



Minutes from ASP monthly meeting

Date: 5 May, 2020

Present: AWI, UM, AU, UiT, GINR, UiT, DFO

Absent: NTNU, KU, UL

Follow up of annual ASP meeting In Reykjavik 2019

Agenda

AGENDA, ASP meeting 05 May 2020 at 3 pm (Central Europe) (CET):.

This meeting was a little unusual due to the corona virus situation.

We shortly followed up on the ASP annual meeting:

1. Water mass distribution in Baffin Bay (John/Peter) - progress?
2. Interaction between ice streams and ocean, Upernavik (Dorthe/Christine) - any date yet?
3. Overall view of Data (Tim/Peter) - status?
4. Workshop of Baffin Bay (Dorthe) - 28 August to 1 September
5. Workshop of Greenland-Norwegian Seas (Marit/Asgeir/Søren) - status?
6. Other updates - short update on ASP related issues from partners (Round table)

Progress

1. In progress. Things are moving ahead with Royal Greenland data, mooring data and Canada data. People are working on figures. First paper is out water masses along west Greenland.
2. Meeting postponed due to the Corona virus. Hope to be able to hold it in January 2021.
3. We are all working on data on different levels e.g. from local to regional. Decided to use the SAS and Mosaik protocols for aligning sampling in ASP. No need to invent the wheel again.
4. Workshop of Baffin Bay is planned to be - 28 August to 1 September in Manitoba - this is likely to be changed if the corona situation is not getting better.
5. Asgeir, Jørgen and Søren have worked up research project ideas for RevOcean for 3 legs in summer 2021. Proposal was submitted 1 April. In addition, Søren lead a parallel application for a synoptic transect using the Danish coastguard (REV, Helmer, Lauge) 2021 for this collaboration. We are awaiting respons for these before being able to move forward. There will likely not be any workshop this summer.
6. Other updates - short update on ASP related issues from partners

Round table:

AWI:

The workshop in Nuuk on joint monitoring was a success. Luckily it was held just prior the corona crisis broke out. Plans to repeat the meeting next year. Unfortunately it has not been possible to ship equipment to Nuuk from AWI due to the virus situation. Mosaik crew change and work has been a major undertaking due to the virus.

GINR:

People are back at work in Nuuk as Greenland are Corona free. Much upcoming field activities are on hold though. Despite the Corona situation the new ship delivery will only be slightly delayed. It was mentioned that Asiaq has made a survey service to change batteries on instruments etc. for scientist if they are not able to come to Greenland this summer. Write Mie to get more information on this.

UM:

University still closed due to Corona virus. All field work is put on hold. Awaiting information from central on when to start up again.

DFO:

All on hold as well. Working from home as well. Some fieldwork has already been cancelled others are on hold. The Amundsen campaign may probably not happen, but nothing is sure yet.

UiT:

University also closed. People are working from home. Been informed that people should be expected to work from home rest of the year. This means that the annual ASP meeting will not take place at UiT as planned. So we have to find a another solution. All fieldwork including the Nansen legacy program has been postponed to 2021.

AU:

Laboratories are slowly opening up again for work. However, there are restrictions and only few people can work at the time. Everyone that can work from home should do so. More information on how to open up more will be given mid-May. Several field campaigns have been cancelled, but we plan to rent a private vessel to sail from Denmark to NE Greenland and do some of our fieldwork this summer. This will at the same time be a new test for future operations in the area.

Next meeting
2 June 2020

Notes - Søren