



International Science Initiative in the Russian Arctic (ISIRA)

25 April 2015, 09.00 – 12.30
Arctic Science Summit Week 2015
Toyama (Japan)

Draft Minutes

The meeting was attended by about 30 participants from 9 countries (Japan, Germany, USA, Canada, Russia, Norway, China, South Korea and Finland), including:

ISIRA Members

Arkady Tishkov, Russia (Chair)
David Scott, Canada
Dieter Piepenburg, Germany
Atskuko Sugimoto, Japan
Winfried Dallmann, Norway
Sergey Priamikov, Russia
Yulia Zaika, Russia (IASC Fellow)
Lee Cooper, USA
Volker Rachold, IASC

Invited Participants

David Hik, Canada
Tatiana Vlasova, Russia
Tamara Litvinenko, Russia
Alexander Makshtas, Russia
Vladimir Pavlenko, Russia

ISIRA Early Career Scientists

Gleb Kraev, Russia
Michael Ivanov, Russia
Andrei Medvedev, Russia
Andrian Vlahov, Russia (IASC Fellow)

1 OPENING

1.1 WELCOME AND PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The ISIRA Chair and IASC Executive Secretary opened the meeting and noted that it is open for guests and observers.

1.2 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

The Secretariat did not receive any comments on the minutes of the last meeting and they were approved.

1.3 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted.

1.4 ISIRA ACTIVITY REPORT

Under this agenda item the ISIRA Chair Arkady Tishkov, ISIRA Fellow Yulia Zaika, Sergey Priamikov and the IASC Executive Secretary Volker Rachold provided short reports, summarizing the activities since the last ISIRA Meeting. Alexander Makshtas presented an overview of observational networks in the Russian Arctic.

The presentations (Tishkov, Makshtas) are available on the ISIRA website.

1.5 ARKHANGELSK SCIENTIFIC CENTER

IASC Vice President Vladimir Pavlenko, Director of the Arkhangelsk Scientific Center of the Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, introduced the center and its activities.

2 ISIRA EARLY CAREER SCIENTISTS PRESENTATIONS

The ISIRA funded Early Career Scientists (ECSs) Gleb Kraev, Michael Ivanov, Andrei Medvedev and Andrian Vlachov (IASC Fellow) briefly introduced themselves and their scientific interests.

The presentations (Kraev, Ivanov, Medvedev, Vlachov) are available on the ISIRA website.

3 ISIRA INPUT TO ICARP III AND IPPI

Volker Rachold introduced this agenda item. The presentation was followed by a round table discussion with invited participants and ISIRA members.

The presentation (ICARP_IPPI) is available on the ISIRA website.

It was agreed that the ISIRA group should provide some input to the ICARP III process. Dieter Piepenburg and Yulia Zaika volunteered to coordinate the effort.

4 ISIRA BUSINESS

4.1 ISIRA NATIONAL REPORTING

Brief national summaries were given by the ISIRA Members. Complete inventories were provided by each ISIRA member country in written form before the meeting, using the ISIRA national reporting template. Under this agenda item each member country highlighted one or two major projects.

The presentations (Germany, Japan, Norway, USA) are available on the ISIRA website.

Atskuko Sugimoto introduced a report of a Russian-Japanese workshop that was held October 2014.

The report (Japan_Russia_Workshop_Oct_2014) is available on the ISIRA website.

4.2 ISIRA WEBSITE

IASC Fellow Andrian Vlahov presented the concept of a new ISIRA website.

The presentation (ISIRA_website) is available on the ISIRA website.

ISIRA Members thanked Andrian Vlahov and Sergey Priamikov for their effort and agreed that the new website should be made public and that all files from the old ISIRA pages under the IASC website should be transferred to the new one.

5 NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next ISIRA meeting would be held in conjunction with the Arctic Science Summit Week 2016 in Fairbanks (USA) on 12-20 March 2016.