



*Excursion to the mountain village of Klimpfjäll, where workers at the Stekenjokk mine lived when the mine was active between 1973 and 1988. In the background is Norgefarargården, a guest house dating back to 1832.*

Dear reader,

A yellow-spotted carpet is now hiding beneath yellowing autumn leaves on our mountain slopes, attracting a new, growing group of tourists: the chanterelle gatherers. And harvest time is also approaching rapidly for Mistra Arctic's researchers...

### **Arctic debate in Almedalen**

Is there any sense in starting to view Northern Sweden as Arctic - or is that just a quirk of foreign policy? For those who want to escape the grey days of autumn, a film from Almedalen is now available on Mistra Arctic's website, in which researchers and consumers discuss this very issue. Carina Keskitalo is the moderator of the debate, and joining her are Dieter Müller from Umeå University together with Mikael Jansson (North Sweden European Office) and Anna Olofsson (Umeå Municipality): <http://www.mistraarctic.se/>.

### **Open seminar, 17 November in Stockholm**

The project's final major colloquium will be held in November in Stockholm, a joint work meeting at which the final touches will be added to all of the chapters in the joint programme book. For those unable to wait for a printed version of this book, the content will also be presented at an open seminar in the Nordic Museum in Stockholm on 17 November 2017, 09:00-12:00, followed by lunch. As the number of places is limited, we invite advance applications via the website: <https://websurvey.textalk.se/start.php?ID=108099>

### **Workshop in Saxnäs**

Apart from the big programme book, a large number of other reports from Mistra Arctic are also being prepared at the moment – including a themed issue on mines and tourism for the scientific journal Polar Record. At the beginning of September, a group of Mistra Arctic researchers gathered to proofread and comment on each other's contributions to this themed issue at Saxnäsgården in

Vilhelminafjällen. At the same time there was also a study visit to Klimpfjäll, Stekenjokk and the old Sami meeting place at Fatmomakke. Plenty of wise thoughts were exchanged, and plenty of chanterelles were picked.



We look forward to seeing you in Stockholm on 17 November!

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