry Rodon, Sverker Sörlin (Current Research on Extractive Industries and the Sustainability in the Arctic).
Rum 15. |
| 8 June | 11:30-13:00 and 14:30-16:00 | Dieter K. Muller, Pat Maher, Brooks Kaiser (Arctic Tourism - Tourism in the Arctic). Rum 19. |
| 10 June, | 10:30-12:00 and 13:30-15:00 | Dag Avango (Resource extraction and sustainable Arctic communities: interdisciplinary perspectives). Rum 16. |
| 10 June | 10:30-12:00 | Annika E Nilsson (Scenario methodologies: Evaluation and ways forward).
Rum 14. |
| 11 June | 13:30-15:00 | Dag Avango (Resource extraction and sustainable Arctic communities: interdisciplinary perspectives). Rum 16. |
| 11 June | 13:30-15:00 | Dean Carson (Recruiting and Retaining). Rum 20. |

(A general timetable for the conference can be found at <http://www.trippus.se/eventus/userfiles/81298.pdf>)

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