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***JOIN US: BECOME A NPAC FELLOW***

Early-career researchers/professionals apply for a fellowship to participate in:

The <sup>10th</sup> North Pacific Arctic Conference  
***Will Great-Power Politics Threaten Arctic Sustainability?***  
November 4-7, 2020  
Imin International Conference Center, East-West Center  
Honolulu, HI

The North Pacific Arctic Conference (NPAC), co-organized by the East-West Center and the Korea Maritime Institute, is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. This innovative conference provides a venue for off-the-record engagement among policymakers/practitioners and scientists/analysts regarding Arctic issues of mutual interest to leading North Pacific Arctic states (Canada, Russia, and the United States) and non-Arctic states (China, Japan, and South Korea). NPAC aims to provide early identification of key policy issues and improved understanding of major options for addressing these issues in the context of the Arctic Council and elsewhere. All six North Pacific states are members of the G-20. Together, they account for more than 50% of the world's greenhouse gas emissions as well as a large share of global commerce.

**DUE TO COVID-19 THE AUGUST CONFERENCE HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED TO NOVEMBER 4-7, 2020  
APPLICATIONS ALREADY SUBMITTED FOR THE AUGUST DATES WILL BE CONSIDERED**

Specific goals of NPAC include:

- Provide a forum on Arctic issues that is globally framed
- Identify emerging policy challenges and trends
- Develop a network of well-informed leaders
- Facilitate an exchange across a range of perspectives
- Identify innovative approaches for effective outreach strategies
- Engage indigenous peoples of the Arctic
- Attract and involve the next generation of policy and science leaders:  
*Explicitly, solicit the contributions of knowledgeable young people who will become leaders in addressing Arctic science and policy issues emerging in global affairs*

In support of this last, critical goal, funds are available to support up to five competitive Early-Career Arctic Researchers as NPAC Fellows. They will join a group of world class international researchers and policymakers in addressing contemporary issues affecting the Arctic. This year the NPAC theme is *Will Great-Power Politics Threaten Arctic Sustainability?* The 2020 NPAC Concept Note, Agenda, and Members of the Steering Committee are available on the East-West Center Website (<https://www.eastwestcenter.org/scholarships-fellowships/npacfellowship>). NPAC Fellows will have the opportunity to interact with these thought leaders and actively participate in the Conference sessions. There may be opportunity to contribute to the Conference volume that is expected to be published in early 2021.

To apply, send:

- A two-page biosketch that must include contact information, education, and professional experience;
- A letter of recommendation from someone familiar with the relevance of your work to the Arctic;
- A statement addressing what you will be able to contribute to one of the four 2020 NPAC Thematic Sessions (see below). Maximum word limit is 700 words.
- **Send this application material to the Conference Secretariat at the East-West Center: NPACFellows@EastWestCenter.org**

**Eligibility:** Early-career researchers or professionals (five years or less post Ph.D. or terminal degree), or advanced graduate students with professional research experience that is relevant to the Arctic, of any nationality.

**2020 NPAC Thematic Sessions:** II. A Focus on the Bering Strait Region; III. The Northern Sea Route: Sustainability of Large Scale Businesses in the Arctic; IV. Arctic Maritime Cooperation - Securing a Sustainable Future; V. NPAC's Future- Where are we going?

## **Important Dates:**

Applications due: **July 15, 2020**

Anticipated Announcement of Fellows: **July 30, 2020**

Logistics: Conference organizers will provide round-trip economy airfare and lodging in university-type accommodation. Most meals will be provided.

See <https://www.eastwestcenter.org/research/research-projects/north-pacific-arctic-conference%20> or <https://www.kmi.re.kr/eng/trebook/list.do?rbsidx=223> for all previous NPAC Conference volumes.

The 2019 NPAC Conference Volume:

Corell, Robert W., Jong Deong Kim, Yoon Hyong Kim, Arild Moe, David W. VanderZwaag, and Oran R. Young, eds. (2019). *The Arctic in world affairs: A North Pacific dialogue on global-Arctic interactions: The Arctic moves from periphery to center*. Busan, Republic of Korea: Korea Maritime Institute; and Honolulu, Hawaii: East-West Center <https://www.eastwestcenter.org/publications/the-arctic-in-world-affairs-north-pacific-dialogue-global-arctic-interactions-the> or <https://www.kmi.re.kr/eng/trebook/view.do?rbsidx=223&idx=12>

**Volumes from previous Conferences can be found at:**

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