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The Bolin Centre is a multi-disciplinary consortium of over 400 scientists in Sweden that conducts research and graduate education related to the Earth's climate.





Demise of a glacier, uncovering a fjord

When the last ice age was over, a large glacier covering the 1000 meter deep Hardangerfjord collapsed. These events at the end of the ice age in Norway, resemble what we are about to witness in today's Greenland.

A new study reveals how climate warming caused the great glacier covering Hardanger to collapse around 11.000 years ago. The study is done by a team of scientists from the University of Bergen, the Bjerknes Centre for Climate Research, the University of Svalbard, Stockholm University, and the Bolin Centre for Climate Research.

Read the full article on the Bolin webbsite»



The key to understanding climate change at the Third Pole lies in the past

Scientists from 17 countries have begun an urgent expedition to improve our knowledge of climatic changes on the Tibetan Plateau. The latest IPCC report says

two-thirds of glaciers in the region could be lost by 2100, but further research is badly needed to clarify how this and monsoonal changes will affect fresh water supplies — on which almost one third of the world's population depend.

To find the answers, scientists will look to the past. The international research team includes Natasha Barbolini from the Department of Ecology, Environment and Plant Sciences and the Bolin Centre for Climate Research at Stockholm University. They have recently been granted US \$ 1.5 million from the International Continental Scientific Drilling Program to drill one of the largest and deepest lakes on the Tibetan Plateau. Together with the Himalaya-Hindu Kush mountain range, this area stores the largest amount of snow and ice after the Arctic and Antarctic – and is thus called the world's "Third Pole".

Read the full article on Dept. of Ecology, Environment and Plant Science's website»



Seminar: Reversing tropical deforestation

Join Research Area 7 seminar on December 10th 01.00 PM - 02.00 PM with speaker Eric Lambin, Geographer and environmental scientist at University of Louvain and Stanford University.

Eric Lambin's research tries to better understand the causes and impacts of land use changes in different parts of the world. His current research focuses on how globalization affects land use and how private and public policies can reduce or even reverse tropical deforestation. This research is gaining in importance as avoiding deforestation and forest regeneration are increasingly recognized as essential nature climate solutions.

Read more on the Bolin website »



Recent Bolin Centre scientist publications

On bolin.su.se/publications» you'll find a list of scientific journal publications by Bolin Centre scientists. Here are the most recent ones we have published on the website.

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BOLIN CENTRE EVENTS



Bolin Centre Seminar Series | Research Area 7

Time & venue: Dec 10 at 13h00, Zoom **Titel:** Reversing tropical deforestation

Speaker: Eric Lambin, geographer and environmental scientist at

University of Louvain and Stanford University.

Read more on the Bolin website»



Bolin Centre Journalist Breakfast

Time & venue: Dec 11 at 08h00-09h00, Zoom

Welcome to our second breakfast session with the theme Climate Science in the Media. This session highlights what the general public would like to know about climate issues, and what media and researchers roles are in this, based on a new study from the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency. We will also offer exclusive insights from our latest research. To ensure inclusivity, the breakfast will be conducted in both Swedish and English.

Read more and registration on the Bolin website»

OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION



Workshop: Reach an international audience via The Conversation

Time & venue: 10 Dec, 13.00-15.00 via Zoom

The Conversation, with the tagline "Academic rigor, journalistic flair", publishes popular science articles for an international audience and reaches 38 million readers every month. On December 10, one of the editors of The Conversation will give a workshop for researchers at Stockholm University who wants to learn how to reach out.

Deadline for registration: 4 Dec.

Read more and registration on Stockholm University's website»

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