

Minutes

Daily Management Group Meeting

14 May 2024

Attendees: Kirsi Latola, Margareta Johansson, Hannele Savela, Luisella Bianco, Morten Rasch, Katharina Beckmann

1. Update on NordForsk application (Morten)

Working title of the application is: Uniting multiple knowledge sources for Observing, Understanding and Responding (OUR) to environmental change in the Arctic - an INTERACT initiative. We are applying as an observational network. They are asking for a scientific organization and the challenge is to present something that fits in the description. So far, 26 partners are involved. There are still a few stations that aren't on board, that would be good to have in the project. US funding is very limited in the call (200 000 USD per project). Canadians can apply for more than any other country. We are now in the process of achieving good, standardized curriculums from all participants. Even if the application isn't accepted, this work has still been very relevant and could be used for other calls as well. An administrative questionnaire needs to be sent out together with a contract. Soon the project description will be circulated. There will be a lot of work collecting all the input from 26 partners. INPA needs to have a role in the project, maybe as the secretariat or management team, including communication and outreach so that INPA can evolve. The call offers in total 5 million Euros of funding.

2. Update from EU/US meeting in Washington (Maggan)

Very influential people and organisations were present at this in-person meeting that was broadcasted online. Margareta's presentation was well-received and it was a great opportunity to present INTERACT and our work.

3. Outreach Northwards and the Changing Global Arctic (Luisella/Terry)

- *Screening of Northwards in Turin*

This Friday there will be a big screening of Northwards in Turin, Italy. It is part of a 3-day historical event. The opening of the festival will be screening of Northwards in the biggest cinema of the city with Terry invited as a guest of honour.

- *RAI Play*

English and Italian version of Northwards will be on RAI on demand for 5 years. They had to be remade for this. Everything needs to follow Rai's standards (no branded clothing etc.). RAI will broadcast the Changing Global Arctic on their school channel later this summer.

4. INPA

- *General Assembly 28-30 May*

INPA General Assembly will be held in Höör Sweden 28-30 May. This week we will need to send out the online participation link for the meeting. 16 people will be present on-site.

5. External Meetings

- *Arctic Congress Bodø 2024, 29 May – 3 June 2024*

Next week there is a pre-meeting. The title of the session is “Hubs and networks in the Arctic, connecting locally, governing globally”. If we are allowed to show slides, Kirsi would like three slides: “What is INTERACT”; Stations connected to other networks; impact. We have had several joint research activities work packages where we are connecting the local and the global perspective. INPA is open for collaborations and this event is a good platform for networking.

- Maggan prepare slides for Kirsi

- *2024 European Polar Science Week, Copenhagen 3-6 September 2024*

We have been asked to merge our session with SAON and to share booth with the EU Polar Cluster.

- Katharina will coordinate the booth with EU Polar Cluster
- Maggan will contact SAON to come up with a merged session

- *Arctic Circle, Reykjavik 17-19 October 2024 (Session proposal deadline 1 May)*

INTERACT should be represented at the Arctic Circle, especially to promote INPA. A session proposal that Morten and Elmer had put together was submitted on the legacy of INTERACT. In addition to the session, INTERACT will apply for a booth.

- Katharina will ask for a booth.

6. INTERACT meetings

- *General Assembly 5-7 November*

All preparations in place and at the moment no further preparation is needed. Katharina will send out reminders every 1-2 months to encourage people to register for the meeting.

- *Upcoming DMG Meeting*

Next meeting will be on the 18th June, 10-12 CEST

- Katharina will send out invitations. Margareta sends Katharina a zoom link as Katharina will be on vacation.