

# POLAR RESEARCH DAY

Nuuk, December 4

## Connecting Science and Communities

(PRELIMINARY PROGRAM)

### **09:00-09:45 Welcome and introductory keynote**

- Welcome by Allan Peter Olsen, Greenland Perspective, University of Greenland
- Opening speech by the Honorable Minister for Industry, Energy & Research Jess Svane
- Introducing Greenland Research Council: Reflections on connecting communities and science and on research strategies in Greenland, by chair Josephine Nymand

### **09:45-10:30 Local and Indigenous Knowledge in Science**

- Keynote by Lene Kielsen Holm, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources & Professor Suzy Basile, Université du Québec en Abitibi-Témiscamingue (UQAT))

### **10:30-11:00 BREAK**

### **11:00-12:00 Arctic Thematic Network Panels** (moderated by Lill Rastad Bjørst, AAU Arctic)

- Chairs from Arctic thematic networks present about their network activities and opportunities to join. Five minutes presentation each and subsequent dialogue on the relevance of the ongoing research for communities.
  - *Northern Tourism*  
Gunnar Þór Jóhannesson, professor, University of Iceland
  - *Arctic Health and Well-being*  
Gert Mulvad, Scientist, MD, GP, Doctor h.c. University of Greenland
  - *REXSAC: Resource Extraction and Sustainable Arctic Communities*  
Lill Rastad Bjørst, Associate Professor, Aalborg University

### **12:00-13:00 LUNCH AND EXHIBITION**

### **13:00-14:00 Climate Research in Greenland** (moderated by Acting Head of Department, Mie S. Winding, Greenland Climate Research Center)

- *The melting ice sheet and its implications*  
Lorenz Meire (Greenland Climate Research Centre, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources)
- *Linking climate and ecosystem monitoring to international assessment organisations*  
Elmer Topp-Jørgensen & Marie Frost Arndal (Aarhus University)
- *Contaminants in whales and dolphins from Greenland*  
Anna Roos (Greenland Climate Research Centre, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources)
- *Mapping Greenland seafloor and benthic habitats at unprecedented detail*  
Diana Krawczyk (Greenland Climate Research Centre, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources)

### **14:00-15:00 Research Communication Panel** (moderated by Anne Merrild Hansen, AAU Arctic)

### **15:00-15:45 BREAK**

### **16:00-17:30 NEW RESEARCH ANNO 2019 ~ 6 Greenlandic PhDs/Post-docs** (moderated by Rasmus Leander Nielsen, University of Greenland)

### **17:30-18:00 Final keynote: Thirty years of Arctic Research, network, capacity building and reflections on how to connect science and communities**, by Professor Morten Melgaard, University of Greenland

### **18:30-21:30 BANQUET**