WP 9—The Arctic Resort

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Aim of WP 9.2

Task 9.2 Reviewing existing tourism policies and regulations from an Indigenous and local Peoples’ perspective

1. work with the tourist industry and local and Indigenous Peoples

2. supporting the local and Indigenous communities

3. developing the Arctic in a sustainable way.
Progress 9.2

Milestones reached

1. Collaboration
   a. Girjas sameby (Small game hunting)
   b. Lainiovuoma sameby (Fishing)
   c. Sami tourist companies (Reindeersledging)
Ways forward WP 9.2

1. Step 1. Introduction

2. Step 2. Identify the areas of interest and create focus groups based on key issue

3. Step 3. Identify positive and negative factors that contribute or hinder

4. Step 4. How and to what extent can we influence the factors?

5. Step 5. Plenary session

6. Summary
Aim of WP 9.1

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Task 9.1 Educating the tourists and tourist operators

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Led by the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO) and overlapping with WP2
Lead for WP 9.1

Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators

- 70+ international members and represents the majority of the industry
- Ensure environmentally friendly, responsible and safe cruise tourism in the Arctic
- Advocate for members’ interests
- Develop guidelines and standards which are made mandatory for all members
Aim of WP 9.1

Deliverable: A template for Field Station-Specific Tourism Guidelines; a tool which allows the station to present themselves to tourists and outline what considerations visitors should take when visiting
Progress 9.1

**Fall 2020**
- Identify major challenges of tourism: Survey

**Summer 2021**
- Draft pilot guidelines to inform the template: Workshops

**Fall 2021**
- Draft template developed
- Review/edit drafts

**Fall 2022**
- Final template, handbook and pilot guidelines finalized and presented
Station Managers Forum – January 2020
Identified stations that are tourism enabled and keen on tourism (WP 2.6)

Requirements from others
We kindly ask that you complete our survey about tourism activities

Approx. 7 min to complete

- “Tourist”: a person traveling to and staying in places outside their usual environment for leisure, business or other purposes for not more than one consecutive year

- “Station Area”: station buildings and area where research is conducted

- We only ask for one survey response per station

- Please only consider “normal/typical” years (i.e. not 2020)
Requirements from others

Is access for tourism possible?

- What is preventing access?
  - NO
  - YES

Is tourism normally occurring?

- Why not?
  - NO
  - YES

Potential benefits/challenges

What types of tourism are occurring

What are the benefits and impacts

What needs to be communicated to tourists

YES

NO
Requirements from others

We appreciate your input!

The survey will be sent to all Station Managers after this meeting and the **deadline to complete the survey is October 16, 2020**

Thank you!