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SCOTLAND AND THE NEW NORTH

AN ARCTIC CIRCLE FORUM
IN COOPERATION WITH THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT

ASSEMBLY ROOMS, EDINBURGH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

15:00 – 19:00 REGISTRATION

Location: Assembly Rooms, Edinburgh

18:00 – 19:30 WELCOME RECEPTION

Location: Assembly Rooms, Edinburgh

- Dr Alasdair Allan MSP, Minister for International Development and Europe
- Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle, former President of Iceland

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

08:00 – REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

09:00 – 10:30 OPENING SPEECHES

- The Rt Hon. Nicola Sturgeon MSP, First Minister of Scotland
- Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle, former President of Iceland
- Gudlaugur Thór Thórdarson, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iceland
- Poul Michelsen, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Faroe Islands
- Karl Kristian Olsen, Head of Department, Ministry for Education, Culture, Research and Church, Government of Greenland
- VIDEO MESSAGE: Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission

Moderator: Mark Stephen, Presenter, BBC Radio Scotland

10:30 BREAK

11:00 – 11:30 CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE ARCTIC

- Roseanna Cunningham MSP, Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform
- The Rt Hon. Lord Deben, Chairman, The Committee on Climate Change UK

11:30 – 12:30 BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES: PLANNING AND TRANSPORT

- John McNairney, Chief Planner, Scottish Government
- Erik Ostergaard, CEO, Danish Transport and Logistics
- Stuart West, Orkney Islands Council
- Cathy Johnston, Glasgow City Council
- Domagoj Baresic, University College London, Energy Institute- Doctoral Researcher, Polar Research and Policy Initiative- Fellow, Shipping Unit

Chair: Cliff Hague OBE, Professor Emeritus of Planning and Spatial Development at Heriot-Watt University

12:30 – 13:30 LUNCH

13:30 – 14:15 NORTHERN CARGO TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS

- Gylfi Sigfússon, CEO, Eimskip
- Hafsteinn Helgason, Director – Business Development, EFLA Consulting Engineers
- Dr. Lars Stemmler, Head of International Projects, bremenports

Moderator: Mark Stephen, Presenter, BBC Radio Scotland

14:15 – 15:45 ARCTIC SEAS – ENVIRONMENT, FISHERIES AND MONITORING

- Henry Burgess, Director, NERC Arctic Programme
- Professor Mark Inall, Director, SAGES
- Dr. Charlotte Mogensen, Deputy Secretary at the OSPAR and BONN Secretariat
- Dr. Gudmundur J. Óskarsson, Marine Research Institute, Iceland
- Professor Maribeth S. Murray, Ph.D., Executive Director, Arctic Institute of North America, Dept. of Anthropology and Archaeology, University of Calgary

Chair: Professor Colin Moffat, Head of Science, Marine Scotland, Scotland

15:45 – 16:00 BREAK

16:00 – 17:30 ENERGY INNOVATION AND LOCAL ENERGY SOLUTIONS

SCOTLAND AS A ‘LIVING LABORATORY’

- Ute Collier, Senior Programme Leader, Renewable Heat and Renewable Energy Policies, International Energy Agency
- Neil Kermodé, Managing Director, European Marine Energy Centre (EMEC)
- Enrique Troncoso, CEO/Founder, Systeng Consulting
- Robert Sauvé, CEO, Société du Plan Nord, Quebec

Chair: Andy Kerr, Executive Director, Edinburgh Centre for Carbon Innovation (ECCI) University of Edinburgh

18:00 – 20:00 RECEPTION

Hosted by Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, Fiona Hyslop MSP and Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle, former President of Iceland

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

09:00 – 09:45 COOPERATION IN THE NEW NORTH

SCOTTISH PERSPECTIVE

- Alasdair Allan MSP, Minister for International Development and Europe

ARCTIC COUNCIL PERSPECTIVE

- Samuli Virtanen, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Finland

WEST NORDIC PERSPECTIVE

- Höskuldur Thorhallsson, former MP, Iceland; Chairman of the Nordic Council of Ministers' West Nordic Development Working Group

Moderator: Mark Stephen, Presenter, BBC Radio Scotland

09:45 – 11:15 MULTI-SECTORAL BLUE GROWTH THROUGH MARINE AND COASTAL TOURISM

MULTI-SECTORAL BLUE GROWTH

- Giancarlo Fedeli, Cool Routes Project Leader, Glasgow Caledonian University
- Dr Raeanne Miller, Knowledge Exchange and Communications Manager, Scottish Association for Marine Science (SAMS)
- Jean-Pierre Joubert, Shore Excursions Director, MSC Cruises

SHARING LESSONS IN SUSTAINABLE TOURISM GROWTH

- Grímur Sæmundsen, CEO, Blue Lagoon, Chairman of Icelandic Travel Industry Association
- Gísli Hauksson, CEO, Gamma
- Malcolm Roughead, Chief Executive, VisitScotland
- Jean-Pierre Joubert, Shore Excursions Director, MSC Cruises

Chair: David Adams McGilp, VisitScotland

11:15 – 11:45 BREAK

11:45 – 12:45 THE NORTH AS A GLOBAL AVIATION HUB

- Helgi Már Björgvinsson, Director, Special Projects & Strategic Initiatives, Icelandair Group
- Jóhanna á Bergi, CEO, Atlantic Airways, Faroe Islands
- Björn Óli Haukson, CEO, Isavia
- Alastair Muir, Director Prestwick, NATS

Moderator: Mark Stephen, Presenter, BBC Radio Scotland

12:45 – 13:45 LUNCH

13:45 – 15:15 DESIGN -INNOVATION -DIGITALLY CONNECTED COMMUNITIES

- Graham Hogg, Director, Lateral North
- Kirsten Anderson, Deputy Director and Chief Curator, Anchorage Museum, Alaska
- Derek Graham, Scottish Futures Trust
- Matt Stevenson, Carbon Dynamics
- Lucy Fraser, Albyn Housing Association

Chair: Ian Gilzean, Chief Architect, Scottish Government

15:15 – 15:45 BREAK

15:45 – 17:00 YOUNG PEOPLE IN REMOTE COMMUNITIES

- Kelvin Murray, EYOS Expeditions
- Diana Mastracci, PhD student, Environmental Change Institute, Oxford
- Brian Fuchs, CTO and CoFounder of The Mobile Collective
- Catriona Malloys, 2050 Climate Group
- Ole-Anders Turi, Reindeer Herder/Project Co-ordinator, International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry
- Tukumminguaq Nykjær Olsen, MA Student in West Nordic Studies - Governance and Sustainability Management, University of Greenland

Moderator: Mark Stephen, Presenter, BBC Radio Scotland

16:00 – 17:30 CONCLUDING DIALOGUE

- Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, Fiona Hyslop MSP
- Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman Arctic Circle

Moderator: Mark Stephen, Presenter, BBC Radio Scotland

SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT RECEPTION 18:00 – 20:00
