



## REDEG Pre-Meeting Agenda 7.1: Annotation

### Meaningful Engagement of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Marine Activities (MEMA)- A Reference Guide

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This draft Reference Guide is designed to highlight good practices for meaningful engagement between proponents of [actions or] activities in the Arctic and Indigenous Peoples and local communities. It is based on the *Meaningful Engagement of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities in Marine Activities (MEMA) Part II Report* prepared by the Protection of Arctic Marine Environment (PAME) Working Group.

The draft Reference Guide connects to the findings of the MEMA Part II Report and to the MEMA Database containing over 700 documents related to engagement practices around the Arctic, which can be used to further inform proponents and Indigenous Peoples and local communities of good practices and key lessons for meaningful engagement.

Keeping in mind the adage of “written for everyone is written for no one,” there are, however, some good practices and key lessons that are applicable to all who enter into any Indigenous lands or local communities and whose entry could affect Indigenous Peoples.

#### **Action:**

The objective is to approve the text of the draft MEMA Reference Guide, allowing the Secretariat to proceed with finalizing layout, design and graphics / photos.