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Theme 3: Respond

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Update on ASM3 Process

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Theme 3: Respond



Overview of Theme 3: Respond – Progress since ASM2 and Upcoming Projects

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- What progress has been made since ASM2?
- Generally
 - While interdisciplinary approaches appear more frequent, social sciences often seem to be add-ons. Importantly, the number of social science projects appear to be more numerous in the ASM3 process. This is a positive development.
 - Indigenous Knowledge was an important part of a quarter of all projects submitted (27%) and 14% were considered community-driven.
 - While there appear to be more efforts to include local or Indigenous communities / perspectives, inclusion of local or Indigenous people in assessment and definition of Arctic research priorities is rare. Engagement in early stages, participatory processes, and the co-production of knowledge need to be normalized.
 - Out of 429 projects submitted, 8 were submitted by Indigenous organizations (4 by the Inuit Circumpolar Council, 4 by the Saami Council, both of which are Permanent Participants of the Arctic Council).
 - Consideration of gender and diversity in leadership of and participation in project development and implementation has improved marginally.
 - A large number of Russian-led projects that, although somewhat focused on Russian context, has implications for other contexts. Also, quite a few very interesting projects led by Japan.





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• Progress since ASM2?

Environmental change

- Greater consideration of impacts on communities, including Indigenous communities
- Greater inclusion of Indigenous Peoples' perspectives and knowledge
- Arctic Challenge for Sustainability II, Human Security, Energy and Food in the Arctic under Climate Change,
- Arctic Challenge for Sustainability II, Arctic Coastal Change and its Impact on Society
- Resilience & Management of Arctic Wetlands (CAFF)







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• Progress since ASM2?

Governance

- More understanding of the need for ethical guidelines for research conducted in the Arctic with particular attention to Arctic communities and Indigenous Peoples.
- Ethical guidelines for conducting multidisciplinary Arctic research
- Principles for the Conduct of Research in the Arctic



Understanding the Arctic through a Co-Production of Knowledge



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Progress since ASM2?

Health

- There is more attention given to issues of health in the region, largely spearheaded by Arctic Council Working Groups. Importantly, these include attention to wellbeing of youth and mental health as well as to impacts of contaminants and the human/animal/environment nexus, including the recent COVID – 19 pandemic and its impact on communities.
- COVID-19 in the Arctic, Arctic Community Resilience to Boreal Environmental change: Assessing Risks from fire and disease (ACRoBEAR), One Arctic One Health,
- More attention to food security and pursuing innovative avenues for food production.
- Phytotron aeroponic plant growing technologies for developing the agro-industrial complex in the polar regions, Arctic Foods Innovation Cluster (AFIC),
 Alaskan Inuit Food Security Conceptual Framework: How to Assess the Arctic From an Inuit Perspective







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Progress since ASM2?

Industry

- Some attention paid to social and environmental impacts of industrial development. Of note is the number of projects led by Russia.
- Global drivers, local conditions: tools for adapting to global change for sustainable development of industrial and cultural Arctic "hubs" (ArcticHub).
- De-icing of Arctic Coasts: Critical or new opportunities for marine biodiversity and ecosystem services.
- Arctic Coast Bioremediation (ACBR) and Supporting Environmental, Economic and Social Impacts of Mining Activity (SEESIMA)
- Quite a few projects looking at monitoring and forecasting sea ice dynamics in the Arctic may be some opportunities for synergies.







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Progress since ASM2?

Infrastructure

- Arctic and Sub-Arctic Engineering Design Tool.
- Arctic Environmental and Engineering Data and Design Support System.
- ARCTIC-CHI
- NUNATARYUK

Risk

- Arctic Challenge for Sustainability II, Sustainable Arctic Sea Routes in a Rapidly Changing Environment
- Adapting to newly emerging climage change related hazards







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Progress since ASM2?

Socio-economic challenges

- There were a few projects looking at socio-economic challenges in the region.
- Global drivers, local consequences: Tools for global change adaptation and sustainable development of industrial and cultural Arctic "hubs".
- JUSTNORTH (or "Towards Just, Ethical and Sustainable Arctic Economies, Environments & Societies").
- Gender Equality in the Arctic, Phase III (GEA III). Equality as fundamental component of addressing socio-economic challenges, sustainable development, adaptive capacity, and resilience in the Arctic.
- TriArc- The Arctic Governance Triangle: Government, Indigenous Peoples and Industry in change.







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Future science directions/needs

- More attention to multi-disciplinary, holistic natural and social science research and monitoring, including multi-variable risk assessment of pressures and impacts on system interactions and resilience.
- There is a surprisingly low number of projects engaging with issues of International Law and Governance. As an instrumental component in sustainable development in the region, greater understanding is required.
- Surprising lack of risk and risk assessment projects. One would have thought this to be an important factor in response, adaptation and mitigation.
- Need to encourage development and submission of innovation and engineering-based projects. Important for a solution-oriented approach to adaptation and response.
- 16% of projects submitted were categorized in the Response theme. This may suggest that we need to encourage further project work focusing on responding to climate change and impacts.





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HYdrology, PErmafrost and resilience in Eastern Russian Arctic and Subarctic (HYPE-ERAS)

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HYPE-ERAS is funded by FORMAS, RFBR and JST through the Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action: Resilience in the Rapidly Changing Arctic





Rapidly changing arctic/sub-arctic systems

Environmental change \iff Societal challenges



HYPE-ERAS research themes

- Water in Yakutian life
- Where water comes from
- New flood hazard knowledge
- Roads on thinner ice
- Understanding climate change
- Hydrological modelling and forecasting

Republic of Sakha (Yakutia), Russia



Study area and project partners from Sweden, Russia, and Japan

https://hype-eras.org





Perception of climate change impact in local communities



Trends in river discharge by observations (1940's-2010s')

Trendy rivers:

MINISTERIAL

- Large area
- High streamflow
- · Flow all year round

Stable rivers:

- Small area
- Low streamflow
- Frozen up to the bottom in winter

Lebedeva et al (in prep)



120°E



Separating source distribution of Lena river discharge



Park et al (in prep)

Hydrological forecasting of river ice breakup and flooding



Gustafsson et al (in prep)

Lena 3045 Yakutsk, forecast issue date = 2020-06-02

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Arctic Community Resilience to Boreal Environmental change: Assessing Risks from fire and disease (ACRoBEAR)



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Changing high latitude fire regime?

ACROBEAR Arctic Community Resilience to Boreal Environmental change Assessing Risks from fire and disease



Fires in the pan-Arctic



Mark Parrington (ECMWF) / Tom Haigh (Leeds)



Some climate change → Health pathways at high latitudes

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To predict and understand health risks from wildfire air pollution and natural-focal disease (NFD) at high latitudes, under rapid Arctic climate change, and resilience and adaptability of communities across the region to these risks.

This will be achieved through integrating satellite and in-situ observations, modelling, health data and knowledge, and community knowledge and stakeholder dialogue.



ARCTIC SCIENCE

MINISTERIAL





Focus on three regions:

- Jämtland, Sweden.
- Yakutia, Russia.
- Fairbanks, Alaska.

Schmale et al., (2018)



Risk and vulnerability in high latitude communities: key questions





How do risk perceptions, vulnerability, prevention and preparedness plans, and outcomes differ between Arctic communities?

What are the factors shaping socially-differentiated vulnerabilities and adaptive capacities to current and future risks?

Which data are most useful to inform decision-making and what are the roles of local, indigenous, expert and lay knowledge?

ACRoBEAR Community Stakeholder Forum (CSF)

- Two-way dialogue with local communities and agencies at several points throughout project.
- Original plan for physical forum meetings in Fairbanks, Jämtland, Yakutia.
- COVID-compliant online alternatives developed. Two sessions completed with Fairbanks community.
- Yakutia engagement enabled via new Arctic Voices project (James Ford, Leeds).







Thanks for listening!

ACROBEAR Arctic Community Resilience to Boreal Environmental change Assessing Risks from fire and disease



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Health, Working Life and Welfare









ARC-NAV: Arctic Robust Communities-Navigating Adaptation to Variability



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Lack of responsiveness to local and regional priorities and concerns





ARC-NAV: Arctic Robust Communities-Navigating Adaptation to Variability





Kamchatka

Kamchatka Institute of Geography



Kamchatka Association of Indigenous Peoples



Rodovaya Obschina/ Sireniki







University of **Northern Iowa**



ALASKA ESKIMO WHALING COMMISSION

Native Village of Point

Native Village of Gambell







Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY | EARTH INSTITUTE















Local 2 Global



















Pillars	Target Audience	Deliverables
#1 Digital storytelling	Arctic Indigenous youth	Youth will create videos that tell their own stories about mental health, suicide and living. Establishment of a virtual Arctic youth network in mental wellbeing.
#2 Knowledge exchange	Arctic frontline mental health workers	 1) 5 virtual knowledge exchange sessions 2) In-person international study tours
#3 Adverse childhood experiences	Researchers and policy-makers	International forum for researchers, policymakers, youth & other stakeholders. share knowledge related to adverse and protective childhood experiences, and the links with suicide prevention.













Goals of the Virtual Knowledge Exchange

- Creating a space where frontline workers can expand their skills by trading knowledge with peers who work in Arctic suicide prevention and mental wellbeing
- Advancing the use of Indigenous knowledge and practices in Arctic mental health
- Strengthening international cooperation to address suicide in Arctic regions; and
- Fostering relationships between frontline workers so they can continue to reach out to one another, share ideas and exchange resources even after the knowledge exchange has ended









L2G Circumpolar Mental Well-being 14 we, as Il Sign of STRENGTH to seek HELP community can prevent suicide 0000 Have a caring person available 0.0 10A Learning Objectives hora suicidal person Address **Reflect on experience** Identify practices 9 Have Courage Trauma of Indigenous children/ that mobilize broad youth to meet their Virtual Knowledge Exchange communities in taking to talk about Omil details action to reduce R of how someone attempted or died suicide Suicide Prevention 22 February 2021 by suicide Explore uses of culture Consider approaches in mental health context to indigenize mental health care Allow as to build stronger identities we have to space for the talk about what is good in life + GRIEF what can get to be present better Acknowledge Knowledge Exchange Process that Be aware of safely + keep this in mind when Share and not just listen Know who to just lister other culture ng as a gran are + strengther auter SUICIDE, HURTS San anter and and and Sharing Pullig Lighting with Meeka Kakudlut Shareing as a group are + streng over teacher Each view is in the total + not one teacher Don't attribute Each view is intro + not one teach as the object to a single It's 💟 event 3 Okay to rely on the Notbe Agreements Strengths you can use and share Talking about suicide Sabely... Okay our cultures VALUE all sources of Don't take KNOWLEDGE things 10/ personally to assess + re-evaluate By Migitate Monbot 2021

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L2G Knowledge Exchange - Week 1 - February 22, 2021













OUTCOMES

"Thank you very much for your concern and for organizing these meetings. The materials that you give us, I was ready to share at once with as many caring people as possible. Today we have just a parents' meeting, at which I want to talk about what can and should be done in order to prevent the irreparable. Without your help, I would not have learned so much information. I will try to share it, because this knowledge can save someone's life and this cannot be postponed until later."





COVID-19 in the Arctic



Sustainable Development Working Group

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SDWG Executive Secretary





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Questions & Answers





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ASM3 Closing Webinar

Ministerial Review – Joint Statement and Actions

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Webinar Series

This webinar series is designed to increase transparency of the Arctic Science Ministerial



Concept Note

Since the last Arctic Science Ministerial in 2018, changes in the Arctic ecosystem and the



Briefing Meetings

Briefing meetings for embassies will take place throughout the planning process for





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