



ARC Monthly meeting
Friday 10 June at 10.00-11.00
ARC Meeting room, 1540-020
Roskilde: conference room C2.00

Participants

Aarhus

Anne de Vernal
Dorthe Bang Rasmussen
Egon Randa Frandsen
Marit-Solveig Seidenkrantz
Mikael Sejr
Peter Bondo Christensen
Peter Schmidt Mikkelsen
Susanna Pakkasmaa (minutes)
Søren Rysgaard
Tage Dalsgaard
Toke Høye
Torben Linding Lauridsen

Roskilde

Andreas Massling
Christian Sonne
Henrik Skov
Jacob Klenø Nøjgaard
Kaj Mantzius Hansen
Lise Lotte Sørensen
Rossana Bossi
Stine Højlund Pedersen

Minutes

- 1) Welcome – Søren
- 2) ARC status update – Søren et al

ARC will continue beyond 2016, the Dean at Science & Technology has promised continued funding for the centre. The exact economic frame is, however, currently unclear, as is the role of the other faculties, and negotiations continue.

We are currently reconstructing ARC web page <http://arctic.au.dk/> to give increased visibility to the activities taking place at the four faculties. Have a look at

- BSS <http://arctic.au.dk/business-and-social-sciences/>
- Arts and Social Sciences <http://arctic.au.dk/arts-social-sciences/>

- Health <http://arctic.au.dk/health/>
- Science and Technology <http://arctic.au.dk/science-and-technology/>

and give feedback and constructive comments.

Comment from Roskilde: We have strategic growth areas <http://envs.au.dk/forskning/strategic-growth-areas/>

3) AU teaching in Nuuk: Arctic specialization – Lotte

Currently, ARC provides 30 ECTS teaching in Nuuk – the Arctic specialization – in the spring semester. Work with 2016 and spring 2017 courses in progress.

Upcoming: summer school in July 2016 for PhD students, collaboration between Aarhus University and partners (<http://www.atm.helsinki.fi/ABS/courses/2016arctic/>)

Upcoming: summer university for Bachelor students in 2017

4) News from Isaaffik Arctic gateway <http://www.isaaffik.org/> – Peter SM

Isaaffik is established to improve collaboration between Danish universities. It focuses on four areas: research, education, consultancy and logistics. Work towards a new version, Isaaffik2, has been in progress the past couple of months, and it will hopefully be launched soon.

Improvements include:

- News button in the right corner
- Photos
- Easier sign-up
- Calendar function with different categories
- Archive for past events
- New map function with new projection and filters
 - o Q: is it possible to download waypoints or coordinates? A: not in this version, but may be in Isaaffik3
- News with preselected topics, email update when a new item appears

Culture for the use of Isaaffik and the opportunities it gives needs to be developed. A planning meeting for Isaaffik3 has been scheduled to 30 June.

5) News from communications – Peter BC & Susanna

Communications and outreach wants to increase the visibility of ARC and ASP activities. Our main channels are

- web pages <http://arctic.au.dk/> and <http://www.asp-net.org/>
- social media: @arc_au and @aspscience on Twitter; ASP on Facebook www.facebook.com/ArcticSciencePartnership/
- bimonthly ARC newsletter and biannual ASP Update

We encourage people to send their research news to us, keep us updated, use us. And follow and like us on social media.

Question from Roskilde: Does ARC have a strategy for social media? No, not at the moment, but we are discussing it. Feel free to give input!

6) Upcoming events

Marit-Solveig Seidenkrantz and Anne de Vernal organize a workshop on marine palaeoclimate and palaeoceanography around Greenland 15-17 June at the Department of Geoscience (<http://arctic.au.dk/news-and-events/events/show/artikel/workshop-on-the-baffin-bay-and-labrador-sea-corridor/>). The main aim of this workshop is to improve cooperation between scientists and projects working in the same area, the Baffin Bay and Labrador Sea.

Arctic session at EuroScience Open Forum in Manchester on 27 July (<http://arctic.au.dk/news-and-events/events/show/artikel/euroscience-open-forum-in-manchester-23-27-july/>). Panel members Tine Pars (Ilisimatusarfik), Sirkku Juhola (University of Helsinki), David Barber (University of Manitoba) and Anders Mosbech (Aarhus University).

Two more seminars in the Arctic Seminar Series in the spring term

- 20 June: Penny Vlahos, University of Connecticut, <http://arctic.au.dk/news-and-events/events/show/artikel/arctic-seminar-series-penny-vlahos/>
- 29 June: Lucette Barber, University of Manitoba <http://arctic.au.dk/news-and-events/events/show/artikel/arctic-seminar-series-lucette-barber/>

7) Information from participants – all

Four Center of Excellence applications were submitted to Danish National Research Foundation on 5 June:

- Henrik Skov, Halogen chemistry in the Arctic
- Marit-Solveig Seidenkrantz, Arctic sea ice
- Merete Bilde, Ocean-Atmosphere-Cloud Interactions
- Rane Willerslev, Center for animism

Mikael Sejr & collaborators and Christian Sonne & collaborations are working on a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Innovative Training Network proposal to establish a PhD training network. Mikael's proposal is about Arctic marine ecosystem management, Christian's proposal about wildlife, contaminants and health.

Søren Rysgaard is going to Greenland next week (13 June->) together with Vice-Dean Kurt Nielsen and others. He will meet with Prof. Dr. Dr. h.c. Karin Lochte, the Director of Alfred-Wegener-Institut to discuss AWI's role in future ASP collaboration.

Henrik Skov will visit AWI later in June to prepare collaboration.

Danish Minister for Higher Education and Science Ulla Tørnæs is visiting Greenland this week (7-10 June). She is visiting Greenland Institute of Natural Resources, Greenland Climate Research Centre and Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland) in Nuuk. She will also sign an agreement on a 9 mill DKK grant to Greenland Institute of Natural Resources.

Toke Høye has a Nature publication in press. DR news had a nice story about another recent paper by Toke & others, *Biotic interactions mediate patterns of herbivore diversity in the Arctic* (see <http://www.dr.dk/nyheder/viden/miljoe/rovdyr-og-bevoksning-afgoer-udbredelsen-af-planteaedere-i-arktis>).

8) Any other issues

Anne de Vernal from Université du Québec is interested in collaborating with ASP, because the Arctic community is fairly small in Québec.

9) Next meeting

Meeting closed at 11.00.

The next meeting will be after the summer holidays and field work in September.

Have a nice summer!

