



2nd Council Meeting

17th February 2020, 1600 GMT & 2200 GMT

Present at Meeting 1: Jenn Cooper, Prashant Pandit, Sean Horvath (Chair), Gwenaëlle Gremion (IPCC Project, Interact Book), Priyanka (APECS workshop at SCAR 2020), Maud van Soest, Keechy Akkerman, Paula de Castro-Fernández, Lina Madaj, Marta Moreno Ibanez (IPCC project SOD-WGI-AR6), Hélène Bresson (March Polar Week), Christel Hansen

Present at Meeting 2: Elizabeth Orr (Chair), Lauren Thompson, John Read, Gabriela Roldan (ExCom ex-officio), Rodrigo Gomez, Emily Choy, Kabir Rasouli, Charlie Hewitt, Alex Borowicz, Madeleine Brasier, Deniz Vural, Neelu Singh, Shridhar Jawak, Boris Stanimirov

Apologies: Jessica Rohde, Elisa Seyboth, Clare Eayrs, Meghan Helmberger, Jose Queiros, Liezel Rudolph, Jan-Lukas Menzel, Jhon Mojica.

Meeting 1

Agenda:

1. Welcome and thanks for Council member reports
2. ExCom updates
 - a. Copyright issue: APECS had to pay several thousand Euros for a copyright issue on the website. In the future, use your own pictures, don't do google searches. APECS will try to have a repository of photos for use.
 - b. Organizational review committee, made up of council and advisory committee. Compiled a report, guidelines and basis for APECS next strategic plan.
3. Updates from Project Groups and National Committees
 - a. Gwen: APECS France, organized polar week around May (11 to 15th). Any interested, French speaking members can contact Gwen(gwenaelle.gremion@gmail.com) or APECS France(apecs.france@gmail.com) about offering participating.
 - b. Priyanka, APECS workshop at SCAR 2020. Decided workshop theme and finalized date and venue with local committee. Applications for funding are due

- by the end of March. Draft of program for workshop almost complete, final input by Feb 21.
- c. H el ene: I'm project group member and leader from March Polar Week 2020 (15th-21th March). We will have some online (quizz, photo contest, etc.) and in person meetings (with schools).
 - d. Marta, IPCC. 240 applications. Once participants are decided, chapters will be allocated in March.
4. Directorate Updates
- a. Two new project groups. Good responses from people. If you're interested, contact Gerlis.
 - i. **“Guide on reducing the environmental impact of Arctic research”**
 - ii. **“Pocket guide on proper field communication and positioning”**
5. Time zone changes reminder
6. AOB/questions
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Meeting 2

Agenda:

- 7. Welcome and thanks for Council member reports
- 8. ExCom updates
 - a. Gabriela: ExCom ex-officio for updates, other ExCom cannot attend
 - b. **Copyright issues/fines.** All materials getting checked for potential issues. Hit with fines, previously a little slack. Now to be proactive - for promotions/advertisements through APECS website + social, remember to see if any audio + photos + materials have copyright. Projects etc responsible for use of these materials. Contact ExCom if any doubts / second opinion needed
 - c. **Two new project groups - looking for volunteers.** If you're interested, contact Gerlis. Collaboration with INTERACT.
 - i. **“Guide on reducing the environmental impact of Arctic research”.** Working for a whole year with INTERACT. Great experience. Still looking for a few members.
 - ii. **“Pocket guide on proper field communication and positioning”.** Leader based at APECS office. Andrea (leader) looking for material and resources. Emphasis on great learning / collaboration experience. Not required to be an expert on cryosphere per se. Any field work experience is good.
 - d. **External reviewers for ORC (organizational review committee):** Feedback came back from report - looking at how organization has been managed over the past decade. Important for our next strategic plan. ExCom to look over reports, the document will become available for council. Council members do have a say - document is very important for our next 10-20 year plan (part of council's job

too). Council members will have time to look over and comment on the report. ExCom is always open if you have any questions/concerns. Remember everyone has their own ExCom contact.

9. Updates from Project Groups and National Committees (or good news/progress!)
 - a. Gabriela: **Arts group**. Going to contact the PG from March Polar Week to do an event that continues from last year, artists who are collaborating with science. Call for artists or researchers who are doing something similar, contact for an interview/database/blog for the activity. Contact: art@apec.is
 - b. **SCAR ECR event**: Should have a program in the next few weeks. Problem with workshop location, trying to find available room (local venue). Applied for grant - Murphy Initiative, won't know for 1-2 months on outcome. Project draft being made - considerations of impacts of travel.
 - c. Nathaniel: **Non academic careers PG**: Career directions outside the field of academia. Want a group meeting going - difficult to get people together. But making a project plan to set directions. Suggestions - checklist or pathways for non-academic trajectory, Pro/Cons for people to read about, how to draft CVs, looking to promote material (blogs, pamphlets). Slowly making progress, will keep updated.
 - d. Charlie: **Indigenous Collaborations**: Starting to establish new collaborations to gain perspective on projects
 - e. Gabriela: **Online conference**: Date set for 19-21 May, 2020, save the date to come. Advertisement to come! Abstract submissions to come - 10 min and 3-5 min presentation options. Details not set yet. Will need many volunteers (running sessions, judging, promoting among colleagues) - will be soliciting volunteers.
 - f. Neelu: **March Polar Week** group is looking for new members for small/large online or offline events - contact PGL/Neelu/ExCom. Polar week will be celebrated between 15 to 21 March, 2020.
 - g. Lauren: **DEI Group update**: Planning webinar for Indigenous Collaborations - webinar planned for next week (potentially Friday, Feb 28 but date is not yet firmly set). Also planning to make document of guidelines for code of conduct in field situations - partnership with PYRN and potentially others (Pride in Polar). Resource repository webpage has been launched: <https://apecs.is/career-resources/diversity-equity-inclusion/dei-resources.html> with articles, podcasts, webinars relating to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion under categories of Safety in science, Gender, LGBTQIA+, Ethnicity, Parenthood, Indigenous communities, Community Guidelines, Networks, Disability. Open to contributions to the community (+Add button)

Time zone changes reminder

10. AOB/questions

- a. Kabor: APECS published INTERACT field guide - wondering if pocket guide on field communication will differ from this / **alpine cryosphere group** is planning to prepare a similar thing (guidelines for fieldwork). **Gabriela**: INTERACT working with APECS for several years - network of arctic research station managers. Saw

need for guides for those first time/ unfamiliar to fieldwork. Free to download resources have been compiled over the years. New groups are complementary to the first INTERACT guide. Planned handbooks are more focused/specific.

b. Neelu + Lizzie: Don't forget to update the Away document - holiday or fieldwork. Feel free to contact ExCom or Council Chairs (Lizzie) if there are any questions/concerns.

c. Reminder from Gabriela: Social media guidelines + coordinators, planning to do more than just posting news/funding etc. Wanting to do something more interactive with the platforms. Reminder: To post anything on APECS social media, use this form, also looking for feedback to improve form. Remember to be careful with copyright issues. Streamlined way to go - comprehensive form for posting. Social media submission form online:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSehz7OArU6ygz2nhrjJ96MNe7b_8kEZAGYnV2dVoxGK7dzAg/viewform