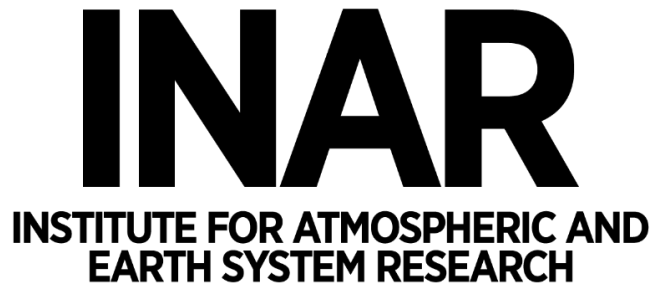


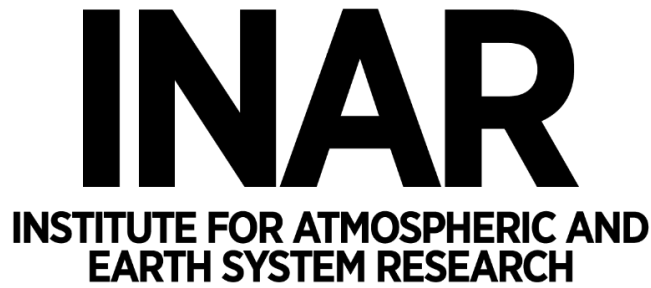
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# Gap analysis of the existing Arctic Science Co-Operations (AASCO) 4-5 Feb 2025

## Round Tables Discussions



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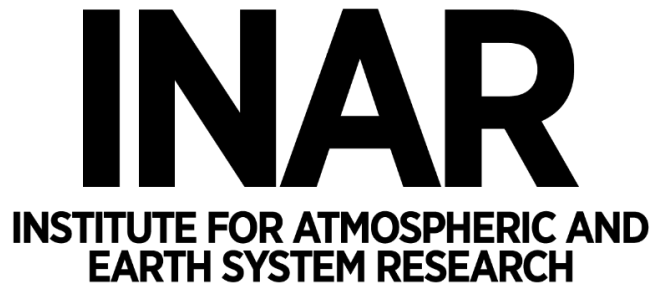


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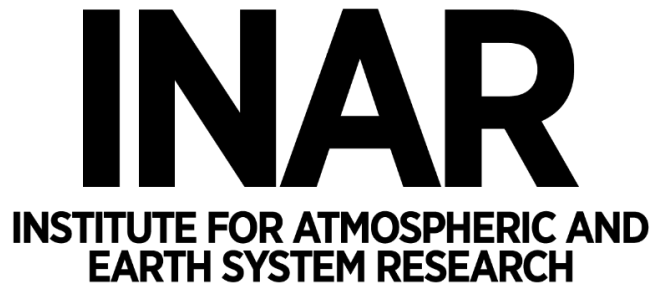
2) to contribute to the ongoing ICARP IV Arctic Research Planning processes e.g. RPT1 “The Role of the Arctic in the Global System”, RPT2 “Observing, Reconstructing, and Predicting Future Climate Dynamics and Ecosystem Responses”, RPT4 “Arctic research cooperation & diplomacy” and preparations for the 5th International **Polar Year 2032-33**, **SAON-ROADS process**, **air Pollution in the Arctic: Climate, Environment and Societies (PACES)** initiative and **climate interventions project** ([climateinterventions.org](http://climateinterventions.org))



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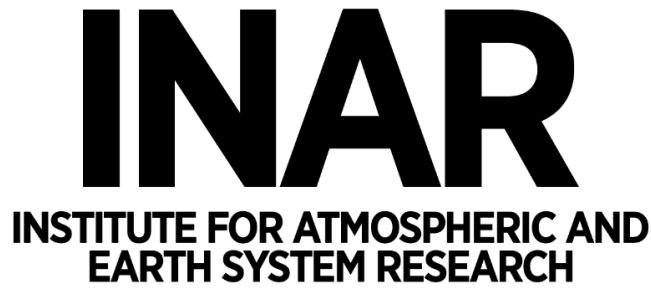
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3) to formulate and to deliver a science-based messages targeted at Arctic research policymakers and funding programmes, such as the 9th EU Framework Programme for R&D (2021-2027) and its successor to ensure informed decision-making and strategic funding allocation.



- **PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION**

- Discussions on Tue 4th Feb & reporting by the chairs on Wed 5th Feb
- Ca 90 registered participants / experts coming from different backgrounds
- Participants are divided into groups in advance, but they can freely change groups if they wish
- Ranuka Badhe (organization ??) as a leading chair of the Round Table session
- Discussion (ca 2 hours) is coordinated by a designated chairperson and supported by a co-chair



- **PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION**

- Ppt template with the Table questions will be send to the Tables chairs

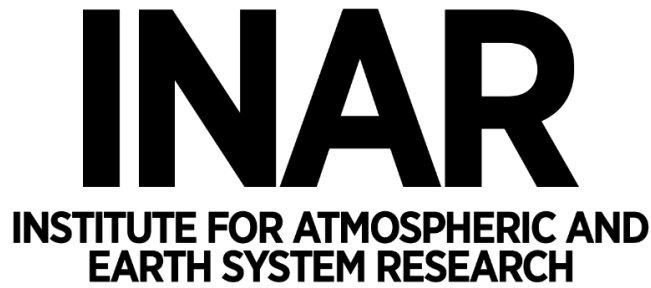
For example

Table-7 Pan-Arctic Science Research Collaboration (ICARP RPT 4)

Guiding questions

1. To what extent is Pan-Arctic research collaboration important?
2. What is your vision for Pan-Arctic research collaboration in 2035?
3. What are the challenges for Pan-Arctic research collaboration?
4. What are the tools available and/or do we need to advance Pan-Arctic research collaboration?

- Any other new new emerging questions or research topics can be added
- Key message to be used in the press release etc.
- Your message to the AASCO coordinators, e.g. how do you see the importance of the AASCO discussion forum in the future



**Table-1** Arctic Sea ice and Greenland Ice Sheet (ICARP RPT 1)

**Chair** Petteri Uotila, University of Helsinki

**Co-chair** Angelika Humbert, The *Alfred Wegener Institute*

**Table-2** **Short-lived climate forcers (SLCFs) (ICARP RPT 1)**

**Chair** Heikki Lihavainen, SIOS

**Co-chair** Yubao Qui, Digital Belt and Road Program (DBAR)

**Table-3** Interplay between Arctic processes and the coupled climate system (ICARP RPT 1)

**Chair** Timo Vihma Finnish Meteorological Institute

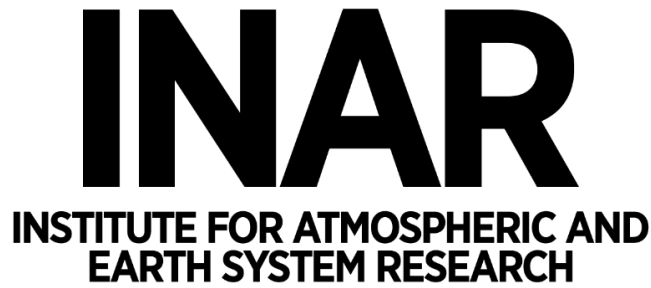
**Co-chair** Dorotea Iovino, Foundation Euro-Mediterranean Centre on Climate Change (CMCC)

**Table-4** Climate interventions ([climateinterventions.org](https://climateinterventions.org), ICARP RPT 7)

**Chair** John Moore, Arctic Centre, University of Lapland

**Co-chair** Marc Macias-Fauria, Department of Geography & the Scott Polar Research Institute  
University of Cambridge





**Table-5**      **Research priorities around Arctic air pollution (PACES)**

**Chair**        Steve Arnold, University of Leeds

**Co-chair**    Kathy Law, LATMOS –CNRS, Paris / Alexander Baklanov University of Copenhagen

**Table-6**      **The role of Co-Production and local communities (ICARP RPT 3, 5)**

**Chair**        Cana Itchuaqiyag, Center for Sustainable Engagement in the Arctic

**Co-chair**    Hanna Snellman, University of Helsinki

**Table-7**      **Pan-Arctic Science Research Collaboration (ICARP RPT 4)**

**Chair**        Jennifer Spence, Harvard Kennedy School

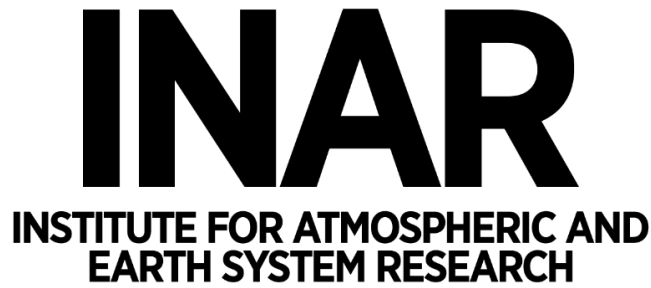
**Co-chair**    Kamrul Hossain, Northern Institute for Environmental and Minority Law, Arctic Centre

**Table-8**      **Data-sharing, AI (e.g. ICARP RPT 2, 5)**

**Chair**        Pier Luigi Buttigieg, the Alfred Wegener Institute, Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research

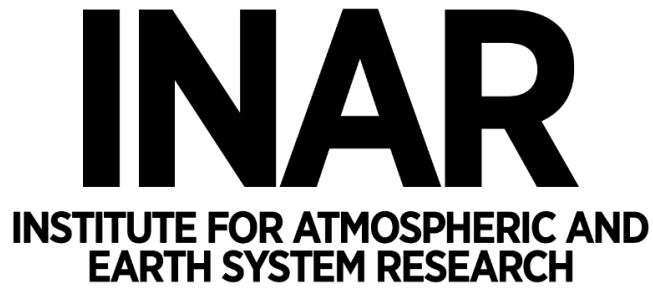
**Co-chair**    Jørn Kristiansen, The Norwegian Meteorological Institute





## • OUTCOMES

- Outcomes e.g. recommendations to be published
  - A) as a White Paper tbc
  - B) Concept note peer reviewed paper tbc
  - All participants as co-authors
- White paper / Recommendations to be distributed to TBD
  - ICARP RPT chairs & co-chairs
  - European Union Commission
- Press release
- Core Team to draft the White Paper / Concept note TBD



- **OUTCOMES:**

the Fourth International Conference for Arctic Research Planning (ICARP IV) at ASSW 2025

The details for your accepted abstract, including the day and time for when it has been scheduled is below:

- **Abstract ID:** 98
- **Title:** Arena for the gap analysis of the existing Arctic Science Co-Operations (AASCO)
- **Presenting author(s):** Hanna Lappalainen
- **Accepted presentation format:** Oral virtual
- **Session:** 2.3. Arctic Science through Observational Network: Opportunities and Challenges
- **Date:** 3/26/2025
- **Time:** 16:00–18:00

Individual abstracts will be added to the ICARP IV session descriptions soon. We will also soon provide further details about presentation guidelines and requirements, including for virtual presenters.

Please note that registration for ASSW is currently open with early bird registration through 31 January 2025. **Register [here!](#)**

- **OUTCOMES**

- See also the previous AASCO paper published in the ARCTIC YEAR BOOK 2005: Heininen, L., J. Barnes & H. Exner-Pirot, (eds.). (2024). Arctic Yearbook 2024 - Arctic Relations: Transformations, Legacies and Futures. Akureyri, Iceland: Arctic Portal. Available from <https://arcticyearbook.com>

*Advancing the Understanding and Quantification of Arctic Climate Feedbacks to Improve  
Climate Models and Inform Decision-Making: Insights from the AASCO Project (2020–2022)*

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Manfred Wendisch, Markku Kulmala and Tuukka Petaja*

- **OUTCOMES; FYI MS submitted Big Earth Data (Out for Review)**

- 1 **Towards a Global Ground-Based Earth Observatory (GGBEO):**
- 2 **Leveraging Existing Systems and Networks**
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- 4 Hanna K. Lappalainen<sup>a\*</sup>, Alexander Baklanov<sup>b</sup>, Jaana Bäck<sup>c</sup>, Christos
- 5 Arvanitidis<sup>d</sup>, Sara Basart<sup>e</sup>, Natacha Bernier<sup>f</sup>, Thomas Bornman<sup>g</sup>, Pier Luigi
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- 7 Hervé De Roeck<sup>l</sup>, Sagnik Dey<sup>m</sup>, Evangelos Gerasopoulos<sup>n</sup>, Shahzad Gani<sup>a,m</sup>,
- 8 Georg Freig<sup>o</sup>, Helen Graves<sup>p</sup>, Silja Häme<sup>a,q</sup>, Eija Juurola<sup>q</sup>, Jörg Klausen<sup>r</sup>, Paolo
- 9 Laj<sup>a,e</sup>, Barry Lefer<sup>s</sup>, Henry W. Loescher<sup>t,u</sup>, Michael Mirtl<sup>v</sup>, Beryl Morris<sup>w</sup>,
- 10 Hiroyuki Muraoka<sup>x</sup>, Hibiki M. Noda<sup>y</sup>, Clare Paton-Walsh<sup>z</sup>, Nicolas Pade<sup>aa</sup>,
- 11 Andreas Petzold<sup>bb</sup>, Day Sagnik<sup>m</sup>, Emmanuel Salmon<sup>cc</sup>, Serge Scory<sup>dd</sup>, Krishna
- 12 Achuta Rao<sup>m</sup>, Jaswant Rathore<sup>m</sup>, Martin Steinbacher<sup>ee</sup>, Georg Deutsch<sup>ff</sup>, Alex
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