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Who's Who in the Arctic

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This guide was originally developed by the NSG team for internal purposes to help inform us of the dynamic nature of the Arctic, figuratively speaking (e.g., the changes triggered by chair rotations of the Arctic Council). We appreciate your feedback and updates; please send your comments to arctic@northstargrp.com.

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ARCTIC COUNTRIES

Canada

Summary: Canada's Arctic Strategy addresses its vision for the North and specifies its policy priority areas: 1) sovereignty, 2) economic and social development, 3) environmental protection, 4) regional governance.

Arctic Strategy – First Northern Strategy adopted in 2009

- Canada's Arctic and Northern Policy (2019): <https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1562782976772/1562783551358>
- Statement on Canada's Arctic Foreign Policy (2010): https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/assets/pdfs/canada_arctic_foreign_policy-eng.pdf
- United States-Canada Joint Arctic Leaders' Statement (2016): <https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2016/12/20/united-states-canada-joint-arctic-leaders-statement>

Arctic Council

- Chairmanships (1996-1998, 2013-2015, 2029-2031)
- Permanent Participant - ICC Canada: <https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/icc-canada/>

Organizations

Governmental Organizations

- Canadian Ice Service: <https://www.canada.ca/en/environment-climate-change/services/ice-forecasts-observations/latest-conditions.html>
 - A division of the Meteorological Service of Canada; the leading authority for ice and iceberg information in Canada's navigable waters.
- Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency: <https://www.northernstrategy.gc.ca/eng/1351104567432/1351104589057>
 - Goal: build diversified and dynamic economies across the Nunavut, NWT, and Yukon territories
 - The Honorable Mélanie Joly, Minister
- Science Organizations and Think Tanks
- Aurora Research Institute – Aurora College: <https://nwtresearch.com/>
 - Serve NWT residents; Apply scientific, technological and indigenous knowledge to solve northern problems.
- Canadian Energy Research Institute (CERI): <https://ceri.ca>
- Contact research regarding economic and environmental issues in the energy production, transportation, and consumption sectors.

Industry

- Mining Association of British Columbia: <https://mining.bc.ca/>
 - The voice of mining in British Columbia.
- Research
- Arctic360: <https://www.arctic360.org>
- Arctic360 a program that works with government bodies (from federal to local), the private sector, Indigenous development corporations and governments, expert Arctic leaders, our partners, and other stakeholders to help educate, inspire, and attract human and economic capital into the North American Arctic.

- Arctic Research Institute of North America (AINA): <https://arctic.ucalgary.ca/>
 - Created in 1945 and became part of the University of Calgary since 1976; Canada's first and longest-lived Arctic research institute.
- List of UArctic member universities and research centers: <https://www.uarctic.org/member-profiles/canada/>
- Nunavut Research Institute: <https://www.nri.nu.ca/nunavut-research-institute-nri>
 - Gateway to scientific research in Nunavut.
- Polar Knowledge Canada: <https://www.canada.ca/en/polar-knowledge.html>
 - Conductors of Arctic Research.

Denmark (including Greenland and the Faroe Islands)

Summary: The Kingdom of Denmark Strategy for the Arctic 2011-2020 emphasizes four priority areas: 1) security, safety, and sovereignty, 2) sustainable development of new economic opportunities, 3) climate changes, 4) international cooperation.

Arctic Strategy

- Denmark's Arctic Strategy 2011-2020: https://naalakkersuisut.gl/~media/Nanog/Images/Udenrigsdirektoratet/100295_Arktis_Rapport_UK_210x270_Final_Web.pdf
- The Faroe Islands Strategic Assessment: <https://lms.cdn.fo/media/10243/f%C3%B8royar-eitt-land-%C3%AD-arktis-uk-web.pdf?s=jggeB2qre-4xB5sMlrqjQdbTrg>
- Act on Greenland Self-Government (2009): <https://naalakkersuisut.gl/~media/Nanog/Files/Attached%20Files/Engelske-tekster/Act%20on%20Greenland.pdf>

Arctic Council

- Chairmanships (2009-2011, 2025-2027)
- Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (EPPR) Working Group Chairmanship: Kingdom of Denmark
- Permanent Participant – ICC Greenland: <https://inuit.org/en/>

Organizations

Research

- Arctic Research Center (ARC)- Aarhus University: <https://arctic.au.dk/>
- Working both nationally and internationally, ARC focus on the melting cryosphere, its feedback on the climate system and effects on ecosystems and societies.
- Greenland Institute of Natural Resources: <https://natur.gl/?lang=en>
 - Conducts research into Arctic ecosystems.
- List of UArctic member universities and research centers: <https://www.uarctic.org/member-profiles/denmark/> (Denmark); <https://www.uarctic.org/member-profiles/faroe-islands/> (Faroe Islands); <https://www.uarctic.org/member-profiles/greenland/> (Greenland)
- The Polar Secretariat (Denmark, Arctic science): <https://ufm.dk/en/research-and-innovation/international-cooperation/the-polar-secretariat>
- The Polar Secretariat works to strengthen the focus on Denmark as a leading nation in Arctic science and higher education.

News

North Star Group (NSG) navigates complex social challenges related to resource development and community self-governance across Alaska, the Arctic, and beyond. Through respectful, mutually supportive relationships founded upon collaboration, NSG's global network of professionals guides business, government, and organizations toward socially responsible and economically sustainable goals.

Building upon information sources developed by other entities such as the Arctic Council, the Arctic Institute, and the EU Arctic Information Center, this document goes beyond the regional scope and includes up-to-date and detailed information for a broader group of participants in Arctic issues and policies.

Though not providing an overview of all organizations involved with Arctic policy, industry and environment, this document covers a broad range of participants including governmental organizations, science organizations, think tanks and research organizations.

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