



5th Council Meeting

10th September 2020, 930 GMT & 1500 GMT

Present at Meeting 1: Lizzie Orr, Priyanka, Jill Diederich, Lisa Winberg von Friesen, Olga Kulikova, Tayana Arakchaa, Mikhail Latonin, Deniz Vural, Doğaç Baybars İşiler, José Queirós, Rodrigo Gomez-Fell, Clare Eayrs, Dhanendra Singh, Katharina Heinrich, Elisa Seyboth, Jhon Mojica.

Present at Meeting 2: Sean Horvath, Alexis Bahl, Andrea Bueno, Carla Tapia Baldis, Claudia Maturana, Gwen, Jesus Lucero, Jilda Alicia Caccavo, Hiral Jain, Joana Fragao, John Read, Jonathan Wood, Kara Layton, Katya Uryupova, Kirsi Keskitalo, Lina Madaj, Lucas Henrique, Maud van Soest, Nicholas Parlato, Nicole Stark, Neelu Paula de Castro-Fernández, Renato Borrás, Rosaria Erika Pileci, Sasha Leidman, Scott Sugden, Shridhar, Allison, Cinthya Bello, Hugo Guímaro, Lauren Thompson, Francesc Roura-Adserias, Christel Hansen, Marta Moreno Ibáñez

Apologies: Emily Choy, Sarah Shakil

Meeting 1

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Welcome all new and returning council members to the APECS Council
 - Lizzie made her opening speech. She gave her best wishes to all participants.
2. ExCom updates
 - There were no ExCom members at this meeting.
3. Brief updates from Project Groups and National Committees (see notes below)
 - a. Polar Week: September. Exciting talks and a new podcast!
<https://www.apecs.is/events/upcoming-event-highlights/international-polar-week-september-2020.html>
 - b. APECS SCAR2020 Webinar videos up on Vimeo (<https://vimeo.com/apecs>)
 - c. UArctic Congress will now be putting on an online event on October 14th for polar careers. Details on twitter and all social media
4. Directorate Updates
 - There was no update shared at this meeting.

5. AOB/questions

- Jill Diederich asked about APECS Arts about their situations. Therefore, Lizze answered that they are going to have their meetings in the coming weeks.

Meeting 2

Agenda/Minutes:

1. Welcome all new and returning council members to the APECS Council
2. ExCom updates
 - a. Upcoming opportunities for council members:
 - i. Excom elections,
 1. Review period: Sept 10th - Sept 20th
 - a. Q&A: Council members can submit questions they want candidates to answer.
 - b. Link to videos prepared by applicants
 - c. Email will go out to council members
 2. Voting is Sept 21st - Sept 25th
 3. Each council member gets 1 vote for 5 members
 4. Each NC gets 1 vote for 5 members
 5. Sept 26th - Sept 30th is the transition period from old excom to new excom.
 - ii. Strategic plan drafting
 1. Can submit editorial suggestions
 2. Sept 14th - Sept 21st for suggestions
 3. Final draft of plan will be circulated to council for approval around Sept 23rd.
 4. Have until Sept 30th to vote on approving Strategic plan
3. Brief updates from Project Groups and National Committees (see notes below)
 - a. IPCC Project:
 - i. Working on the second draft of the AR6-WGII, deadlines pushed back due to covid19. Call for applications: <https://www.apecs.is/news/apecs-news/4146-call-for-reviewers-of-the-second-order-draft-of-the-working-group-ii-contribution-to-the-ipcc-sixth-assessment-report-ar6-2.html>
 - ii. By beginning of November, there will be a selection of applicants for group review
 - iii. Review from December to January
 - iv. End of Jan will send review
 - b. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:
 - i. Drafted and published a code of conduct and bill of rights for polar field work. On APECS website <https://www.apecs.is/diversity-equity-inclusion/field-code-of-conduct.html>

- ii. Working on session at AGU 2020 on diversity and inclusion within geosciences. Finding invited speakers.
 - iii. Working on several webinars. Will be posted on APECS website
 - c. UArctic Congress
 - i. October Workshop. Put out call for abstracts, encouraging early career scientists to apply.
 - ii. Close to confirming keynote speaker.
 - d. USAPECS
 - i. Working on polar film fest
 - e. Polar Week
 - i. <https://apecs.is/events/upcoming-event-highlights/international-polar-week-september-2020.html>
 - ii. Opened call for [photo competition](#): deadline Sep 18th, 23:59 GMT
 - iii. Any further events can be submitted via the [form](#) on the web page to be added to the [list of events](#).
 - f. Polar Times
 - i. New APECS podcast
 - ii. First episodes will hopefully be released to coincide with Polar Week
 - iii. Still looking for members to help
 - iv. Looking for guests to interview, anyone who is in polar science
 - v. To suggest people to interview: <https://forms.gle/ad1AaqkVErZYt4XA>
 - g. Alpine Cryosphere Group
 - i. We've been working on the mountain field guide first draft. Will be finished by the end of September.
 - ii. We are organizing a series of webinars related to natural hazards in mountain areas: the first one Will be presented by the beginning of October.
- 4. Directorate Updates
 - a. Gerlis has left APECS. Working on finding a new Director. Process is still ongoing.
 - b. Election committee was chosen by ExCom and AWI. Submitted top choice from applicants to AWI.
- 5. AOB/questions:

Updates from Project Groups:

IPCC Group Review

Call for applications closes on September 23 <https://www.apecs.is/news/apecs-news/4146-call-for-reviewers-of-the-second-order-draft-of-the-working-group-ii-contribution-to-the-ipcc-sixth-assessment-report-ar6-2.html>

INTERACT communication and navigation guidebook

Alpine Cryosphere Group

Polar Organisations Overview PG

T-MOSAiC Project Group

March Polar Week 2020

APECS Online Conference

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Polar Research (DEI)

Mentorship Award (MA)

APECS SCAR2020 Workshop

Workshop videos are up and can be watched at Vimeo Channel of APECS. Available at:

<https://vimeo.com/apecs>

Feel free to share further among interested peer groups.

APECS Online Conference

UArctic Congress Workshop 2020 (moved to 2021)

UArctic Congress was postponed. Therefore the workshop which is organized by APECS at UArctic Congress will now be put as the online event on October 14th for Polar Careers.

PS: Physical workshop event is planning to be organized in May 2021.

For more details: Related social media accounts can be followed or an e-mail sent to C.hewitt0803@gmail.com.

September Polar Week 2020

We are delighted to announce that International Polar Week September will take place between **September 20th-26th!**

We will be hosting various events including Photo Contest, Polar Art Blog, Get-Together online meeting as well as many inspiring talks and podcasts for the first time!

Please check out our web page on further events and details:

<https://www.apecs.is/events/upcoming-event-highlights/international-polar-week-september-2020.html>

You can feel free to message either vrl.dnz@gmail.com or lmadaj@marum.de for comments & questions.

Look forward to celebrating Polar Week together!