

PAME

Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment
Working Group of the Arctic Council

Arctic Marine Tourism Project Workshop Norwegian Environment Agency, Oslo, Norway *Monday 3 February 2020, 09:00-17:00* Background and Agenda

Workshop Information

The Arctic Marine Tourism Project workshop will be held on 3 February 2020, back-to-back with the PAME Working Group Meeting (PAME I-2020) and a number of other associated meetings occurring throughout the week of 3-7 February 2020.

The workshop venue is the conference center at the offices of the Norwegian Environment Agency in Oslo ([here](#)).



Norwegian Environment Agency in Oslo (Photo: Marianne GjØrv)

Workshop Objectives

The aim of this workshop is to seek input and generate discussion on PAME's *Arctic Marine Tourism Project* which is composed primarily of the following two work packages:

Work Package 1 (WP1): Arctic Marine Tourism Knowledge and Information

To compile data on tourism vessel statistics in the Arctic using the Arctic Ship Traffic Data (ASTD) database to better understand recent developments and identify gaps in data.

- i. Analyze trends in the Arctic marine tourism based on information in the ASTD system, as well as other complementary databases with respect to the number of cruise and recreational vessels, their size, area of operation, pollution information, etc.

- ii. Identify where gaps in data exist, and potential ways to address these gaps; discuss how best to frame and analyze data concerning tourism vessel operations throughout the circumpolar Arctic.

Work Package 2 (WP2): Framework for Site Specific Guidelines

To take stock of existing site-specific guidelines for near-shore and coastal areas of the Arctic frequented by passengers of marine tourism vessels and pleasure craft.

- i. Identify commonalities or best practices for the purpose of creating an aspirational template for subsequent site-specific guidelines to refer to.
- ii. Seek input from Permanent Participants and local communities who are impacted by the marine tourism industry.
- iii. Coordinate with the marine tourism industry, including the Association of Arctic Expedition Cruise Operators (AECO)

AGENDA	
Time	Agenda Item
09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-09:40	Opening Remarks and tour de table (<i>Project Co-leads: Canada, Iceland and the United Kingdom</i>)
09:40-10:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction and workshop objectives (<i>Project Co-leads</i>) • Summary of the project plan and key parameters (<i>Project Co-leads</i>) • Application of the Arctic Ship Traffic Data (ASTD) System (<i>PAME Secretariat</i>) • Discussion (<i>All Participants</i>)
10:40-10:50	Health Break
10:50-12:30	Work Package 1 (WP1): Arctic Marine Tourism Knowledge and Information
10:50-11:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arctic tourism – Data analysis and recent trends (<i>UK</i>) • Discussion and input (<i>All Participants</i>)
11:40-12:00	Other Arctic tourism datasets (<i>AECO</i>)
12:00-12:10	Gaps in data: Marine Domain Awareness (<i>Canada</i>)
12:10-12:30	Discussions and input (<i>All Participants</i>)
12:30-13:00	Lunch
13:00-13:30	Discussions and input (All Participants) continued
13:30-16:00	Work Package 2 (WP2): Framework for Site Specific Guidelines
13:30-13:40	Overview of Site-Specific Guidelines (<i>Co-leads</i>)
13:40-14:00	Industry Association Perspective (<i>AECO</i>)
14:00-14:20	Discussions and input (<i>All Participants</i>)
14:20-15:00	Regional perspective: Impacts of marine tourism on local communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Canada

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15:00-15:10	<i>Discussions and input (All Participants)</i>
15:15-15:30	<i>Health break</i>
15:30-15:50	Permanent Participant perspective: Impacts of marine tourism on local communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by ICC
15:50 - 16:10	International perspective: Polar Code 'Phase II' and related measures for vessels operating in the Arctic and Antarctic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by IMO
16:10-16:30	<i>Discussions and Input (All participants)</i>
16:30-17:00	<i>Summary and closing remarks</i>