

November 10-11, 2025, Hosted by Stockholm University

AT NATURHISTORISKA RIKSMUSEET

THE FORUM FOR THE ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC AIMS TO SHAPE THE ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC RESEARCH AGENDA IN SWEDEN AND BEYOND. THE FORUM BUILDS DIALOGUE AMONG ACADEMIA, STATE AGENCIES, AND STAKEHOLDERS. THE OVERARCHING THEME OF THIS YEAR'S PROGRAMME IS 'RAISING THE AMBITION OF SWEDISH POLAR RESEARCH'. ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC RESEARCH LEADERS WILL DISCUSS FUTURE NEEDS AND DIRECTIONS IN SWEDEN AND GLOBALLY TO BUILD EXCELLENCE AND TACKLE GLOBAL CHALLENGES IN THE POLAR REGIONS.

THE FORUM FOR THE ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC TAKES PLACE FROM LUNCH TO LUNCH ON 10 AND 11 NOVEMBER 2025, AT STOCKHOLM UNIVERSITY - A LEADING RESEARCH INSTITUTION IN SWEDEN, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LULEA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, UMBA UNIVERSITY, AND THE SWEDISH POLAR RESEARCH SECRETARIAT.

Monday 10 November 10.00 - 18.00

10.00 - 11.00 Coffee and networking

ARRIVAL TIME AND REGISTRATION.

11.00 – 12.00 THE BUILDING OF A SWEDISH CENTRE FOR ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC RESEARCH

Presentations and discussion, moderated by Dag Avango and Keith Larson.

12.00 - 13.00 Lunch

13.00 - 14.30 A NEW GENERATION OF POLAR RESEARCHERS IN SWEDEN - NETWORKING EVENT FOR EARLY

CAREER POLAR RESEARCHERS

Presentations and discussion, moderated by representatives of APECS Sweden and the Bolin centre early career network.

OULIN CENTRE EARLY CAREER NETWORK.

14.30 - 15.30 Swedish Polar Research - Platforms, partnerships and progress

Presentations of ongoing projects and future plans from the Swedish Polar Research

SECRETARIAT.

15.30 - 16.00 Coffee

16.00 - 18.00 Funding Arctic and Antarctic Research

Presentations by representatives from Swedish funding agencies for Polar Research

SWEDISH FOUNDATION FOR STRATEGIC RESEARCH

SWEDISH RESEARCH COUNCIL

FORMAS

European Polar Board

19.00 - 22.00 DINNER

FAKULTETSKLUBBEN

Tuesday 11 November 09.00 - 16.00

09.00 - 11.00 Swedish Polar Research - from where is it coming?

KEY NOTE TALKS

MICHAEL TJERNSTRÖM, PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF BOUNDARY LAYER METEOROLOGY, STOCKHOLM

UNIVERSITY

Adventure, exploration, politics and science: on the utility of Arctic expeditions for climate science

PEDER ROBERTS, PROFESSOR IN HISTORY OF IDEAS, UNIVERSITY OF OSLO

Changing trends in Arctic and Antarctic humanities and social sciences

Christina Storm Mienna, Director, Várdduo - Centre for Sámi research at Umeå University

Beyond the Ice: Sámi and Indigenous knowledge transforming views of the Arctic

KEITH LARSON, DIRECTOR, ARCTIC CENTRE AT UMEA UNIVERSITY

Eyes on the polar regions - Arctic and Antarctic research trends (2016-2024)

11.00 - 12.00 Lunch

12.00 - 14.00 Polar Research Highlights - where are we going?

Presentations of ongoing research in the Arctic and Antarctic:

Gunilla Svensson, Professor of Meteorology
Polar climate observations and modeling

Arjen Stroeven, Professor of Physical Geography

East Antarctic sea level rise contribution in 2300 - 1Q2300

Helen Coxall, Professor of Marine Micropaleontology

Tracing how Atlantic water impacts North Greenland: THAWING

Paul Zieger, Professor in Experimental Atmospheric Sciences

The mobile aerosol-cloud laboratory and the Zeppelin Observatory Örjan Gustafsson, Professor

STUDIES OF ARCTIC CARBON-CLIMATE CYCLING

NINA KIRCHNER, PROFESSOR OF GLACIOLOGY AND DIRECTOR OF TARFALA RESEARCH STATION

Tarfala Research Station, 80 years of glaciological research

14.00 - 14.30 Coffee

14.30 – 16.00 Future ambitions and tasks for Swedish Arctic and Antarctic research with The Arctic Council chairmanship 2028–2029 and the fifth International Polar Year 2032/2033

KEY NOTE PRESENTATIONS AND A PANEL ON FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR SWEDISH POLAR RESEARCH

Anil Mishra, Chief of Section Hydrological systems, climate change and adaptation, Focal point for the UN decade of action for cryospheric sciences, UNESCO

Helen Eduards, Ambassador for Arctic Affairs, Sweden

Johanna Franke, International Arctic Science Committee (IASC) and International Polar Year 2032/2033

A WARM WELCOME TO THE FORUM FOR THE ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC 2025

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