

# **NOW Symposium**

# Programme

8 - 10 May 2017



# **Monday 8 May**

13.00

Kirsten Hastrup, Welcome to the Royal Academy and Presentation of the Programme

13.15 -14.45

# The North Water in History: From 19th Century Exploration to 21st Century Science

Kirsten Hastrup, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen

Presentation: "Discovering the North Water and Meeting New People"

Sverker Sörlin, Kungliga Tekniska Högskolan, Stockholm

Presentation: "The Making of the 'Arctic' through Scientific Practices"

Anders Mosbech, Tom Christensen, Department of Bioscience, University of Aarhus, and Mads Peter Heide-Jørgensen, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources.

Presentation: "The Ecological Significance of the North Water in Contemporary International Perspective"

14.45-15.30

Coffee break

15.30-17.00

# The North Water in Geological, Palaeo-Ecological, and Archaeological 'Archives'

Steffen M. Olsen, Danish Meteorological Institute

Presentation: "Oceanography of the High-Arctic Inglefield Fjord NW Greenland: Towards a Participatory Ocean Climate Monitoring Program"

Sofia Ribeiro and Naja Mikkelsen, Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland.

Presentation: "Sea Ice and Primary Productivity Changes in the Inglefield Bredning – NOW Region During the Past 4000 Years Based on Multiproxy Analyses of Marine Sediment Records"

Thomas Davidson, Department of Bioscience, University of Aarhus

Presentation: "Greening the High Arctic: When and How Have Sea-Birds Transformed Fresh Waters of the North Water Polynya"

17.00-19.30

The National Museum (Exhibit and buffet)

# Tuesday, 9 May

9.00-10.30

# Living Resources in Biological and Glaciological Perspective: Key Species in the Polynya

Kasper L. Johansen and Anders Mosbech, Dept. of Bioscience, University of Aarhus. Presentation: "The Little Auk as Ecosystem Engineer"

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Eva Garde, Greenlandic Institute of Natural Resources

Presentation: "The Walrus in Smith Sound"

Anne Birgitte Gotfredsen, The Natural History Museum of University of Copenhagen.

Presentation: "Subsistence and Processing of Animal Resources at Nuulliit"

10.30-10.45

Coffee

10.45-12.15

# Living Resources in a Human Perspective: The Volatility of the Hunt

Mark Nuttall, Ilisimatusarfik, Nuuk, and Department of Anthropology, University of Alberta

Presentation: "Hunting, Animals, Ice, and Seismic Lines: Encounters with the More than Human in Melville Bay"

Martin Appelt, The National Museum of Denmark

Presentation: "Animal Presence and Human Identity in Prehistoric Artefacts and Dresses from the Avanersuaq Region"

Janne Flora, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen

Presentation: "Making a Proper Meal in Avanersuaq: Mixing Social Relations, Landscape, and Memory"

12.15-13.00

Lunch

13.00-14.30

# Patterns of Human Settlement and Mobility in the Long-Term

Geneviève LeMoine, Peary-Macmillan Arctic Museum, Bowdoin College (with John Darwent, Christyann Darwent, and Hans Lange)

Presentation: "Living in Inglefield Land: 4500 Years of Settlement Strategies at the Northern Limit of the North Water"

Asta Mønsted, Martin Appelt, Bjarne Grønnow, The National Museum of Denmark.

Presentation: "Pioneering Inuit at the North Water: The Flow of Resources through the Early Thule Site, Nuulliit"

Bjarne Grønnow, Martin Appelt, Asta Mønsted, Anne Birgitte Gotfredsen, Jens Fog Jensen

Presentation: "Long Term Dynamics of Inuit Settlement and Subsistence around The North Water"

14.30-15.00

Coffee

15.00-16.30

# The Thule Settlement: From Regional Centre to Forbidden Land

Mikkel Myrup, The National Museum of Greenland, and Bjarne Grønnow, The National Museum of Denmark.

Presentation: "Historical Focal Sites in the Present: Archaeological and Topographical Documentation of Uummannaq and Inersussat"

Kristian Hvidtfeldt Nielsen, Centre for Science Studies, University of Aarhus.

Presentation: "Militarization of Northern Greenland: Cold War Science and Technology at Thule"

Kirsten Hastrup, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen

Presentation: "Foreign Invasions: Life in a Ruined Landscape"

16.30-18.00

# Refreshments and Piniariarneq-film on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

19.00

# **Conference dinner**

Restaurant Viva, Langebrogade Kaj 570, 1411 København K

#### Wednesday, 10 May

9.00-10.30

# Collaborative Experiments of Mapping

Erik W. Born, The Greenland Institute of Natural Resources.

Presentation: "Polar Bears: Both Sides NOW"

Claudio Aporta, Department of Anthropology, Dalhousie University, Halifax.

Presentation: "From Knowledge to Data: Challenges and Opportunities for Integrating Inuit Perspectives in Marine Spatial Planning"

Astrid O. Andersen, Janne Flora, Department of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen, and Kasper L. Johansen, Department of Bioscience, University of Aarhus.

Presentation: "Piniariarneq: GPS-Tracking of Hunting Practices around the North Water"

10.30-10.45: Coffee

10.45-12.15

# Emerging Challenges: The Oasis at Peril?

Rune Dietz, Department of Bioscience, University of Aarhus

Presentation: "The Contamination of the North Water"

Erik Jeppesen, Department of Bioscience, University of Aarhus

Presentation: "Tipping Points in the Ecosystem"

Maribeth Murray, Arctic Institute of North America, University of Calgary

Presentation: "The Northwater Polynya: A Comparative Observational Perspective on the Significance of Polynyas for Understanding Human-Environment Interaction Past and Present"

12.15-13.00

Lunch

# 13.00-14.00

# Theoretical Adventures and Bold Suggestions:

Short comments and suggestions for future theorizing of the interplay between ice, animals, and people.

# Discussants:

Alistair Paterson, Discipline of Archaeology/Oceans Institute, University of Western Australia

Mikkel Sørensen, The Saxo-Institute, University of Copenhagen

Sebastian Wetterich, Helmholtz Center for Polar and Marine Research, Alfred Wegener Institute, Potsdam

Morten Meldgaard, Ilisimatusarfik, Nuuk / Museum of Natural History, University of Copenhagen

14.00-14.30

Publication plans and farewell