

Dear Arcum affiliated researchers!

The Arctic Research Centre at Umeå University (Arcum) has the pleasure to announce that we have now passed **200 affiliated researchers**. This is far more than we could ever dream of when the process started only a few months ago.

To mark the impressive number and the great engagement among the researchers of Umeå University we would like to highlight the affiliated researcher n:o 200 which is PhD student **Mona Olofsson**, Department of Public Health and Clinical Medicine.



Mona Olofsson (in front) is part of a research group that studies the effects of improved telemedicine in remote areas. Image: Karin Burman

Arcum congratulates her with Bea Uusma's August Prize awarded book Expeditionen - En kärlekshistoria (The Expedition – A Love story) about the tragic attempt of C. G. André to cross the North Pole with a hydrogen balloon. Image: Nordstedts



UPCOMING ARCUM EVENTS

– all affiliated researchers are welcome

CESAM/ARCUM SEMINAR

– Northern and indigenous research at Umeå University

MONDAY 5 MAY 13.00-16.30

Stora sammanträdesrummet, Norra Beteendevetarhuset, vån 4

13.00-13.15	Peter Sköld, CeSam/Arcum	Introduction
13.15-13.40	Per Axelsson, CeSam	Making visible the big C: bringing colonisation into the frame of indigenous population research
13.40-14.05	Terese Bjärstig, Statsvetenskap	Defining rural development - an analysis of Leader project in Västerbotten
14.55-14.30	Anna-Lill Ledman CeSam	Ethics in Indigenous research – why, who and how?
14.30-15.00	COFFEE	
15.00-15.25	Mariska Te Beest, EMG	Reindeer grazing influences vegetation structure in arctic ecosystems, with consequences for ecosystem feedbacks to climate change
15.25-15.50	Moa Sandström, CeSam	Sami traditional health care – past and present
15.50-16.15	Lars Larsson, Geografi och ekonomisk historia	Northern Municipal Planning Responses in Relation to Climate Change
16.15-16.30	DISCUSSION	

ARCUM SEMINAR

Wednesday 14 MAY, 15.30 - 17.00

Sammanträdesrummet, Norra Beteendevetarhuset, plan 4

Jan Borm, University of Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines.

"Contemporary British travel writing about the Arctic: Sara Wheeler and Gavin Francis in Lapland"

Jan Borm is Full Professor in British Literature and Director of the research laboratory CEARC (Culture, Environment, Arctic, Representation, Climate) at the University of Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines. He has published widely on travel writing in English, French and German. Co-editor of Bruce Chatwin's posthumous volume *Anatomy of Restlessness* (London: Jonathan Cape, 1996), author of *Jean Malaurie, un homme singulier* (Paris: éditions du Chêne, 2005), a portrait of the famous French Arctic anthropo-geographer, he has also co-edited several collective volumes including *Convertir/Se Convertir : regards croisés sur l'histoire des missions chrétiennes* (Paris: Nolin, 2006), *Christentum und der Natürliche Mensch/Christianisme et l'homme naturel* (Marburg: Förderverein "Völkerkunde in Marburg" e.V., 2010) and *Savoir et pouvoir au siècle des Lumières* (Paris: éditions de Paris, 2011). He is Principal investigator of the international research project POLARIS (Cultural and Natural Heritage in Arctic and

Sub-Antarctic Regions for a Cross-, Cultural and Sustainable Valorisation Process and Tourism Development: Siberia, Lapland and Patagonia; FP7-Marie-Curie-IRSES-People; 2013-17).



Image: Anne Debever

ARCUM SEMINAR

Wednesday 4 JUNE,

Lunch 12.00-13.00

Seminar 13.00 – 16.30

Triple Helix, Samverkanshuset

Register with an e-mail to: gabriella.nordin@umu.se

ARCTIC HEALTH

INVITED SPEAKERS

13.00-13.10	Peter Sköld, Arcum
13.10-13.50	Arja Rautio, Centre for Arctic Medicine, University of Oulu
13.50-14.10	Birgitta Evengård, Clinical microbiology
14.10-14.30	Anders Sjöstedt, Molecular infection medicine
14.30-15.00	Coffee
15.00-15.20	Tony Scully, Grants Office
15.20-15.40	Lars Weinehall, Public health
15.40-16.00	Mikael Elofsson, Chemistry
16.00-16.20	Lena Nilsson, Arcum
16.20-16.30	Concluding remarks

ARCUM INVITES ALL INTERESTED RESEARCHERS TO A PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THIS NORDFORSK CALL

TUESDAY 29 APRIL, 13.00-15.00

Sammanträdesrummet, Norra Beteendevetarhuset, plan 4

Planning Grants Nordic Centres of Excellence in Arctic Research

Application deadline 05.06.2014 13:00

<https://funding.nordforsk.org/nordforsk/call/call.jsp?cid=404>

This is a call for planning grants, financing the preparation and establishment of Nordic Centres of Excellence (NCoE) within the Joint Nordic Initiative on Arctic Research 'Responsible Development of the Arctic: Opportunities and Challenges - Pathways to Action'.

Given the global importance of the Arctic region, and the transnational implications of environmental change in the region, NordForsk is now initiating a larger-scale, joint Nordic Initiative on Arctic research (hereafter 'the programme'). To promote a flourishing and forward-looking Arctic region, exploiting opportunities for future value creation in a sustainable manner, the need for new, policy-relevant knowledge is substantial. The programme will be cross-disciplinary strengthen the knowledge base within Arctic research in a broad sense, thereby supporting integrated research efforts in health and medicine, humanities and social sciences, and natural sciences and technology. The programme will focus on areas where joint Nordic research adds value to national initiatives (Nordic added value) and facilitate international research cooperation at the highest level, with Arctic as well as non-Arctic countries. The programme will seek synergies with other key Nordic and international research and innovation initiatives.

The aim of this call is to support the establishment of prominent research groups and to facilitate their work towards developing full proposals for a Nordic Centre of Excellence (NCoE) within Arctic research. This includes, but is not limited to preparatory work; such as meetings, workshops and travel expenses. Full proposals are to be submitted late in the autumn 2014 or early in 2015 (an open call for NCoE proposals will be published in the autumn).

The programme will invite cross-disciplinary, high quality and innovative NCoE proposals on topics relevant to a responsible development of the Arctic region. When submitting a pre-proposal, please keep in mind that the following thematic framework will apply to in the upcoming call for NCoE-proposals:

- Drivers of Change in the Arctic region - Interactions and Impacts
- Arctic Resource Development in a Global Context
- Waters, Ecologies and Life Environments

Belmont Forum Call for the Arctic

Belmont Forum Collaborative Research Action Call for Proposals on Arctic Observing and Research for Sustainability 2014 International Opportunities Fund

The Belmont Forum seeks to bring together integrated teams of natural scientists, social scientists, and stakeholders to develop projects that utilize existing Arctic observing systems, datasets and models to evaluate key sustainability challenges and opportunities in the Arctic region across one or more of four possible themes. This Collaborative Research Action Call seeks to advance research within one or more of the following themes, utilizing and developing both the relevant information streams and the sustainability science necessary to assess, predict, inform, and communicate resilient pathways.

Four related themes

The natural and living environment – focusing on in-depth understanding of the nonlinear physical and biological interactions within the Arctic.

The built environment and infrastructures – including but not limited to housing and transportation structures, energy, and communications technologies, climate-resilient materials, and sustainable observing designs.

Natural resource management and development – comprising drivers and impacts both in natural and human systems, within the Arctic and interaction with the rest of the world, including food and water security.

Governance – addressing the interactions between actors and organizations that govern the future of the Arctic, from local and tribal to international scale, and their impacts on the natural environment.

Opening Date of the Call: 28th March 2014

Closing Date for Submission of Proposals: 31st July 2014

Communication of Final Decisions: expected by 31 JANUARY 2015

For more information on the call - please visit:

<http://igfagcr.org/cra-2014-arctic-observing-and-research-sustainability>

NOTICES

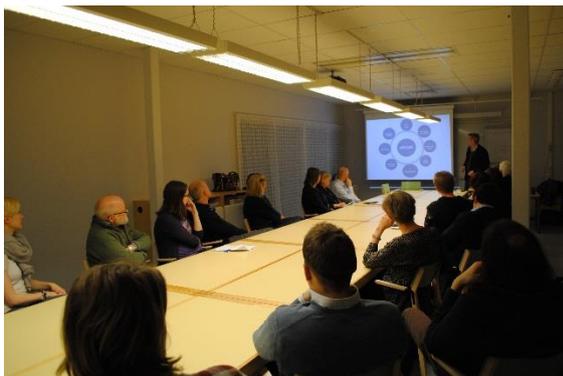
You find updated information on calls for conferences and research applications, and position announcements on Arcum webpage:

<http://www.arcum.umu.se/>

Director Arcum Peter Sköld has been appointed Swedish delegate of **Arctic Council Sustainable Development Working Group - Social, Economic and Cultural Expert Group (SECEG)**.

Director Arcum Peter Sköld has been appointed vice-chair of Arctic Science Committee (**IASC**) WG Social & Human.

30 affiliated researches participated in **Arcum Get-Together** 17 March where IASSA president Gail Fondahl presented the work with Arctic Human Development Report and Arctic Social Indicators.



Arcum hosted visits by the **Embassy of Canada** and Louise Flaherty, director of Inuit Language & Culture Programs vid Nunavut Arctic College 12 March.

Arcum hosted visits by professor Marguerite MacKenzie, **Memorial University** of Newfoundland and H  l  ne St. Onge fr  n Institut Tshakapesh i Sept-  les, Quebec 21 March.

Arcum hosts the **University of the Arctic Board of Governors Meeting** 22-24 April. Research seminars are arranged where Sweden's Arctic Ambassador Gustaf Lind and Mikael Anz  n from the Ministry of Foreign affairs, together with Arcum board participates. The themes are Arctic Research and Barents Regional Collaboration.

Arcum arranged a seminar with the Swedish Consulate in St Petersburg and the County Board of V  sterbotten on 25 March. Nine researchers from Ume   University shared their experiences from **Russian collaborations**.