

3rd Full Council Meeting - 13th February at 16:00 GMT



Attendees: Paul Rosenbaum, Jean Holloway, Roxanne Frappier, Gerlis Fugmann, Fiona Tummon, Gremion Gwenaelle, Jilda Caccavo, Morgan Seag, Florian Vidal, Kabir Rasouli, José Queirós, Grace Shephard, Hanna Kauko, Mathieu Casado, Clare Eayrs, Christel Hansen, Stefano Ambroso, David Velazquez, Donovan Dennis, Deniz Vural, Henrik Christiansen, Jenn Cooper, Kelsey Aho, Morgan Ip, Neelu Singh, Nadya Yanakieva, Christel Hansen, Adrian Dahood, Greta, Shridhar, Swati Nagar, Vikram Goel, Atreya Basu

Apologies: Juan Hofer, Cyril Jaksic, Sebastián Marinsek, Kyle Mayers, Sinan Yirmibesoglu, Natalie Freeman, Meagan Dewar, Nicolas Champollion, Bruno Ibinez, Amy Kirkham, Yi-Ming Gan

Minutes

1. New council members introduction
 - a. Morgan Ip, APECS Norway Rep, ethnographies of Northern landscapes (PhD)
 - b. Archana Dayal, representing UKPN, not currently present
2. ExCom news & updates
 - a. Development of APECS Code of Conduct
 - i. Being developed for NCs and Council in response to recent events related to political involvement of APECS National committees.
 - ii. Code of Conduct draft will be sent out to Council for feedback in the next month; aiming for completion by APECS World Summit - Will be shared and we will be allowed to comment
 - b. Partnership with INTERACT, APPLICATE, Nunataryuk, and ARICE (4 projects from EU Horizon-2020)
 - i. APPLICATE project:
<https://www.apecs.is/research/apecs-projects/applycate.html>
 1. Developing a resource list - feel free to share suggestions with Fiona
 2. APECS has recently put up some webinars; links are on the page above
 3. Registration will go out in the fall for [sorry I missed this one - can someone please fill it in?]
 - ii. INTERACT
 1. APECS is developing a fieldwork planning handbook and field guide

2. <https://www.apecs.is/research/apecs-projects/interact-2016-2020.html>
- iii. Nunataryuk
 1. <https://www.awi.de/en/science/geosciences/periglacial-research/projects/nunataryuk.html>
 2. Looking at permafrost coasts from natural and social sciences perspectives
 3. APECS is organizing two summer schools: one attached to next Nunataryuk general assembly in the fall 2018; second one will take place in 2020, likely to be organized with UNIS and include a large field component
 - iv. ARICE

<https://www.apecs.is/news/apecs-news/2326-arice-press-release-making-the-arctic-accessible-for-excellent-science-3.html>

 1. Likely to be of interest for those involved in ship-based marine sciences
 2. Research to take place on 6 icebreakers
 3. Opportunities will be available for ship-time (ECRs strongly encouraged to submit proposals for ship time)
 4. More info available in the spring; APECS will share information about application process
 5. Training will be available: online, in-person at conferences, and a summer school (most likely for 2020)
 - a. Summer school will involve ship-based training
 6. Partnerships with APECS will help ECRs identify career opportunities outside academia
 7. Funding is available for APECS to hire a part-time person to support this project, based in Potsdam (job announcement will be available in the next few weeks)
 - v. Take-away: there will be lots of opportunities for APECS Council members to get involved with these new projects
- c. Zoom booking system (see here for booking instructions) and Council meeting [calendar](#)
 - i. Gerlis says the new system seems to be working well
 - ii. Reminder that single license is being shared with other organizations, so it's crucial to follow booking instructions to avoid overlap between meetings and avoid meetings being cut off, etc.
 - iii. Reminder to add the time to booking form in APECS AND to Zoom - feel free to ask Gerlis any questions
 - iv. Note: Council meeting schedule is now on website
 1. Council members can check this to see what kinds of meetings are going on, including for working groups an individual member might not be part of (name of contact person is on calendar, so

you can always contact the group leader to ask to join their meeting if you're curious)

2. Deadlines are also marked on this calendar (eg Council Report deadline)
 - d. Polar2018 - don't forget to register for [World Summit](#), [Travel Awards](#), [Poster Award](#)
 - v. Also possible to sign up to be a judge for Poster Award
 - vi. Travel Awards deadline: Feb 28 (no late applications accepted; there has been high demand)
 - vii. World Summit registration open until March 31
 1. NCs: think about who you want to have attending the summit from your NC
 2. Note: First day of Summit is for Council, ExCom, and NC reps (up to 2 reps from NC welcome on first day, due to space restrictions)
 - e. Please check your e-mail for information on how to apply for a temporary ExCom position by this Friday, 16 February 2018.
2. National Committee updates
 - a. the last activities organized by different NCs
https://drive.google.com/open?id=1GgOjmHDzsnu7CwwtiDCglPqR_P42pSBWlhD_O78_wR8
 - b. Minutes of the last NC meeting:
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1VnpTv8HbKolzFMwQHDS-iKSPooCogXlfZqn31h2R8MM/edit?usp=sharing>
 - c. APECS Norway is looking for a logo :
<https://www.facebook.com/APECSNorway/photos/a.163505187622758.1073741828.145790932727517/163386590967951/?type=3&theater>
 3. Highlights from Council Reports
 - a. Review is ongoing
 - b. Thanks to everyone who submitted reports - it shows us what the council is up to and highlights any issues (and is a requirement if you are an individual council member!)
 - c. Remember that having nothing to report is still reporting - if the answer is "none" "n/a" that's fine and normal (the form can't be tailor-made for every individual person's role - so if you think something you are doing isn't covered by the form, let Council Chairs know!)
 - d. Many members are sharing APECS news and events on social media, speaking at schools and science fairs, universities and institutes.
 - e. Reminder to send any news/events for the website to info@apecs.is (a number of events are being shared, but only by a few people)
 - f. Face-to-face meetings: impossible to organise with our members spread across the globe, but don't forget you can organise APECS events at any meetings/conferences you go to: see [Important Deadlines/Links/Forms for Council Members](#) for further information.

- i. You can also organize an APECS-related event at your school, institute, etc.
 - g. The next report will be due May 31 and will be sent out around the end of April
 - i. If you will be out of contact (fieldwork, vacation, etc) during May, please let Jenn/Clare know ahead of time and we will send the report earlier
4. Council project groups:

Project group/ leaders	Updates
Antarctica Day Swati, Gabriela	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Project ended in December; -Now collecting reports from international activities that took place) -Flags from Antarctica Day arrived in Antarctica
Arctic Frontiers Fiona, Jean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Took place in Tromso; APECS helped organize 3 events (panel discussion on fieldwork; 3 days of science in schools, organized by Northern Norway Science Center; poster awards, with over 40 posters) -Overall a success! -Reports will be on website soon
EGU Grace, Jean/Ruth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Conference in approx 2 months. All going to plan. -Discussions being held with different divisions to coordinate events and maximize # of participants -Looks like there will be 2 events: first on Sunday afternoon geared toward cryosphere, second for all divisions and ECRs (to be held at a pub downtown) on the wednesday evening -Info will be available online (APECS website) and via Facebook events
International Online Conference Clare, Alex, Hanne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -https://www.apecs.is/news/apecs-news/2322-call-for-abstracts-now-open-for-the-apecs-international-online-conference-2018.html -Anyone interested is encouraged to submit an abstract -Council members will be invited to participate as chairs, etc. in coming meetings
MEASO Workshop Juan, Jilda, Alex, Hanne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Been a bit quiet in last two months, but before holidays there was a lot of activity (selecting themes, identifying and reaching out to speakers, etc.) -Theme is ready, room is reserved -In coming weeks, will be re-convening to confirm speakers
Mentor Award Jose, Alex, Gabriela	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Nominations are open until April 15 -Like last year, 2 categories for awards: "APECS" category (NCs

	<p>nominate someone); “Member” category (individual members nominate someone)</p> <p>-Announcement should be out on website later this week; will also be sent out through mailing list</p> <p>-NCs, Council, ExCom: think about whether you’d like to nominate someone!</p>
<p>Non-Academic Careers Paul, Jilda, Alex, Hanne</p>	<p>-Last year, worked on resources wanting to collect or create</p> <p>-Meeting later in February to discuss next steps; will bring something back to the group to post online soon thereafter</p>
<p>Polar Week Sara, Jean</p>	<p>-Polar Week is taking place March 19-25 2018</p> <p>-Polar Week is an opportunity for APECS to highlight everything that’s happening in polar research</p> <p>-Includes events (many online to include worldwide membership) as well as on-the-ground events, workshops, etc.</p> <p>-A poll was sent out to get Council feedback on what kinds of webinars to include: https://www.poll-maker.com/poll2016678x77B5422d-51</p> <p>-Also will include a blog series, and an “online party” (info coming soon)</p> <p>-NCs: if you’re hosting events, let Sara/Jean know so they can advertise and include it on the website</p>
<p>SCAR/IASC-APECS Links - Partner Links Jenn, Jilda, Alex, Hanne</p>	<p>-2nd meeting held recently; group is going well</p> <p>-Working on updates for both APECS and SCAR websites</p> <p>-Working on a mock-up of the website through Google Drawing</p> <p>-May be working with SCAR Astronomy & Astrophysics group to bring in a sub-group for APECS members (may be discussed at POLAR2018)</p> <p>-If anyone would like to join, group is always happy to have new people</p>
<p>Summary of Polar Organisations [TBD], Alex, Gabriela</p>	<p>-Has not been active this year</p>
<p>UArctic Congress Workshop [TBD], Alex</p>	<p>-Gerlis recently had a meeting with someone from UArctic Secretariat; anyone who has signed up from the working group should expect to hear from Gerlis soon</p>
<p>Webinars Group Jean, Christel</p>	<p>-This group has recently become up-and-running</p> <p>-Realized partner organizations and NCs/Council Members are organizing their own webinars; new direction for group is to organize and come up with a way of searching APECS webinar archive to set priorities and avoid too much duplication</p>
<p>World Summit 2018</p>	<p>-Currently finalizing sessions and speakers; about halfway done</p>

<p>Jenn, Alex, Jilda, Alice, Gerlis</p>	<p>-Some challenges with confirming speakers (eg conflicts with other events/sessions taking place in days leading up to POLAR2018) -If any Council members know of a potential speaker for an APECS sessions (eg an advisor or colleague), reach out to Jenn or other group leaders -Preliminary agenda: https://www.apecs.is/events/upcoming-event-highlights/polar-2018/apecs-world-summit-2018/1913-preliminary-agenda.html</p>
<p>Social Media Runa, Jean</p>	<p>-Over last few months, have developed a new social media strategy -Can always use more help - anyone interested feel free to join the group -Running Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter (through sub-groups) -Project group members are generating content; Jean, Alice, and Alex are running actual day-to-day posting -If you find relevant articles/announcements/job postings, feel free to contact Social Media group and fill out social media form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdoFdD4yenvoo3zFW5MTEYBGRzSfh8SasBlgt7p7wmk83slZw/viewform?usp=sf_link] or email social-media@apecs.is</p>
<p>IPCC Mathieu, Alex, Jilda</p>	<p>The project is moving forward pretty fast, we had more than a 100 applications. We should get roughly 60 new members in the beginning of March, we are organising training session for reviewer IPCC reports in March and April (Webinars actually - these will be archived so we can disseminate them later), and are writing a guide for the participants.</p>
<p>Language across borders ?</p>	<p>-Had a meeting recently -Working on a webinar to bring people from different disciplines together -Updates coming on next Council call</p>
<p>INTERACT handbooks Fiona, Gabriela</p>	<p>-Two handbooks are being produced: one about planning fieldwork; the other, a smaller book intended to be taken into the field -Planning handbook: full draft nearly prepared; will be sent to INTERACT Station Managers Forum later this week; they will provide feedback</p>
<p>Strengthening the Alpine Cryosphere in APECS Kabir, Jean, Donovan</p>	<p>We advertised the group to increase group members and now we have over 50 members. We had our first meeting in 2018 in January and discussed about the potential relevant grad programs, webinars, in person events in conferences, and collaborations</p>

	within the group. -Next meeting will be in mid-March
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5. Trial of new structure for the next Council Meeting
 - a. New ideas considered based on feedback from Council Reports
 - b. Current process is to try to find a time that works for the greatest number of people (so it tends to accommodate the same time zone)
 - c. Trial will be to run two meetings: one in one time zone; another 8 or so hours later
 - i. This trial will begin with the next Council meeting
 - ii. Identical agendas
 - iii. One chaired by one Council Chair; one by the other
 - iv. Minutes of both meetings to be available to everyone
 - v. Drawbacks include fewer ExCom members at each meeting; benefit includes broader participation by Council members
 - vi. Please send any feedback on trial run to Council Chairs
 - d. If you have any ideas of how to better run Council members, please let Council Chairs know
 - i. Option proposed: to record meetings (drawback would be that Council members listening to recording could not comment on the meeting)
6. Reminder to fill out [Periods of Absence document](#)
 - a. Periods of absence might be due to fieldwork, exams, conferences, etc.
7. AOB
 - a. Morgan Ip:
 - i. APECS Norway is looking for a logo:
<https://www.facebook.com/APECSNorway/photos/a.163505187622758.1073741828.145790932727517/163386590967951/?type=3&theater>
 - ii. NC Norway is organizing a seminar with University of Oslo, and they are still looking for some speakers: incl. one speaker in social sciences
 - b. Neelu:
 - i. Is it possible to both register to present a poster, and register to judge the other poster session? (Gerlis says yes, most likely; Ruth will give final answer)