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Kingdom of the Netherlands

Arctic Activity and Maritime Interests

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History

1596: Expedition Willem Barentsz





Today

Core concepts:

1. sustainability
2. international cooperation
3. scientific research

New polar strategy (2021-2025)
=> currently under development

Ministerie van Buitenlandse Zaken

Nederlandse Polaire Strategie 2016-2020

Samen voor duurzaam

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Earth and Life Sciences

Pole Position - NL 2.0

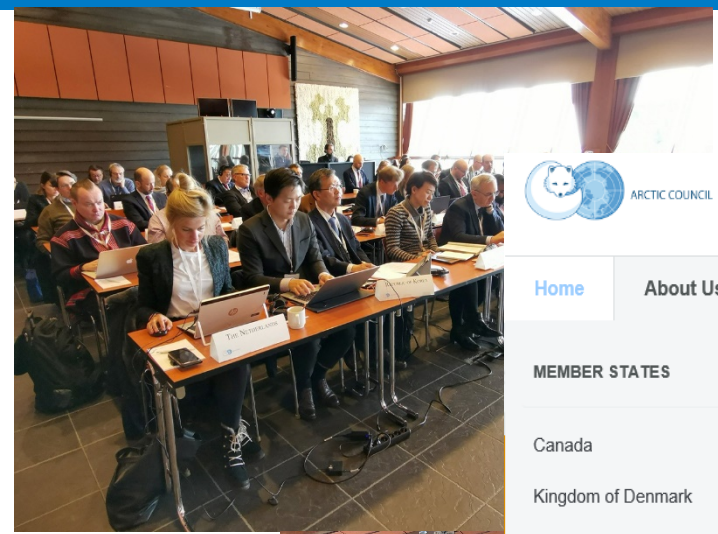
Strategy for the Netherlands Polar Programme 2016-2020

Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research



The Netherlands & the Arctic Council

- Observer since 1996
- Active in four working groups
- Focus on cooperation and science
- Selected themes of interest:
 - Marine litter
 - Migratory birds
 - Circular Economy
 - Research



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MEMBER STATES		PERMANENT PARTICIPANTS		WORKING GROUPS	
Canada		Aleut International Association (AIA)		ACAP	
Kingdom of Denmark		Arctic Athabaskan Council (AAC)		AMAP	
Finland		Gwich'in Council International (GCI)		CAFF	
Iceland		Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC)		EPPR	
Norway		Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON)		PAME	
Russian Federation		Saami Council (SC)		SDWG	
Sweden					OTHER SUBSIDIARY E
United States of America					



NL Polar Infrastructure and Research

Excellent polar research [EUR 4.2 mln/year]:

1. *Ice, climate and rising sea level*
2. *Polar ecosystems*
3. *Sustainable exploitation*
4. *Social, legal and economic landscape*



- Primary/Secondary AWI facilities open to Dutch researchers
- Norwegian Polar Institute's facilities Ny-Ålesund
- Potential MoU partners (PEV France and Polar Knowledge Canada (2020 or later))
- Dutch automated weather station - Greyed out: outsourced to Denmark in 2018
- IODP-ECORD cruises, NIQ cruises
- Aerial facilities (primarily AWI)

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The Arctic Marine Litter Project

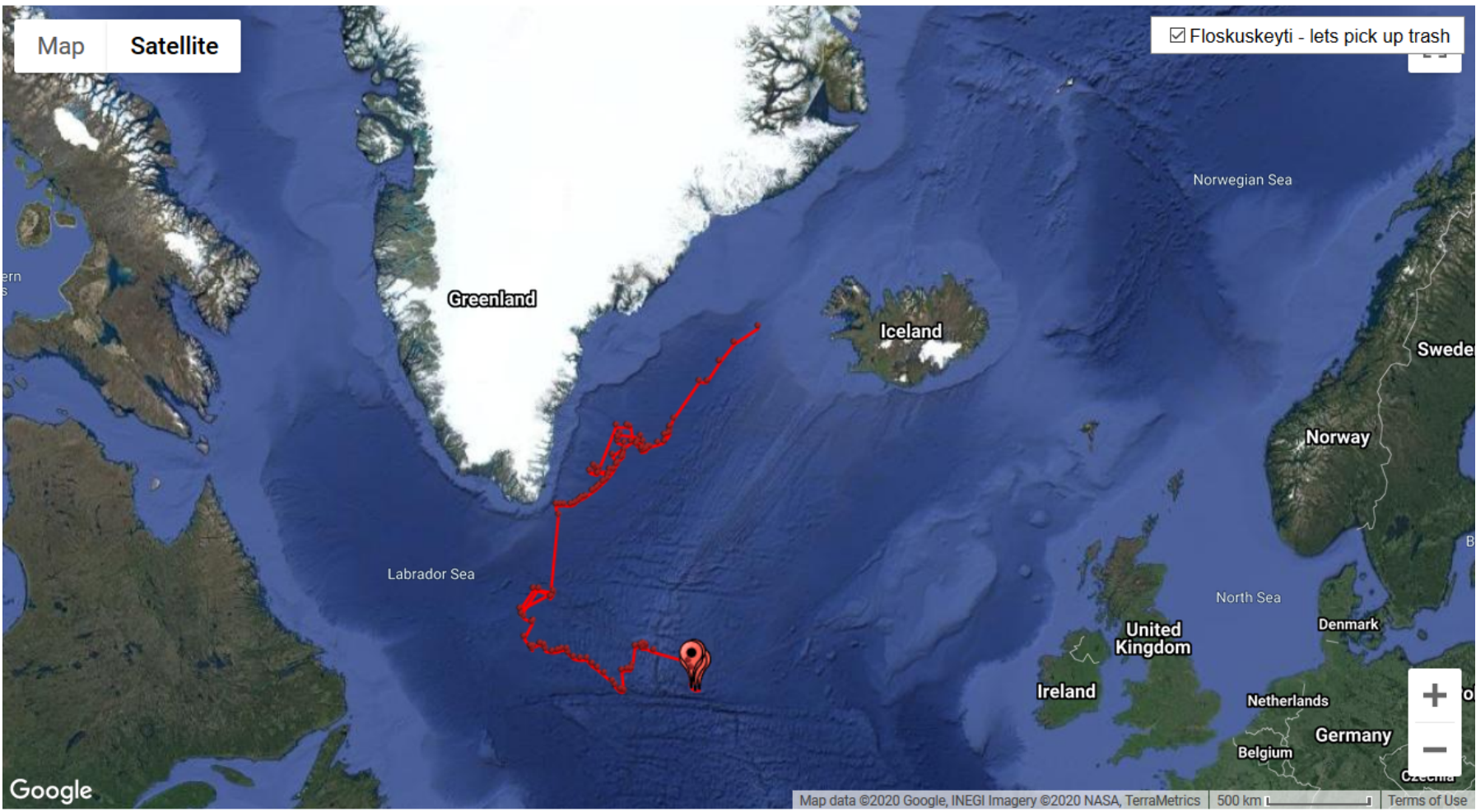
“Finding solutions together”

- Insight into the main sources & causes by 2022
- Close collaboration with partners in the region
- Multi-disciplinary: social sciences, economics, biology





PLASTIC IN A BOTTLE: LIVE MAP





The Netherlands & Shipping

- Nation of water
- Rich maritime history & flourishing maritime industry
- Modern fleet
- High standards on safety and sustainability
- Seat on IMO-Council
- Every year, >50,000 vessels moor at our maritime ports (Rotterdam & Amsterdam)

- > crucial that ships in our ports and passing our coast are safe, and cause as little environmental impact as possible

The Kingdom of the Netherlands

One Kingdom - Four Countries

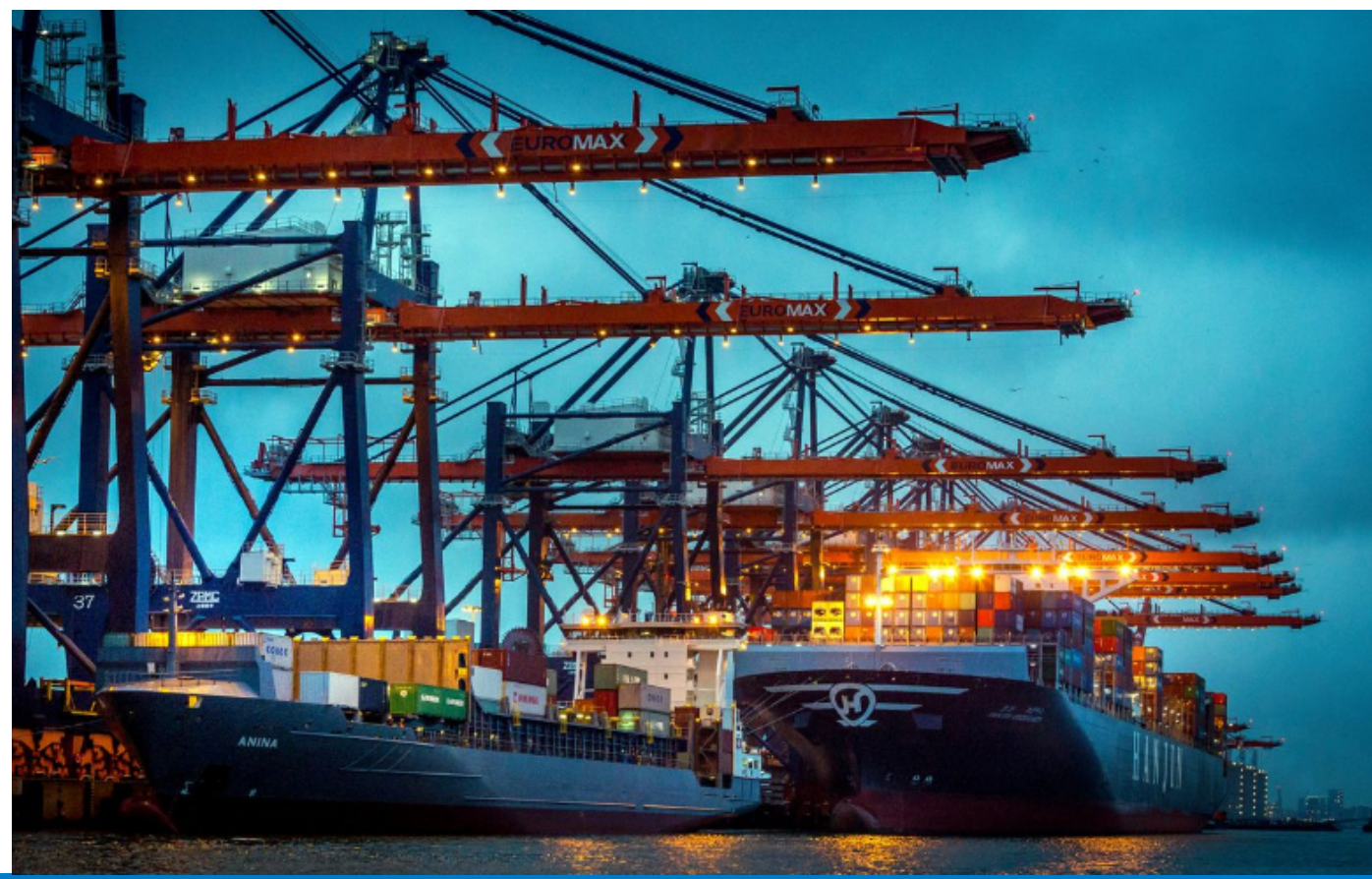


European & Caribbean



The Netherlands & Arctic Shipping

- Ready to become more active in the SEG
- Your ideas very welcome!





Thank you!

