

AFoPS Special Meeting (AFoPS-XXII)

Agenda

16 June 2018

Davos, Switzerland

Participants

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3	Takuji Nakamura	NIPR	Representative of Japan
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5	Azizan Abu Samah	NARC	Representative of Malaysia
6	Pairash THAJCHAYAPONG	PSCT	Representative of Thailand
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9	Satoshi Imura	NIPR	Coordinator of Japan
10	Rahul Mohan	NCAOR	Coordinator of India
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12	Voranop VIYAKARN	PSCT	Coordinator of Thailand
13	Chaerin JUNG	KOPRI	Researcher of Korea

Timetable

SATURDAY, 16 JULY 2018

13:30 - 14:00: Registration

14:00 - 15:30: Session 1 & 2

15:30 - 15:45: Group Photo and Coffee Break

15:45 - 17:00: Session 3

LOCATION

Room B Altein, House B, Congress Central, Davos

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- 3.1 Discussion on the AFoPS AGM 2018
- 3.2 Other Issues

AFoPS Business Meeting of AGM 2017 Draft Minutes

08 September 2017
Shanghai, People's Republic of China

1. Opening and Reporting

1.1 Chair's Welcome and Opening

The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the participants.

Dr. Huigen Yang, the Chair of AFoPS, welcomed the attendees to the 2017 Annual General Meeting. He also introduced Dr. Wei Luo to be Executive Secretary of AFoPS in the future. And he suggested that all member countries of AFoPS could increase their involvement in SCAR, IASC, COMNAP and FARO with an active figure.

For the first time, the AGM 2017 initiated the plenary lectures section and breakout session, which would deepen and broaden communications in all member countries. Dr. Wentao Huang, Dr. Peng Jiang and Dr. Satoshi Imura reported to the meeting as the conveners of breakout session. It was agreed by both the conveners and business participants that the plenary lectures and breakout sessions were informative and useful, which should be continued in the future.

1.2 Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda was adopted.

1.3 Approval of Minutes from the AGM 2016

The minutes from the AGM 2016 was gone through by Dr. Hyoung Chul Shin, approved by all participants.

Related Info: [WP01] Approval of Minutes from the AGM 2016

1.4 Approval of Minutes from the AFoPS Special Meeting 2017

In order to reveal the progress of the discussed questions at AFoPS Special Meeting 2017, Secretariat added action and action points for review. However, Dr. Shin from KOPRI claimed that only the work has been done should be recorded in the minutes, while the plans of further steps should not.

Related Info: [WP02] Approval of Minutes from the AFoPS Special Meeting 2017

1.5 Report of the Secretariat

Dr. Wei Luo, the Executive Secretary of the Secretariat, gave a report of the handover work, including the organization of the AFoPS Special Meeting (AFoPS-XX), submission of “ the report from Asian Forum of Polar Sciences to the ATCM XL”, transfer of the AFoPS website and preparation work of the Annual General Meeting this year.

How to solve the technical problems of AFoPS website, which resulted in the disqualification of the Secretariat in China of updating news or adding new information in the website was discussed in the meeting. Secretariat will ask help from Polar Information Center to solve the technique problem for successful maintenance and updating the website. KOPRI has agreed to support the Secretariat to get the government certification according to the Chinese internet regulation, since the server and domain name were registered by KOPRI originally. As the Secretariat Host Country, China would cover the expenses for the server operation if necessary.

In addition, **the meeting asked the Secretariat to prepare a circular every two months and a newsletter every four months.**

Action: 1) KOPRI technicians need to provide required documents to the current Secretariat.

2) The Secretariat should provide necessary documents to Chinese competent authorities for the website record-filing. And these issues need to be done as soon as possible.

3) The Secretariat should prepare a circular every two months and a newsletter every four months.

Related Info: [WP03] Secretariat Activity Report: From March 2017- September 2017

[IP01] Report from Asian Forum for Polar Sciences to the ATCM XL

2. Main Issues

2.1 Membership

As the new member country for AFoPS, Thailand named Dr. Pairash THAJCHAYAPONG, Chair person of PSCT to be the representative and designated Dr. Voranop VIYAKARN, Vice Chair of PSCT as the coordinator. AFoPS welcomed Thailand to become the new AFoPS member.

Dr. Kazuyuki Shiraishi noticed that AFoPS should set its procedures as well as ATCM in the future. In the past, the potential members were collected by the Secretariat and confirmed by the member countries.

This meeting decided that an intersessional discussion should be carried out on 'Observer Status and Procedures'.

Action: Dr. Shin will establish a working group which will work on the ‘Observer Status and Procedures’ and report the progress to the meeting next time. Further discussion will be continued at the next AFoPS special meeting on Davos, 2018.

Related Info: [IP02] Membership Invitation for Thailand

2.2 On Reporting of Members' Activities

2.2.1 DISCUSSION ON NATIONAL REPORT 2017

The Chair suggested to discuss the improvements and problems of the “National Report” Section, since this section has already accomplished on the first day. To set a template of future national reports might be an improvement.

2.2.2 THE SETTING OF TEMPLATE FOR FUTURE NATIONAL REPORTS

The meeting discussed to make improvements for national reports. A draft template was prepared by the Secretariat and discussed at the meeting. It was agreed that the template should be amended and circulated among the AFoPS community later on.

Action: Secretariat will amend the draft template for future national report.

Related Info: [WP04] Outline of National Report (Draft)

2.3 AFoPS Journal Publication

2.3.1 JOINT JOURNAL PUBLICATION STATUS UPDATE

14 manuscripts have been received by AFoPS Special Issues of the Current Science Journal, 3 of them were indicated as pending review. The participants hope the Special Issue would be finished by the end of this year, 2017. The AFoPs would present this Special Issue as an important achievement in POLAR 2018.

2.3.2 APS FOR THE FUTURE WORK OF JOINT JOURNAL PUBLICATION

Dr. Jing Huang/ Xiaoliang Ling from PRIC reported to meeting on behalf of APS for the future work of Joint Journal Publication.

The work of ‘AFoPS 2017’ publication would be carried out by APS. And Dr. Jing Huang also proposed the National representatives and the breakout session hosts to be future guest editors of the joint journal.

Action: Dr. Jing Huang will solicit contributions and confirm the total proposed MS numbers, authors, titles and abstracts by 15th October 2017, and complete by the end of August 2018. She will also contact coordinators from AFoPS member countries to confirm who will be invited to be guest editor.

Related Info: [WP05] Contributions to a Thematic Issue on ‘AFoPS 2017’

2.4 Information Form of Members’ Major Research Projects

A research project form was prepared by KOPRI to be an example, **it is decided to add one column on ‘flexible comment’ in the future form.** The purpose is to have a whole picture of Asian countries’ major research projects, in respect of quantities, qualities, and further co-operations. EIES is not the same as this one, because we work more specifically for cooperation.

Action: 1) Dr. Shin will draw a chart for next meeting.

2) This form needed to be circulated among member countries and posted on the AFoPS website.

Related Info: [WP06] Members’ Major Research Projects Information Form

2.5 A Proposal on Metadata Sharing Among AFoPS Countries

Dr. Lizong Wu and Mr. Jie Zhang from PRIC reported on a proposal of metadata sharing among AFoPS countries. The purpose of Metadata sharing is to strengthen the cooperation among Asian countries. Since Asia is a subject that producing huge data. Dr. Wu suggested that more work can be done on data sharing, and Metadata sharing is the best choice for

beginning. The Asian countries would collect the Metadata and obtain a say? if the data is submitted to SAON.

The meeting decided to hold an expert meeting or organize a workshop according to this proposal. It was strongly recommended that Dr. Wu should prepare a short information paper for circulation among the AFoPS community, so that the national coordinators could circulate it to encourage their data analysts to the expert meeting or workshop.

Action: Dr. Lizong Wu will organize an international workshop to invite analysts from AFoPS member countries. He will prepare a short information paper to encourage data analysts from different member countries to move forward.

Related Info: [WP07] A Proposal on Metadata Sharing Among AFoPS Countries

2.6 New Development with International Organizations

The meeting exchanged information and intention of contribution of each country on the elections of SCAR, IASC, COMNAP and FARO. The Chair suggested that all representatives and coordinators of member countries should be together to exchange information before Davos special meeting 2018.

Action: The Secretariat would keep exchanging informations, circularing mails and initiate more discussions in all member countries.

2.7 Encouragement of Asian Early Career Polar Scientists

Young scientists should be encouraged to apply SCAR and IASC Fellowship project, in order to improve the currently low approval rating of Asia than other areas. There were only four COMNAP Fellowship applicants from Asia this year. Dr. Yea Dong Kim from KOPRI agreed with this idea, who is awarded as a SCAR visiting professor and will visit Turkey for six months soon.

Dr. Chaerin Jung gave a presentation on the progress of KOPRI Fellowship programme, and extended the warm welcome to Asian young scientists.

Action: 1) Dr. Azizan Abu Smah would write to SCAR to apply a SSG webinar.

2) The Secretariat shall collect and circulate the informations of fellowship projects of SCAR, IASC and other relevant organizations.

2.8 Honorable members of AFoPS

Prof. Dr. Shirashi from NIPR is designated as Honorary Member, who has become the second Honorary Member. The meeting invited Dr. Kim and Dr. Shirashi, as the honorary members of AFoPS, to attend future AFoPS meetings. It was agreed by all participants that AFoPS should continue the system of honorary membership acceptance.

3. FUTURE EVENTS AND OTHER ISSUES

3.1 Discussion on the AFoPS Special Meeting 2018 in Davos

The meeting discussed the AFoPS Special Meeting which would be held in Davos in 2018.

It was agreed that the Secretariat determine the exact date, time and venue for the special meeting by contacting the Secretariat of POLAR 2018. The Secretariat should start to register for AFoPS soon.

Action: Secretariat would settle down the mentioned work before 1st October 2017.

3.2 Outline of the AFoPS Presentation to POLAR 2018

The meeting discussed the AFoPS Report on FARO meeting, and the past interaction/connection with COMNAP and SCAR. It was mentioned that AFoPS had a report at COMNAP meeting a year ago. While at the 2016 SCAR meeting, AFoPS had an exhibition. All agreed that the secretariat should prepare an AFoPS poster and brochure, and prepare a PPT for relevant meetings.

Action: 1) The Secretariat should prepare an AFoPS poster and brochure, and prepare a PPT for attendance at relevant meetings.

2) The Secretariat shall check the possibility to give a presentation or exhibition on future SCAR, IASC, COMNAP and FARO meetings.

3.3 Other Issues

Dr. Kentaro Watanabe reported to the meeting that the ISAR -5 meeting (January 15-18, 2018, Tokyo, Japan) call for abstracts, and the deadline of submission extended to Sept. 15, 2017. The meeting encouraged more experts to participate in the ISAR-5 meeting. Besides, the Early Bird registration ends on November 15th , 2017.

Secretariat Activity Report: From AGM 2017 up to Present Time

The handover work of the Secretariat started from November 2016 to March 2017, the Annual General Meeting of AFoPS 2017 was held on September 2017. From September 2017 to June 2018, the main activities conducted by the secretariat are listed as below:

1. The AFoPS AGM 2017 (AFoPS-XXI)

The AFoPS AGM 2017 (AFoPS-XXI) was held on 7th - 8th September 2017 in Shanghai, China. On this meeting, Thailand has been formally accepted as member country. Thus, the member countries of AFoPS has been 6 countries, Meanwhile, the two main parts of AGM - the Symposium and the Business meeting have achieved great success, the innovation of holding Symposium on AGM of AFoPS was accepted.

2. Completing the Maintenance Work of AFoPS Official Website

Thanks to the continuous efforts of the action officers from KOPRI and PRIC, the AFoPS official website along with databases has been transferred successfully to PRIC. The website is now officially in ordinary operation under the Secretariat, we have revised the information of member countries, updated photos, meeting papers and news. More information can be found on: www.afops.org.

3. Cooperation among AFoPS countries

KOPRI has adopted some outstanding scientists among AFoPS member countries and observer countries to participate in the 2018 Arctic Science Fellowship Program (KOPRI). NIPR has convened scientists from AFoPS countries to their winter training course for candidates of the 60th Japanese Antarctic Research Expedition (JARE-60). Scientists from Malaysia have been invited to visit PRIC and held a workshop on microbial biodiversity. Two scientists from Thailand were invited to join the 34th CHINARE, and have carried out their scientific projects in the Great Wall Station successfully.

4. Joint Journal Publication Status Update

Since all the member countries agreed that the journal *Advances in Polar Science* hosted by PRIC was going to publish the fourth joint issue for AFoPS by October 2018 during the last AFoPS meeting held in Shanghai, two scientists from India and one from New Zealand have submitted papers to us. Meanwhile, two scientists from Japan and China respectively have contacted Dr. Huang to express their intention to contribute. Although we have received several papers and the others will be coming, **we still need more manuscripts for this issue.** Therefore we have extended **the deadline of the submission to 15 July 2018** and it would be published at the end of this year.

5. The Annual General Meeting 2018

The Annual General Meeting 2018 has been initially planned in October 2018. The preparatory work started in June 2018, including meeting planning, releasing circulars, integrating information of participants, reports and issues, drafting agenda and venue layout.

**Proposal for a modification of the AFoPS Terms of Reference
to address procedures of membership and observer accreditation**

Submitted by
The Republic of Korea

The development AFoPS achieved over the years is reflected in its scope of activity, and also in its membership. As a need for agreed procedures of AFoPS membership and observer accreditation arises, the Members brought this matter for discussion and clarification.

As per the Working Paper 8 titled “ Draft Procedures of Membership and Observer Accreditation ” , agreed and adopted by the Members during the annual general meeting (AGM) 2016, Korea would like to suggest the following clauses to be added to the AFoPS Terms of Reference (ToR):

5.8.1. (AFoPS Membership) Asian countries engaged in significant research in the polar regions may apply for membership in the AFoPS by submitting an application to the Secretariat. Applications will be circulated among the Members prior to the meetings in which a decision will be made.

5.8.2. (Honorary Membership) Individuals who have shown outstanding contribution to the AFoPS may be nominated by the Members as Honorary Members. Honorary Members shall have the right to participate in all discussions, but not in decision-making.

5.8.3. (Accredited Observer) By invitation of at least one incumbent AFoPS Member, observing participants, represented by the head of the institution or program, may submit their intent in writing to the Secretariat, in order to be considered and accredited by the Members.

Draft Procedures of Membership and Observer Accreditation (2016)

Submitted by
AFoPS Secretariat (2016)

As the Members agreed to the Working Paper 7 titled “ Suggestions on Membership Invitation and Observer Accreditation with a Proposal ” during the annual general meeting (AGM) 2015, the following procedure is prepared for final adoption.

1. Membership of AFoPS

- 1.1. Asian countries engaged in significant research in the polar regions may apply for membership in the AFoPS by submitting an application to the Secretariat prior to the annual general meetings.
- 1.2. The application will include a statement of the national polar program’ s intent to apply for membership in the AFoPS and of agreement with the Terms of Reference and associated documents of AFoPS.
- 1.3. The application will also include the national polar program’ s willingness to host and arrange an Annual General Meeting when it is due.
- 1.4. The application for membership will be submitted by the recognized polar program of the applying country, or by some other means if a country has no national member of the above mentioned organizations, in which case advice should be sought from the Secretariat.
- 1.5. Applications will be circulated among the Members prior to the meetings to be accepted by consensus.

2. Honorary Membership

- 2.1. Individuals who have given outstanding service to the AFoPS may be nominated by the Members to an annual general meeting for endorsement as Honorary Members.
- 2.2. Honorary Members shall have the right to attend all meetings of AFoPS and to participate in all discussions, but not in decision-making.

3. Accredited Observer

- 3.1. Accredited observer status of the AFoPS may be granted by the Members by invitation of at least one incumbent Member.
- 3.2. Observing participants will submit their intent in writing to the Secretariat, in order to be considered and accredited by the Members.
- 3.3. An expression of interest to become an accredited observer should come from the head of the institution/program or someone with full responsibility to represent the institution. A letter from a figure of comparable standing might be considered.
- 3.4. At the discretion of the Chair, accredited observers may be allowed to the Members only sessions.

Outline of National Report (Draft)

1. Outline

2. General Introduction

3. Recent Developments

- 3.1 Research Expedition
- 3.2 Technology Innovation
- 3.3 Logistics and Infrastructure
- 3.4 Environmental Management
- 3.5 International Cooperation

4. Future Plan and Other Issues

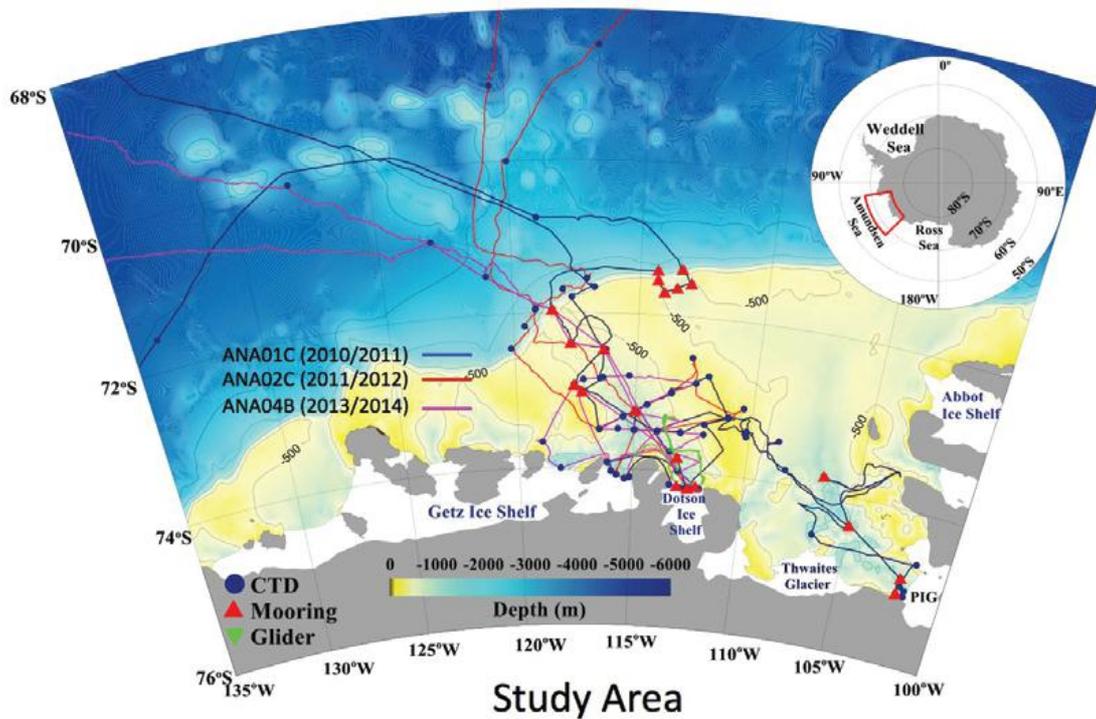
5. Concluding Remarks

Members' Major Research Projects Information Form

Project 1 of 5

Project Title		
Ocean-to-Ice Interactions in Amundsen Sea: Ice shelf melting and its impact on ocean processes		
Contact Point (Principal Investigator)		
Name	Affiliation	Contact Info
SangHoon Lee	KOPRI	E-mail: shlee@kopri.re.kr Phone: +82-32-760-5331
Collaborator(s)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ BAS (UK) ◆ Univ. of Gothenburg (Sweden) ... 		
Project Objectives		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ To estimate the contemporary short-term trend of the ice shelf retreat and freshwater discharge from direct field observations of Amundsen ice mass ◆ To evaluate the imminent (<10 yrs) impacts on the local ocean processes (circulation, ecosystem, biogeochemical cycle) from the ice shelf retreat, and to project the propagation (<50 yrs) of the changes to the global oceans 		
Expected Contribution		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Enhanced scientific understanding of the issues of glacier melting and environmental changes from a local as well as a global perspective based on short-term simulation with real-time field measurements rather than long-term modelling based on satellite data 		
Research Rationale and Methods		
(if applicable)		
Keywords		
Western Antarctic warming, Ice shelf retreat, Ocean circulation, Global climate change, Southern Ocean Ecosystem, Biogeochemical Cycle		
Field Research Plan		
<p>A research voyage in the Amundsen Sea utilizing IBRV Araon is scheduled for the Antarctic 2017-2018 season (35 days, December 2017 – February 2018).</p> <p>This expedition will include direct observations of the following: ice shelf retreat (thermohaline circulation and ice shelf retreat); biogeochemical cycle and ecosystem (comparison between melt water area and controlled area); and measurement of melt water components, density, input, and</p>		

diffusion/mixture patterns.



Map of stations and ship tracks for 3 expeditions (Oceanographic observations and water samplings are represented by blue circles, long-term moorings are red triangles, Glider paths are in light blue.

Project Deliverables

- ◆ Ice Shelf Retreat ...
- ◆ Meltwater Discharge ...
- ◆ Biogeochemical Cycle & Ecosystem ...

Timetable (1 January 2017 – 31 December 2019)

- ◆ 1st Year (2017)
 - existing physical data analysis...
 - existing data analysis ...
 - chemical data analysis of melt water ...
- ◆ 2nd Year (2018)
 - Field expedition including direct observations of the following:
 - ice shelf retreat ...
 - biogeochemical cycle and ecosystem ...
 - measurement of melt water components, density, input, and diffusion/mixture patterns ...

◆ 3rd Year (2019)

- Data on the process and speed of ice shelf retreat ...
- Record of changes of the biogeochemical cycle and ecosystem ...
- Identification of chemical contents...

Source(s) of Funding

- ◆ In-House Research Project of KOPRI

IASC Fellowship Program

The IASC Fellowship Program is meant to engage ECS in the work of the IASC Working Groups (WGs): Atmosphere, Cryosphere, Marine, Social & Human, and Terrestrial. Each year, one Fellow per WG is chosen. IASC Fellows are doctoral or postdoctoral researchers who actively participate in selected activities of the IASC WGs. Fellows are expected to contribute scientifically but also to help organize specific activities and to coordinate the reporting to the IASC Secretariat. Thus, the Fellowship Program provides the opportunity for ECSs to become involved in leading-edge scientific activities at a circumpolar and international level, to build an international network, and also to develop management skills. The level of involvement very much depends on the Fellow's interest - the more you invest, the more you get out of it!

The total duration of the IASC Fellowship Program is 1+2 years. In their first year, selected Fellows will receive travel support to attend two consecutive Arctic Science Summit Weeks (ASSWs) where the annual WG meetings are held. After the first year, Fellows have the opportunity to stay involved for up to 2 more years without dedicated funding support from IASC. Note: The travel support during the first fellowship year is the only financial remuneration for the Fellows. Salary is not included during the fellowship.

Applications for 2019 will open in fall 2018.

Selection Process

The IASC Fellow selection process is managed by the IASC coordinator and conducted in close cooperation with the Association of Polar Early Career Scientists (APECS) as well as the WG Steering Groups. A call for applications is released each year in October through the IASC and APECS mailing lists, websites and Facebook. Any doctoral or postdoctoral researcher from an IASC member country can apply. Required qualifications include demonstrated scientific interest and skills within a field that is relevant to the respective one or more WGs priorities and a good command of the English language. The IASC Fellowship review process is coordinated with the APECS Executive Committee. Once the top three candidates for each WG are identified, WG Steering Groups will be consulted with the intention of determining the final selected Fellow.

IASC Support

Each year IASC will select one new ECS Fellow per WG (up to five in total). In their first year, selected Fellows will be financially supported (travel/accommodation/meal reimbursement), and that support includes attendance of two consecutive Arctic Science Summit Weeks (ASSWs) when annual WG meetings are held. IASC Fellows receive travel support to attend two ASSWs, so that in each WG meeting there is one incoming, and at least one outgoing, Fellow.



SCAR Fellowship Program

The SCAR Fellowship Program was initiated in 2002. Due to the contributions from SCAR Members, from other sources of revenue and from prize of Prince Albert II of Monaco Foundation, the SCAR Fellowship Scheme has been developed significantly.

The winners of the Fellowships will carry out a range of scientific research in areas including marine biology, climatology, remote sensing and understanding terrestrial ecosystem complexity. Candidates come from a wide geographic spread of more than 30 countries, including Argentina, Belgium, China, New Zealand, Russia, Spain, Venezuela and USA.

Eligibility

1. Current PhD researcher or within 5 years of finishing PhD;
2. Visiting a facility in or run by a SCAR member country (<https://www.scar.org/about-us/members/detailed-information/>), which is different from applicant's (a) country of origin and (b) current country of residence;
3. Should contribute to the objectives of one or more of SCAR's science groups (<https://www.scar.org/science/research-overview/>), including the Humanities and Social Sciences groups, and/or the Scientific Research Programmes.

Award: 3 to 4 awards for 2018; up to USD \$15,000 per award; Home institute to bear in-home country costs (e.g. visa costs, domestic travel); Host institute to waive bench fees, if any.

Application package contents: Research Proposal (with relevant appendices); Home Institute Reference; Host Institute Agreement.

Last Date: 11 July 2018

Submission via: Online form (<https://www.scar.org/awards/fellowships/application/>)

Any doubts/queries, contact: SCAR Secretariat (info@scar.org)

COMNAP Fellowships 2018

Eligibility:

1. Any “early-career” person, where here, “early-career” person is defined as someone who is within the first five years after completion of the highest level of university award/certificate/degree obtained; or any person, regardless of university completion, that is under the age of 40 years old on the day of the last date for the application submission. So, as examples:
 - Those who have a doctorate, with not more than 5 years since your doctoral award.
 - Those who hold a master’s degree, with not more than 5 years since your master’s degree was awarded to you.
 - Those who hold an undergraduate degree, with not more than 5 years since your bachelor’s degree or baccalaureate was awarded to you.
 - Those under the age of 40 on the closing date for applications.
2. Applications are welcome from a range of disciplines and fields, including but not limited to, those with Engineering, Environmental Management, Data Management, Technology, Social Sciences, Humanities, Education, Communication and Outreach, Law, Operations and Logistics, Search and Rescue, Medical and Science backgrounds.
3. Those wishing to visit a facility in or run by a COMNAP Member (<https://www.comnap.aq/members/SitePages/Home.aspx>) or Observer country, which is different from applicant’s (a) country of citizenship (which should be a COMNAP Member or Observer country) and (b) country of current residence.
4. Applications must be for one of the COMNAP projects as indicated in the 2018 list of projects (<https://www.scar.org/library/capacity-building/fellowships-2/fellowship-packs/fellowship-pack-2018/5009-comnap-fellowship-list-of-projects-2018/>); or, if the proposed project is not on list, the proposed project must fit within COMNAP’s goals and purpose and should contribute to one or more objectives of the home or host National Antarctic Programme.

Award: 1 award for 2018; up to USD \$15,000 funding; Home institute or applicant to bear in-home country costs (e.g. travel visa application, salary/wages, domestic travel); Host institute to waive any fees that relate to lab/office space, field expenses, library or archive access, if any, or other as agreed in advance with host institute.

Application package contents: Proposal (with relevant appendices); Home Institute Reference; Host Institute Agreement.

Last Date: 11 July 2018

Submission via: Online form (<https://www.comnap.aq/SitePages/fellowships.aspx>)

Any doubts/queries, contact: COMNAP Secretariat (sec@comnap.aq)

CCAMLR Scientific Scholarships 2018

Eligibility:

Current PhD researcher (or within 5 years of finishing PhD) from a CCAMLR Member;

Attending CCAMLR Scientific Committee workshops or working group meetings and relevant preparatory meetings;

Should make scientific contribution to the work of CCAMLR and relate to the current priorities of the Scientific Committee.

Award: 1 to 3 awards for 2017; up to AUD \$30,000 per award; Home institute to fund the work of the scientist during the proposed period of tenure of the scholarship; Senior scientist with experience of CCAMLR agrees role of Mentor.

Application package contents: See the Scholarships section of the CCAMLR website (<https://www.ccamlr.org/en/science/ccamlr-scientific-scholarship-scheme>) for full details of the scheme and how to apply.

Last Date: 1 October 2018

Submission via:

Email to CCAMLR Scientific Scholarships (science_scholarship@ccamlr.org)

Any doubts/queries, contact:

CCAMLR Scientific Scholarships (science_scholarship@ccamlr.org)

Introduction of China Symposium on Polar Science (CSPS)

In order to fully condensation the polar research force, discuss the cooperation of major scientific and technological projects and promote academic exchanges and cooperation at home and abroad among China, PRIC hold China Symposium on Polar Science (CSPS) every year. CSPS will invite experts and scholars in Polar Science every year. The conference consists of plenary lecture for half day and breakout sessions for one day and a half. Last year, there were more than 400 experts and scholars attended CSPS, plenty of academics participated in 12 breakout sessions of the symposium.

This year, we suggest to combine AFoPS AGM and CSPS together on October 2018. We encourage that all participants among this meeting will communicate deeply with each other, work together to plan for the important developments, and make a significant contribution to the scientific recognition, the scientific utilization and protection of the Polar Regions. We are looking forward to each country's passionate involvements to AFoPS as before, and also with the hope to see more collaborations among Asian countries.

AFoPS Annual General Meeting (AFoPS-XXIII) and AFoPS Symposium 2018 Draft Agenda

10-12 October 2018

Xiamen, China

Timetable

AFoPS AGM, WEDNESDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2018

All day Registration

AFoPS AGM, THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2018

08:30 - 12:00 Plenary Lecture
12:00 - 14:00 Lunch Break
14:40 - 17:00 National Report of AFoPS
17:30 AFoPS Dinner

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08:30 - 10:00 Breakout Sessions
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