

Second China – Nordic Arctic Cooperation Symposium

North Meets East

Conference Agenda

University of Akureyri, Iceland 2–5 June 2014

Organizers: The Icelandic Centre for Research (RANNIS) &
The China-Nordic Arctic Research Centre (CNARC)

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Conference venue:

University of Akureyri (Main building at Sólborg v/Norðurslóð)

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Agenda

Monday, 2nd June 2014

University of Akureyri. Borgir, Research building, 2nd floor, Boardroom 262.

- 13:30-14:00 Early registration
- **14:00-17:00 Assembly of CNARC Member Institutes** (by invitation only)
- **17:10-21:30 Lay the foundations of the Aurora Observatory and Reception.**
Hosted by Aurora Observatory and RANNÍS.
Kárhóll, Reykjadal (<http://www.karholl.is/en>)
Inaugurated by Icelandic Official to be nominated.

- Departure from the University of Akureyri and Hotel KEA (45 min. Drive)

Tuesday, 3rd June 2014

7:45 Bus from Hotel KEA

All sessions will take place at University of Akureyri main conference hall.

08:00-08:30 Registration

Plenary Session:

- **08:30-08:40 Welcome by Hallgrímur Jónasson**, Director, RANNIS
- **08:40-09:30 Opening Addresses**
 - Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, President of Iceland
 - Chen Laiping, Counselor, Embassy of China in Iceland
 - Marit Lillealtern, chargé d'affaires, Embassy of Norway

- **09:30-10:00 Group Photo & Coffee Break**

- **10:00-12:00 Invited Presentations**
 - Moderated by *Þorsteinn Gunnarsson*, Head of Division, RANNIS

 - Zhang Haisheng, Director, Second Institute of Oceanography of China
 - Yang Huigen, Director, Polar research institute of China.
 - Leiv Lunde, Director, Fridtjof Nansen Institute
 - Steingrímur Jónsson Professor, University of Akureyri
 - Halldór Jóhannsson, Director, Arctic Portal
 - Chen Haibo, Video presentation

- **12:00-13:00 Lunch** (University Canteen)

Session I: Arctic Policies and Governance

All workshops will be conducted in English only. It is expected that each presentation should take no more than 12-15 minutes. There will be some time given for questions and discussions at the end of each session.

- **13:00-14:45 Session I (1)**

Moderator: Kim Holmen, Norwegian Polar Institute

Name	Institute	Presentation Title
Leiv Lunde	FNI	<i>Who will be the big Arctic players by 2030 – economic and environmental footprints of old and new Arctic stakeholders</i>
Yang Jian	SIIS	<i>Extra-regional Factors and China's Arctic Policy</i>
Valur Ingimundarson	University of Iceland	<i>Framing the National Interest: The Use of the Arctic in Iceland's Foreign and Domestic Policies</i>
Guo Peiqing	Ocean University of China	<i>The Nordic-China Arctic Cooperation: Benefit and Challenge for Nordic Countries</i>

- **14:15-14:45 Questions and panel discussion**

- **14:45-15:15 Coffee break**

- **15:15-17:00 Session I (2)**

Moderator: Prof. GUO Peiqing, Ocean University of China

Name	Institute	Presentation Title
Geir Helgesen	NIAS	<i>The relevance of closer international cooperation in the social sciences with regards to the Arctic and the outside world</i>
Yu Hongyuan	SIIS	<i>Science and International Governance: Polar Scientific Organizations and Agenda-setting in Arctic</i>
Rasmus Gjedssø Bertelsen et al.	Aalborg University	<i>Conceptualizing the Chinese Dream, a Historical Approach from Hard Power to Soft Power: the Case of Science Diplomacy in the Arctic</i>
Magnús Björnsson	The Northern Lights Confucius Institute	<i>The Northern Lights Confucius Institute and Iceland</i>

- **16:30-17:00 Q&A and panel discussion**

17:10 Bus from the University to Hotel KEA

19:00-21:30 Symposium Dinner at Bryggjan. Hosted by RANNÍS and Town of Akureyri.

Wednesday, 4th June 2014

Session I: Arctic Policies and Governance

- 7:45 Bus from Hotel KEA to the University
- **8:30-10:15 Session I (3)**

Moderator: Geir Helgesen, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies

Name	Institute	Presentation Title
Uffe Jakobsen	University of Copenhagen	<i>Building Regional Governance Capacity in the Arctic. Asian impact on the Development of the Arctic Council into a Strong Regional Decision-Making Organisation</i>
Njord Wegge et al.	FNI	<i>China's Arctic diplomacy</i>
Deng Beixi	PRIC	<i>Reconstruction of Arctic Identity under the Perspective of Critical Geopolitics</i>
Markku Heikkilä et al.	Arctic Centre	<i>Promoting journalist networks, Cross-Border News and Regional Identity Building in the Arctic Case: Barents Mediasphere Project</i>

- **9:45-10:15 Questions and panel discussion**
- **10:15-10:30 Coffee break**

Session II: Arctic Policies and Economy

- **10:30-12:00 Session II (1)**

Moderator: Markku Heikkilä, Arctic Centre

Name	Institute	Presentation Title
Zhang Xia	PRIC	<i>From Mandatory Icebreaker Guiding to Permit Regime: Changes About Northern Sea Route in the New Russian Laws</i>
Hera Grímsdóttir et al.	Reykjavik University	<i>The DMA Project – Requirement Analysis for a Strategic Decision Model for the Arctic</i>
Shou Jianmin	Shanghai Maritime University	<i>A Study on container transportation potential through NSR on the basis of shipping cost</i>
Bianca Tiantian Zhang	University of Iceland	<i>A Systematic Analysis of Iceland's Viability as a New Arctic Marine Transport Hub</i>
Egill Þór Níelsson	PRIC	<i>The West Nordic Arctic Economy and Cooperation with China</i>

- **11:30-12:00 Questions and panel discussion**
- **12:00-13:00 Lunch** (University Canteen)
- **13:00-14:45 Session II (2)**

Moderator: Prof. Wang Xi, Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Name	Institute	Presentation Title
Anders Oskal	ICR	<i>The New Global Arctic Economy and Local Resilience to Rapid Change</i>
He Shufeng	Shanghai Ocean University	<i>Arctic Gas Exploration and World Gas Trade</i>
Marc Lanteigne	Victoria University of Wellington	<i>Economics and Institutions in China's Arctic Policies</i>
Su Ping	Tongji University	<i>Economic Risks of Arctic exploitation and its effect to Chinese Arctic Strategy</i>
Iselin Stensdal	FNI	<i>Mining the Arctic – Asian interests and opportunities</i>

- **14:15-14:45 Questions and panel discussion**
- **14:45-15:15 Coffee break**

Session III: Arctic Policies and Maritime Cooperation

- **15:15-17:15 Session III**

Moderator: Prof. YANG Jian, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies

Name	Institute	Presentation Title
Wang Xi	Shanghai Jiao Tong University	<i>State, Regional and Global Management of the Arctic Ocean</i>
Helgi Gestsson et al.	University of Akureyri	<i>The Importance Of Fish-Markets for the Icelandic Value Chain of Demersal Fish</i>
Zou Leilei	Shanghai Ocean University	<i>A Comparison Between Arctic and Antarctic Fisheries Management</i>
Hreiðar Þór Valtýsson	University of Akureyri	<i>The future growth of Arctic fisheries</i>
Tom Barry	CAFF	<i>The Economic Necessity of Mainstreaming Biodiversity Objectives</i>
Rachael Lorna Johnstone	University of Akureyri	<i>Rights to Defend the Arctic Ocean</i>

- **16:45-17:15 Questions and panel discussion**
- **17:15-17:30 Closing remarks**

Zhang Xia, Head of Strategic Studies Division, PRIC & Deputy Director, CNARC

Eygló Harðardóttir, Minister for Nordic Cooperation

17:40 Bus from the University to Hotel KEA

Thursday, 5th June 2014 and Friday, 6th June 2014

- **Excursions can be organized for symposium participants upon request**

Thursday, 5th June 2014

- **15:00-17:00 China-Iceland Arctic Economic Roundtable**
Reykjavik, Hotel Natura, (registration to the roundtable is separate and is open at: https://events.artegis.com/event/China_Nordic_Symposium2014)

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