

# 1st Council Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> December, 2021, [16:00 GMT](#)



**Chair:** Ryan O'Hara

## **Minutes:**

**Present:** Maaïke Weerdesteijn, John Read (USAPECS), Nadine Steiger, Meghan Helmberger, Hiral Jain (Remote Sensing Database), Marek Muchow (APECS Germany), Anna Gebruk (UKPN), Lina Madaj, Kirsi Keskitalo (APECS Art), Anika Happe, Lauren Thompson, Adrien Wehrlé (APECS-France), Rajeew Rajak (IPRN-APECS India) Ljuba Günther (International Online Conference), Erin Kunisch, Sergio Ruez-Villanueva (APECS T-MOSAIc), Azizuddin Khan (APECS-India), José Queirós (co-chair), Alexandra Zühr (APECS Germany), Jolanta Rieksta (Alpine Cryosphere), Azamat Tolipov (Antarctica Day, Remote Sensing Database), Stephanie Wright, Alfredo "Alpio" Costa (APECS Argentina), Dalia C. Barragán-Barrera (APECS Colombia), Geetha P.N. (India), Raphael Fernandes Vieira (APECS Brazil), Maaïke Dhondt (APECS Belgium), Deborah Bozzato (APECS Netherlands), Rúna Magnússon (APECS Netherlands), Deniz Vural

**Apologies:** William Harcourt, Tatiana Burmenko, Maciej Manko, Zia Madani, Julia Ciria, Gwenaëlle Gremion (ExCom), Heather Forrer, Katharina Heinrich, Juliana Souza-Kasprzyk, Lauren Negrazis, Priyanka (co-chair)

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## **Agenda**

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2. Social Media Policies
3. Directorate Updates
4. ExCom Updates
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  - Upcoming opportunities to become **APECS rep** (you will soon receive an email from us!)
    - i. Subcommittees of the next Strategic Plan of the SCAR
    - ii. ECR NoN Council
5. [Project Groups and National Committees Updates](#)
6. AOB
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## Minutes

7. Welcome to the new term
8. Social Media Policies
- System works in steps ; content is submitted and then posted by the social media team
  - Are there any opinions on how it works/criticism/input?
    - It would be nice to have twitter takeovers, for example with tweetdeck, where people could have direct access to the account
    - Process is a bit tedious, but works
    - System works really well & thanks for the social media team
9. Directorate Updates
- Look over the ExComm meetings send around → include the important points
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## 11. [Project Groups and National Committees Updates](#)

### PROJECT GROUPS

- Alpine Cryosphere Group: will write up/finalize the project plan ; focus: compile resources & want to announce the international mountain day (a new event)
- APECS Art group: submitted a project plan ; have started to contact artists for future webinars/workshops, two new members & have a lot of projects planned
- DEI Group: working on a project group plan ; activities: a survey for the memberships - keep an eye out for that , ...
- Team MOSAiC: still collecting and organizing vlogs/outreach, ... building the database of content ; soon will come an e-mail to submit your research for the interactive map
- Indigineous collaboration group - no updates today
- APECS Podcast group: project group plan will be submitted soon, release of Polar Times season 2 in the end of November, collaboration with the PG Antarctica day worked very well (see the episode from 1st Dec. on all podcast platforms), more collaborations with other PGs are planed, continuation with the biweekly release of episodes
- Remote Sensing Data Base: finalized the project plan. Created subgroups for better work efficiency. New member joined.
- Mental Health resources: entire change of group members -> working on the project group plan, want to set up a database for resources and publish it along with a kick-off webinar
- Science & diplomacy: plan a podcast idea, are currently finding plans for webinars, etc
- Mentorship database: currently meeting and working
- Overcoming language barriers in polar research - no updates today
- Communicating climate change ?? : group is currently forming and figuring out how to work/what to do ; will start to work with IPCC report
- Apecs international mentorship award group - no updates today
- IASC Fellowship award group - no updates today
- Antarctica Day 2021: almost done with this years content, had 5 activities (compared to 3 from the last year) which were a good success
- APECS International conference: plan is almost completed, date of the conference will maybe be mai, three ideas/topics for the conference are currently around, feedback would be great - link will be send around for that

- International polar week - no updates today
- APECS workshop at the arctic science summit - no updates today
- Workshop at the UArctic Congress - no updates today

#### 12. AOB

- APECS activities at a Arctic frontiers (?) conference Tromso
  - APECS Norway is involved
- Internal communication: suggestion of a slack or anything else