



## **APECS Council Report – September 2014 - February 2015**

### **Council co-chairs:**

Mika Laiho — United Kingdom  
Hanne Nielsen — New Zealand

### **Council members:**

Alia Khan — United States	Francyne Elias-Piera — Spain and Brazil
Alice Bradley — United States	Sílvia Lourenço — Portugal and Brazil
Ellyn Enderlin — United States	Laura Ferguson — United Kingdom
Dave Grant — United States and New Jersey	Daria Shapovalova — United Kingdom
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Roxanne Beltran — United States	Anna Varfolomeeva — Russia and Hungary
Jennifer Balmer — United States	Rachel Downey — Germany
Laura Fleming-Sharp — Canada and United States	Elena Kuznetsova — Norway
Laura Elena Kelvin — Canada	Erik Behrens — New Zealand
Scott Zolkos — Canada	Minkyong Kim — S. Korea
Amanda Winegardner — Canada	Archana Dayal — India

The following is an indication of activities during January-June 2014.

### **Organization**

- Council calls, RAC calls, MIC calls
- Posted jobs from various listservers, posting news
- Posted opportunities for graduate studies
- Posted news articles to the APECS Polar News site
- Posted quarterly newsletters.
- Updated website with information about conferences
- Worked on fixing broken links and testing the new structure on the webpage
- Hosted online webinars and uploaded content to webpage
- New website content uploaded
- Updated APECS internal mailing lists
- Updated funding database
- Developed Research highlights
- IPRN Cool Clicks Photography Contest

### **Participation to past conferences and organization of APECS events / workshops**

- APECS at the AGU's fall meeting
- Bharatiya Vigyan Sammelan
- APECS career development panel at the American Geophysical Union fall meeting
- Arctic Circle in Reykjavik, Iceland
- Jokkmokk Winter Conference, Jokkmokk, Sweden

## **Planning of APECS events/ workshops at meetings and conferences in 2014-15 and contributions with poster / presentations related to APECS activities**

- Polar Week (March 2015)
- Research feature on terrestrial-aquatic linkages and the Arctic carbon cycle
- Research feature focusing on indigenous languages in the Arctic
- APECS online conferences:
  - o New Perspectives in Polar Sciences- for ECS to present their work to others in the new webinar format
  - o Arctic Snapshots- for connecting scientists Arctic bases with each other.

### **EOC.**

- Polar Week (March 2015)
- Organising New Polar Outreach Blog
- Networking with other outreach and education groups.
- Evaluation of overall efforts.
- Antarctica Day de-briefing

### **MIC.**

- 'Where are they now?' Project (still underway).
- APECS World Summit.
- APECS Promo material.
- APECS Mentorship Award.

### **RAC.**

- Research Features (unmanned aircraft in polar science, telemetry equipment to understand predatory behaviour, D-I-Y instrumentation, terrestrial polar ecosystems, terrestrial aquatic linkages to carbon cycle).
- Planning Virtual Poster Session.
- Planning Year of Polar Prediction (YOPP), research features and Webinars.
- Webinars.
- Antarctica Day de-briefing

### **Opportunities for Involvement:**

- Write a post for the EOC 'Polar Outreach Blog' through the Education and Outreach Committee: <http://apecs.arcticportal.org/outreach/polar-outreach-resources/polar-outreach-blog>. (Contact Amanda Winegardner at: amanda.winegardner@gmail.com.) Research feature on terrestrial-aquatic linkages and the Arctic carbon cycle
- US APECS recently formed, putting together a board (Contact Alice Bradley at: bradley.alice@gmail.com and Ellyn Enderlin at: ellyn.enderlin@gmail.com.)
- Join the social media committee to help curate content (Contact Hanne Nielsen at: Hanne.nielsen@utas.edu.au and Jennifer Balmer at: jennifer.e.balmer@gmail.com.)
- APECS national committee in the UK (the UKPN) has been organising a sub-committee group of Social Scientists, which is open to ECRs across the entire APECS community. (Contact Mika Laiho at: m.j.laiho@durham.ac.uk.)