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’

- Neil Kermode, 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 Co-Founder of The Mobile Collective
- Catriona Mallows, 2050 Climate Group
- Ole-Anders Turi, Reindeer Herder/Project Co-ordinator, International Centre for Reindeer Husbandry
- Tukumminnguaq 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