



Minutes from ASP leadership meeting

Date: 7 May, 2019

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Agenda

1. Short status since last from partners (SR)
2. Follow up from ASP annual meeting - a oceanography; b eDNA; c freshwater-marine coupling (SR)
3. ASP annual meeting. Booking of rooms. (PSM)
4. New initiatives (SR, MB)
5. Suggestion of merging ASP meetings on leadership, operations, admin and communication into one joint monthly meeting (SR)
6. The new H2020 call for Arctic GEOSS. Will there be a common ASP position relative to the consortia that are currently forming to apply. Arctic GEOSS is the continuation of what INTAROS is currently achieving (and in which Takuvik is involved). (MB)
7. Update on the Pikialasorsuaq Partnership and selection of CERC field sites in Northern Baffin Bay. (LC) (JI)
8. Baffin Bay overwintering project with the MV Kennedy ; Amundsen; Other coastal ships (2021-22) (DB) (JI)
9. Finalizing the equipment list for the upcoming FW-Marine CFI project (DB) (JI)

1. Short status since last from partners

GN - Mie takes over daily leadership of GCRC until Malene is back. Lots of packing and preparations for various field campaigns. Also ongoing field campaigns. Of interest to ASP is joint mooring programs and the GLACE program preparations.

UM - Preparing and packing for GLACE, ongoing programs in Hudson Bay and Baffin Bay.

AWI - Nicole work on a joint meeting within AWI on a closer ASP participation. Preparation for Mosaik takes up a lot of energy. Has send equipment to Greenland for the upcoming field work in collaboration with ASP.

Laval - Permafrost project (coastal water), first field campaign in Mackenzie has been performed. The work went well. Three more field campaigns will take place over the summer. Working on a proposal on field stations in Baffin Bay (Pond Intet and Qik.). Been successfully through the internal university completion. If funded it will be a significant contribution to the BBOS program.

UiT - ABC observatory deployment of mooring and equipment. Packing and planning upcoming cruises in the Nansen Legacy project

AU - Started season for Zackenberg/Daneborg/Ella Ø work. Station Nord open again - problem solved with direct access from Svalbard.

KU - East Grip fieldwork started.

2. Follow up from ASP annual meeting - a oceanography; b eDNA; c freshwater-marine coupling

- (a) Joint ASP moorings being placed in Nuuk and Uummannaq this summer. Starting joint paper on existing mooring data between us (Svalbard, Greenland & Canada).
- (b) Coordinated sampling for eDNA for GLACE. Field sampling and protocols have been coordinated and will be sampled by same person throughout the entire campaign.
- (c) Planned glacier-ocean work off Upernavik. Ice drilling at two locations north of Greenland (GLACE). Also planned coring site on the Müller ice cap in the Canadian north.

3. Annual ASP meeting - remember to book your travel and stay yourself

Each institution will participate in the ASP annual meeting in Iceland with 3-5 persons. ARC has reserved meeting facilities in Reykjavik. Each institution is planning and paying each own travel and stay to and from Iceland. We will share the costs for the meeting facility. We will hold reservations at the Saga hotel another week. Please make sure to book rooms yourself if you want to stay at Saga. Alternatively you will have to book yourself.

4. New initiatives

Tara international drift station is taking form. MB and SR invited to draft science program in Paris this coming week. Idea is to initiate an international drift station for long-term use (20 years). First drift is planned in 2021.

TRC presented the idea of a terrestrial Mosaic (T-Mosaic) which will be an integrated field component in connection with the drift project in the Arctic Ocean, Mosaic. Fieldwork is expected to start in 2020.

5. Suggestion of merging ASP meetings on leadership, operations, admin and communication into one joint monthly meeting

SR suggested to merge all ASP meetings into one joint monthly meeting. This will mean that coordinators of the four teams may join the same meeting. People in the organisation is getting to know each other well and just skype each other when needed. However, a joint overall meeting will benefit the overview of activities for all. Meeting is only 1 h once a month. Seems to be consensus for this and naturally it is up to the individual institution who to send to these meetings.

6. The new H2020 call for Arctic GEOSS.

Discussed if there should be a common ASP position relative to the consortia that are currently forming. Arctic GEOSS is the continuation of what INTAROS is currently achieving. Several partners of ASP are involved in INTAROS. Several other initiatives are currently looking into how to sustain an integrated long-term observational system in the Arctic. A general decision of what to do was not decided other than ASP is in favour for a joint long-term initiative. Need to discuss this more.

7-9. (a) Update on the Pikialasorsuaq Partnership and selection of CERC field sites in Northern Baffin Bay. (b) Baffin Bay overwintering project with the MV Kennedy ; Amundsen; Other coastal ships (2021-22) (c) Finalising the equipment list for the upcoming FW-Marine CFI project

DB updated on (a) Pikialasorsuaq Partnership that is a joint collaboration on a co-management in northern Baffin Bay. Idea is for ASP scientist to collaborate with locals on both sides of the Bay on field sites and sampling programs. LC will travel to Nuuk Greenland in May and startup

discussions. (b) An overwintering with William Kennedy is planned to occur in Baffin Bay in 2021-2022. Discussions have started with a possibility to use the Amundsen as well. (c) A large new CFI proposal is being finalised for equipment to be purchased for the upcoming FW-marine activities in Baffin Bay.

Notes Søren