



Northern Research Forum

The 3<sup>rd</sup> NRF Open Meeting:

## The Resilient North – Human Responses to Global Change

Yellowknife, NWT, Canada, September 15 -18, 2004

Hosted by the Government of the Northwest Territories, the City of Yellowknife, Aurora College,  
and the community of Rae Edzo, and organized by the Northern Research Forum  
in cooperation with the Canadian Polar Commission

### PROGRAM

#### Registration

Registered delegates are invited to pick up the NRF Registration Package at the registration desk during the following times: 21:00 to 22:30, Tuesday, September 14, Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building  
08:00 to 09:00, Wednesday, September 15, Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building

#### Message centre

A message board will be available in the Great Hall during the sessions on Wednesday, September 15 and Saturday, September 18. Delegates are invited to post messages on the board.

#### Bus schedules

Bus transportation arranged for the Forum participants who have signed up for the lunch cruise and City tour will depart from the Explorer Hotel at 12:50 p.m., Tuesday, September 14.

Bus transportation to Rae Edzo will depart from the Explorer Hotel at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, September 16.

#### Special requests from the organizers

- For security purposes, please ensure your NRF name badge is visible at all times while in the Legislative Assembly building".
- Please note that food and beverage, other than water, is not permitted in the Legislative Assembly Chamber and the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre auditorium.

### Tuesday, September 14, 2004

#### Registration, excursions, and preparation meetings

- 09:30-05:00    NRF Steering Committee meets in the Legislative Assembly Building (room A)
- 10:00            Meeting of the NRF Northern Host Planning Committee and the NRF Steering Committee
- 12:50-17:00    Yellowknife Tours, organized by the Northern Host Committee and the Aurora World Corporation
- 20:30-22:00    Young Researchers meet with NRF Steering Committee and Secretariat members in Yellowknife Inn
- 21:00-22:30    Registration in the Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building

## Wednesday, September 15, 2004

08:00-09:00 Registration in the Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building

### ➤ OPENING SESSION: 09:00-12:30

09:00 **Opening Prayers**

Welcome and Prayer Song, Sisters of the Drum

**Venue:** Legislative Assembly Building

09:30 **Welcoming Addresses**

**Venue:** Legislative Assembly Building

**Master of Ceremony:** Dr. Steven Bigras, Executive Director, Canadian Polar Commission

#### Speakers:

- Her Excellency the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada
- Chief Darrell Beaulieu, Yellowknife's Dene First Nation (Ndilo), Canada
- The Honourable Ethel Blondin-Andrew, Minister of State, Northern Development, Government of Canada
- The Honourable Charles Dent, Government House Leader, Minister of Education, Culture and Employment Government of the Northwest Territories, Canada
- His Worship Gordon Van Tighem, Mayor of the City of Yellowknife, Canada
- Mr. Maurice Evans, President of Aurora College, Canada
- Dr. Lassi Heininen, Chairman of the Northern Research Forum Steering Committee, Finland

10:15-10:35 Coffee and refreshments

10:35 **Plenary 1: Perspectives of appointed and elected officials**

**Venue:** Legislative Assembly Building

**Chair:** The Honourable Jack Anawak, Ambassador for Circumpolar Affairs, Canada

#### Panellists:

- His Excellency Gunnar Palsson, Ambassador, Chair of the Arctic Council's Senior Arctic Officials, Iceland
- The Honourable Ethel Blondin-Andrew, Minister of State, Northern Development, Government of Canada
- His Excellency Atis Sjanīts, Latvian Ambassador to Canada, Latvia
- Ms. Julie Kitka, President of the Alaska Federation of Natives, USA

#### Keynote Address:

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Adrienne Clarkson, Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada

12:30 Lunch on own

### ➤ PLENARY 2: 14:00-18:00

14:00 **Plenary 2: Governance, Resources and Co-management**

**Venue:** Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building

**Chair:** Thorsteinn Gunnarsson, Rector, University of Akureyri, Iceland and Zaneta Ozolina, Professor of Political Science, University of Latvia, Riga

#### Panellists:

- Arnold Brower, Jr., Special Assistant to Mayor Ahmaogak, North Slope Borough Mayor's Office, USA
- Ivar Kristiansen, Member of Parliament, Norway
- Carl Christian Olsen, Executive Council member, Inuit Circumpolar Conference, Greenland
- John B. Zoe, Dogrib Chief Negotiator, Dogrib Treaty 11 Council, Canada
- Kirill Vladimirovich Istomin, Department of Ethnography/Cultural Anthropology, Komi Science Center, Ural Division of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Komi Republic, Russia

15:50-16:10 Coffee and refreshments

16:10 **Square Hour: Presentations by young researchers**

**Presenters:**

- Martha Dowsley, PhD Candidate, Geography Department, McGill University, Canada
- Nina Hayrynen, PhD Candidate, Department of Regional Studies and Environmental Policy, University of Tampere; Graduate School for Russian and East European Studies, Aleksanteri Institute, Finland
- Toms Rostoks, Lecturer and PhD Candidate, Department of Political Science, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Latvia

17:00-18:00 **Closing discussions among panellists, young researchers and general participants**

19:00-21:00 **Reception and Buffet, hosted by the City of Yellowknife**  
**Venue:** Mess facilities

**Welcoming Address:**

Sarah Wright, Chair of the Local Host Committee, and Director, Yellowknife Campus, Aurora College

21:00-23:00 **Northern Travelling Film Festival**  
**Venue:** Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre

- *The Muskox Patrol /La Patrouille Artique* by Ole Gjerstad, Canada
- *Fear of the People Without Borders* by Johs. Kalvemo & Hilde Korsæth, Norway
- *Tiny Katerina* by Ivan Golovnev, Russia

**Thursday, September 16, 2004**

➤ **PLENARY 3 & CULTURAL PROGRAM IN RAE EDZO**

09:00 **Bus transportation to Rae Edzo depart from the Explorer Hotel**

10:30 **Prayers and Welcome by Chiefs and Elders in Edzo**  
Coffee break

11:15 **Plenary 3: Cultural Resilience and the Tourist Economy**  
**Venue:** Chief Jimmy Bruneau School  
**Chair:** Patricia Longley Cochran, Executive Director, Alaska Native Science Commission, USA

**Panellists:**

- Larissa Abrutina, Vice-president, Russian Association of the Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON), Russia
- Noel D. Broadbent, Professor/Archaeologist, Arctic Studies Center, Department of Anthropology, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, USA
- Tarmo Jomppanen, Museum Director of Siida Sámi Museum, Inari, Finland

13:00-14:15 Lunch

14:15 **Square Hour: Presentations by young researchers**

**Presenters:**

- Colleen M. Davison, PhD Candidate, Centre for Health and Policy Studies, University of Calgary, Canada.
- Veli-Pekka Tynkkynen, PhD Candidate, Department of Geography, University of Helsinki, Finland
- Amy L. Wiita, Research Associate and PhD Candidate, Department of Anthropology, University of Alaska Fairbanks, USA

15:15-16:15 **Closing discussions among panellists, young researchers and general participants**

16:30 **Busses depart from Edzo for Rae**

17:00 **Cultural program and feast in Rae**  
**Venue:** Rae Cultural Centre

19:00-20:00 **Departures from Rae for Yellowknife**

21:00-22:00 **Northern Travelling Film Festival**  
**Venue:** Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre

- *The Hunt* by Dennis Allen, Canada

## Friday, September 17, 2004

### Project Day

The Project Day sessions – three being simultaneously conducted at different locations - address a variety of ongoing projects, initiatives, topics and programs in the format of a workshop or presentations followed by general discussion. **Please find in your Conference Kit or on the Registration Desk a specific program or description for each of the Project Day session.**

#### ➤ **MORNING SESSIONS: 09:00-12:30**

Coffee and refreshments will be available on site at different times, specific for each session

09:00-12:30 **Environment Assessment & Sustainable Land Use and Resource Planning**

**Venue:** Caucus Room, Legislative Assembly Building

**Sponsor:** Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, Northwest Territories Region

**Organizers:** Rhian Christie, Policy Advisor, Policy and Planning; Randy L. Cleveland, Director, Policy and Planning; and Lorraine Seale, A/ Resource Management Advisor, Environment & Conservation, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada - NWT Region, Yellowknife, Canada

09:00-12:30 **Northern Traveling Film Festival**

**Venue:** Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre

**Organizer and Chair:** Andrei Golovnev, Professor and Filmmaker, Institute of History and Archeology, Ural Branch of Russian Academy of Sciences, Ekaterinburg, Russia

09:00-10:45 **Research for, with, and by Northern Society: *International Research Agenda for the Emerging Circumpolar World***

**Venue:** Council Chamber, City Hall

**Host:** Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies (ACUNS) and the Canadian Polar Commission (CPC)

**Organizers:** Steven Bigras, Executive Director, Canadian Polar Commission; Peter Johnson, Chair, Canadian Polar Commission; and Jim McDonald, Vice-President ACUNS, Canada

**Session Chair:** Peter Johnson, Chair, Canadian Polar Commission

11:00-12:30 **Research for, with, and by Northern Society: *Community Based Research in the North***

**Venue:** Council Chamber, City Hall

**Host:** Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies (ACUNS) and the Canadian Polar Commission (CPC)

**Organizers:** Steven Bigras, Executive Director, Canadian Polar Commission; Peter Johnson, Chair, Canadian Polar Commission; and Jim McDonald, Vice-President ACUNS, Canada

**Session Chair:** Jim McDonald, Vice-President, ACUNS, Canada

12:30-14:00 Lunch on own

➤ **AFTERNOON SESSIONS: 14:00-17:30**

Coffee and refreshments will be available on site at different times, specific for each session

14:00-17:30 **Northern Traveling Film Festival (continued)**

14:00-17:30 **Economies in the North**

**Venue:** Caucus Room, Legislative Assembly Building

**Organizers:** Lee Huskey, Professor, Department of Economics, College of Business and Public Policy, University of Alaska Anchorage, USA, and Joan Nymand Larsen, Senior Scientist and AHDR Project Manager, Stefansson Arctic Institute, Iceland

**Chair:** Lee Huskey, Professor of Economics, University of Alaska Anchorage, USA

14:00-15:30 **The University of the Arctic**

**Venue:** Lower level boardroom, City Hall

**Host:** Aurora College, Northwest Territories, Canada

**Organizers, Presenters and Chairs:** Margaret Imrie, Director of Policy and Programs, Aurora College, Canada, and Greg Poelzer, Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of the Arctic, University of Saskatchewan, Canada

15:45-17:30 **Northern Nursing Programs**

**Venue:** Lower level boardroom, City Hall

**Host:** Aurora College, Northwest Territories, Canada

**Organizer:** Denise Bowen, Chairperson, Health Programs, Aurora College

14:00-17:30 **Research for, with, and by Northern Society: *Northern Research in the Public Interest***

**Venue:** Council Chamber, City Hall

**Host:** Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies (ACUNS) and the Canadian Polar Commission (CPC)

**Organizers:** Steven Bigras, Executive Director, Canadian Polar Commission; Peter Johnson, Chair, Canadian Polar Commission; and Jim McDonald, Vice-President ACUNS, Canada

**Session Chair:** Francois Trudel, ACUNS, and Universite Laval, Canada

19:00-22:00 **Northern Travelling Film Festival**

**Venue:** Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre

- *Arctic Dreamer: The Lonely Quest of Vilhjalmur Stefansson*. Director Peter Raymont, Canada
- *Shamans' Children* by Nikolai Pluzhnikov and Nikita Khokhlov, Russia
- *Henna's Leudd* by Heikki Huttu-Hiltunen, Finland
- *South from the North* by Andrei Sokolov, Russia

**Saturday, September 18, 2004**

➤ **PLENARY 4 & SUMMARY SESSION: 09:00-16:00**

09:00-10:45 **Plenary 4: Security**

**Venue:** Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building

**Chair:** Lassi Heininen, Chairman of the NRF Steering Committee; Senior Scientist, University of Lapland, Finland

**Panellists:**

- Olafur Ragnar Grimsson, President of Iceland
- Rob Huebert, Associate Director, The Centre for Military and Strategic Studies, University of Calgary, Canada
- General Leonid Grigoryevich Ivashov, Vice-President of the Academy of Political Problems, Department of International Cooperation, Russian Federation Ministry of Defence, Russia
- Ragnhild Nystad, Vice-President of the Saami Council of Norway, Norway

11:00-11:15 Coffee and refreshments

11:15-12:15 **Square Hour: Presentations by young researchers**

**Presenters:**

- James Ford, PhD Candidate, Department of Geography, University of Guelph, Canada
- Violaine Lafortune, PhD Candidate, University Laval; and Research Consultant, Rouyn-Noranda, QC, Canada
- Natalia Loukacheva, Post-doctoral Fellow, Munk Centre of International Studies, University of Toronto, Canada
- Scott Forrest, PhD Candidate, University of Lapland, and Researcher, Arctic Centre, Rovaniemi, Finland

12:15-13:00 **Closing discussions among panellists, young researchers and general participants**

13:00-14:15 Lunch on own

14:15-16:00 **Summary Session**

**Venue:** Great Hall, Legislative Assembly Building

The Summary Session includes oral reports by young researchers who have served as rapporteurs and a general discussion among participants about the outcomes of the meeting and the future of the NRF. All participants will be asked to respond in a questionnaire whereby they evaluate the outcomes of the 3rd NRF Open Meeting in writing.

16:00 **Closing Prayer**

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