

2nd PGL Meeting

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Apologies: Hiral Jain (Remote Sensing Database), Marta Ibanez (IPCC Group Review), Maciej Mańko (Mentorship Award), Sergio Villanueva (T-Mosaic Vlogs)

Agenda

1. Reminder:

- a. [Funding](#)
 - i. APECS will provide funding for events (follow above link to request).
- b. [Report End of Project Group and/or Event](#)
 - i. Fill out the above report whenever a project group or event ends.

2. [Project Group Updates](#)

- a. **Alpine Cryosphere**
 - i. Mountain Field Guide currently under review, currently planning online webinars, created team Twitter account. Problems with participation from group members.
 - ii. Try and deal with participation issues by holding meetings at different times, sending email updates, etc.
- b. **APECS Art**
 - i. Reorganized larger group into smaller subgroups, working with Polar Week project group to hold art competition. Problems with participation from group members.
- c. **Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion (DEI)**
 - i. No update given.
- d. **Non-Academic Careers**

- i. No members in attendance. From update form: “We are combining information from women in non-academic careers to make a post about the theme. The initial plan was to be ready with that by February 11 to then make it part of the celebration of the International Day of Women and Girls in Science, but it had to be postponed.”
- e. Polar Organizations Overview**
 - i. No update given.
- f. T-MOSAiC Vlogs**
 - i. No members in attendance. From update form: “Established a ‘standard’ approach to contact interested participants (i.e. made a brochure, information form, etc.), as well as made a proper contact form for participants. Created a ‘sample’ vlog from one of our group members to show to interested participants as an example. Lack of interest/participation from some members. Difficulty contacting such members (long response waiting time, etc.). Since project is still at its early stages, it is hard to advertise the initiative to interested participants. As such, the beginning portion of this will be word of mouth and reaching out to potential individuals from networks. Will be meeting later this week to discuss next steps (contacting participants and video editing of submitted content).”
- g. Indigenous collaborations**
 - i. No members in attendance. From update form: Last meeting took place on 10th of February. We started to prepare for March Polar Week where we plan to organize a webinar with indigenous participation. To do so, we have contacted Polar Week group. We also plan to contact indigenous organization until the end of March.
- h. APECS Podcasts**
 - i. Continuing to produce episodes, working with Polar Week group to make special episode. Previous issues with disclaimer form, should be resolved now.
- i. Remote Sensing Database**
 - i. Created survey to see how the polar community uses remote sensing data in research (successful survey, already 50+ responses).
- j. Mental Health Resources**
 - i. Developing survey to send APECS members about the best way to use mental health resources; will help direct group focus and will be used to build a resource database.

- k. Science & Diplomacy**
 - i. No members in attendance. From update form: “We are in close contact with the ASSW event group, arranging our first webinar on Science and Diplomacy. We will have a contribution for ASSW and are developing a follow-up webinar for May.”
- l. APECS International Mentorship Award 2021**
 - i. Updating award criteria and descriptions, waiting on ExCom’s decision to merge/not merge award categories.
- m. APECS International Online Conference 2021**
 - i. Date for conference set, planning to give space at conference for other APECS project groups (8-10 minute presentations), about to open abstract submission.
- n. APECS International Polar Week March 2021**
 - i. Working with the Art, Podcast, and Indigineous groups on event; need to finalize a few small details, but event is running smoothly.
- o. APECS International Polar Week September 2021**
 - i. Waiting for March Polar Week to end before starting planning.
- p. APECS Workshop at UArctic Congress 2020/21**
 - i. Due to COVID-19, group decided to postpone event until October because this event is best engaged in-person.
- q. IPCC Group Review**
 - i. Finished.
- r. Antarctica Day 2020**
 - i. Finished, writing guide for future similar events.

3. AOB/questions