



Workshop on: "Marine invasive species in the Arctic: Management issues"

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Key note speakers:

Whitman Miller, Marine Invasions Research Laboratory, Smithsonian Institution
Mike Gill, Environment Canada and Chair of Circumpolar Biodiversity Monitoring Group
Linda M Fernandez, Virginia Commonwealth University
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Background:

The ecosystem changes underway in the Arctic region are expected to have significant impacts on living resources in both the short and long run, and current actions and policies adopted by the Nordic states over such resource governance will have serious and ultimately irreversible consequences in the near and long terms. In particular, the breadth and scope of integration of science and political economy into the formulation of strategies for economic resource use and preservation will determine the outcomes of such policies. Policies to contain invasive species in one nation's waters will be limited in effectiveness by decisions of neighboring nations as well as by the ecological context of the invasion. Coordinated resource policy across space and time is therefore essential to maximizing the full economic value, including potential non-use and indirect-use values, of the living resources of the Arctic Ocean as the base productivity undergoes ecological changes.

Content:

We intend to host up to 30 participants, with approximately 14 ½ hour presentations in addition to the keynotes. We bring together experts on invasive species, marine resource management, and the Arctic with the purpose of preparing case-studies from the Nordic countries and to discuss continuing applicable research. We anticipate participation from academics, resource managers, Nordic and other Arctic policy makers and stakeholders to achieve maximum effectiveness and impact.

Participation

There is no workshop fee. Acceptance is limited and will occur on a rolling basis. For consideration as a presenter, please submit a short abstract and title pertinent to the theme. For consideration as an attendee, please send a short (2 page max) CV outlining your relevant experience and interest in the topic. Presenters and attendees should expect to contribute to workshop outputs, some of which may include publications and receive stipends (details to follow). Deadline for enrolment is Sept 30, 2013. Please send your application by e-mail to fame@sdu.dk

News and questions

Updated information about the workshop can be found at the FAME website www.sdu.dk/fame under courses. Questions? Do not hesitate to contact Irene Nygaard at fame@sdu.dk

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