

# Terrestrial ecosystems: cases from Yamal



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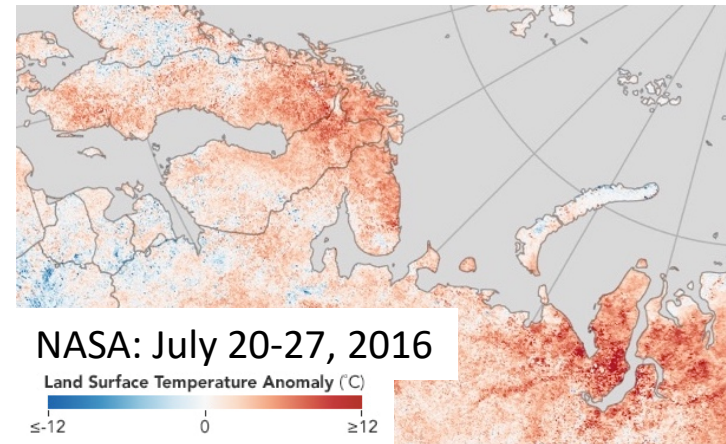
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There are 3 major drivers of change in the Arctic:

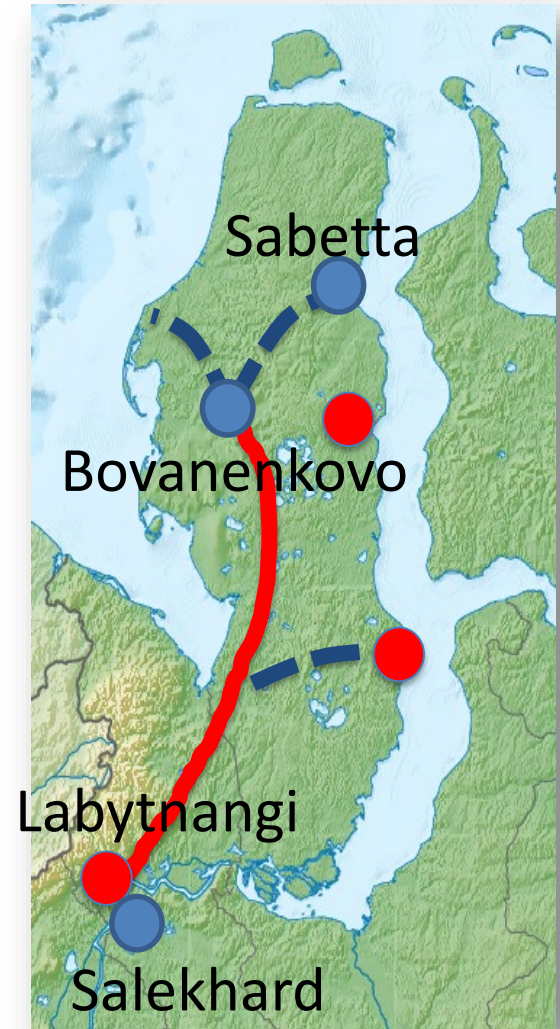
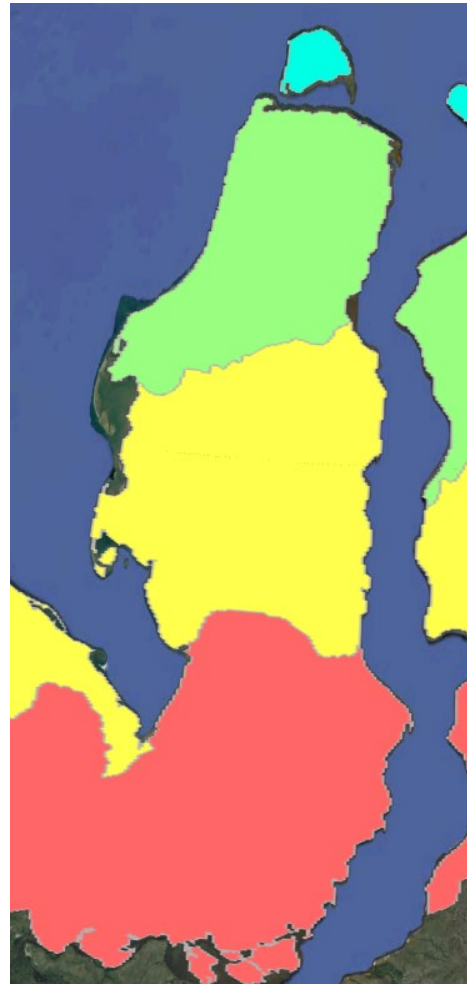
- Climate change
- Industrial development
- Herbivory grazing



Yamal allow us to measure the influence of all three main drivers of change on arctic ecosystems in different subzones of tundra

## Uniqueness of Yamal

- Geography
- Logistics
- Long-term data





+ **Nenets** – first of all  
the Laptander family



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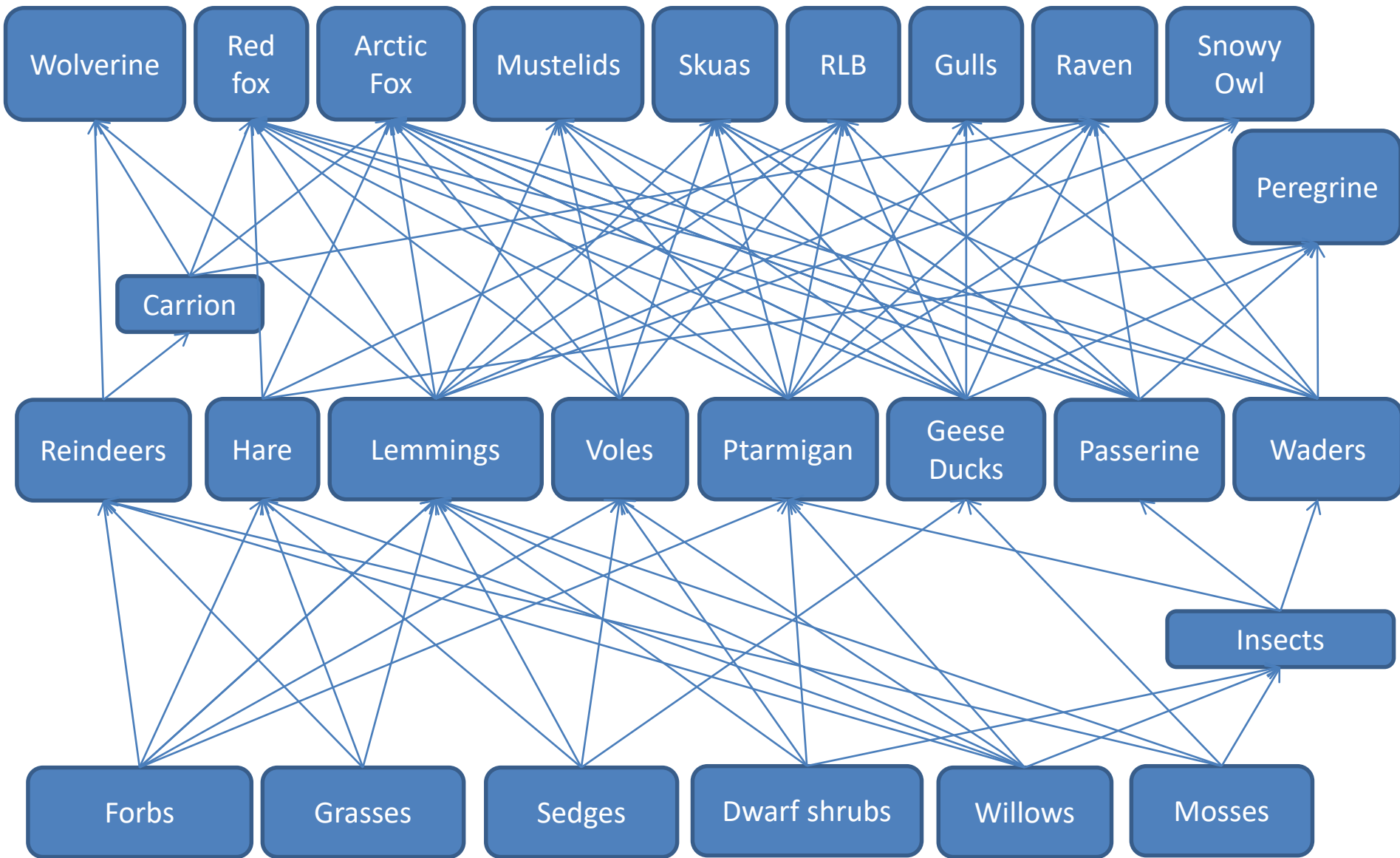


# Uniqueness of Yamal: **Long-term data** (since 1950<sup>th</sup>)

- Biodiversity and abundance of birds, mammals, fish, plants, etc.

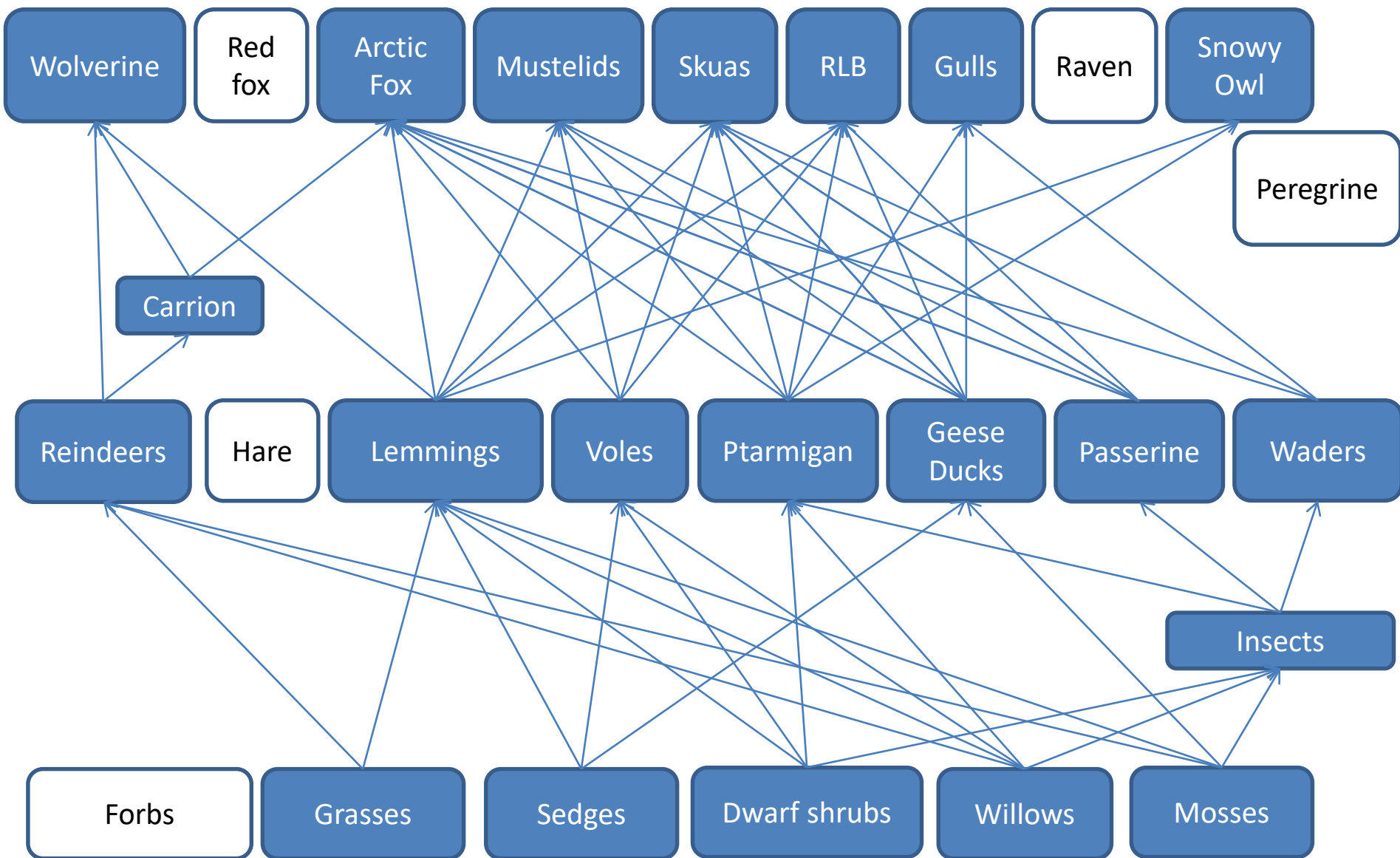


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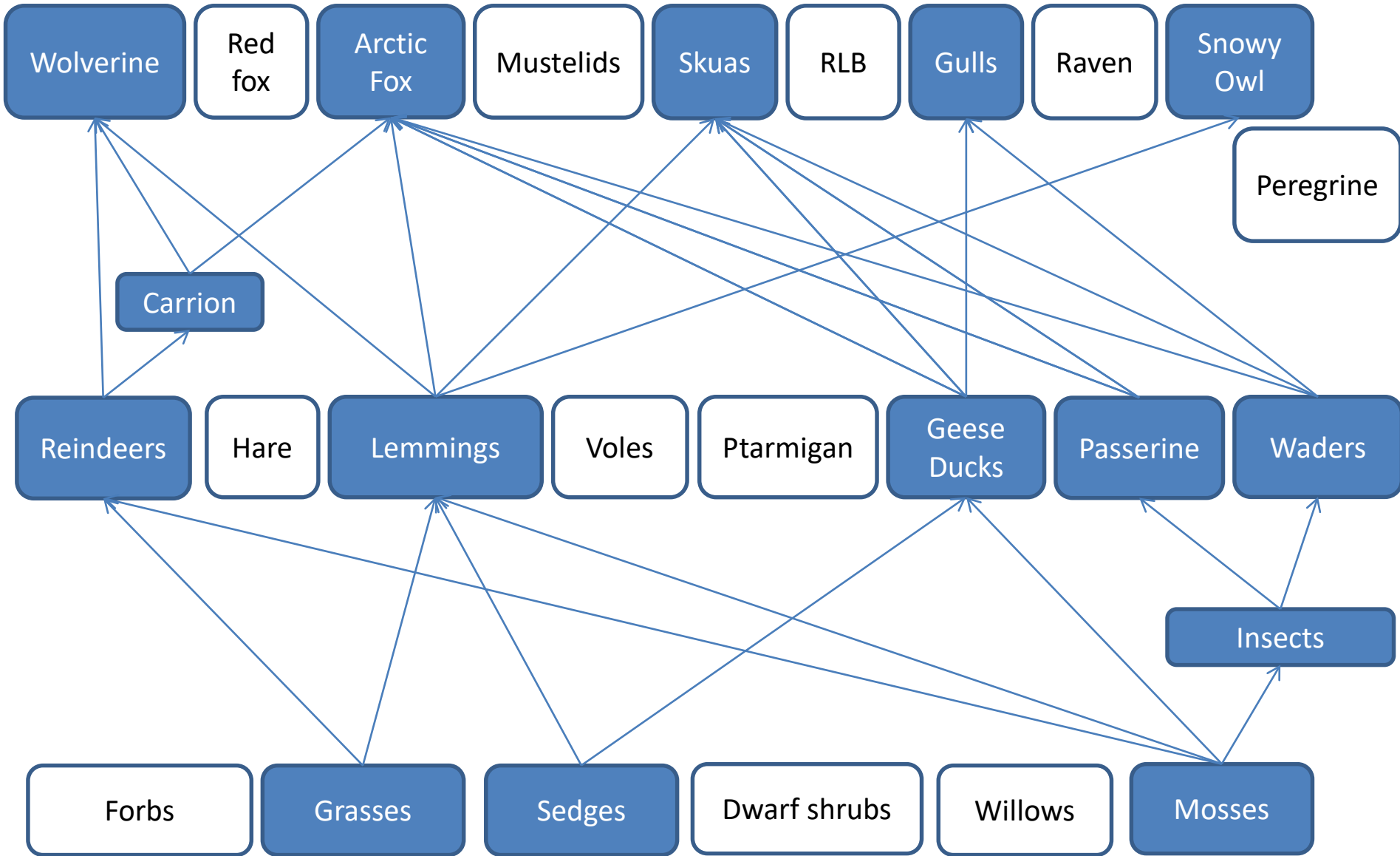
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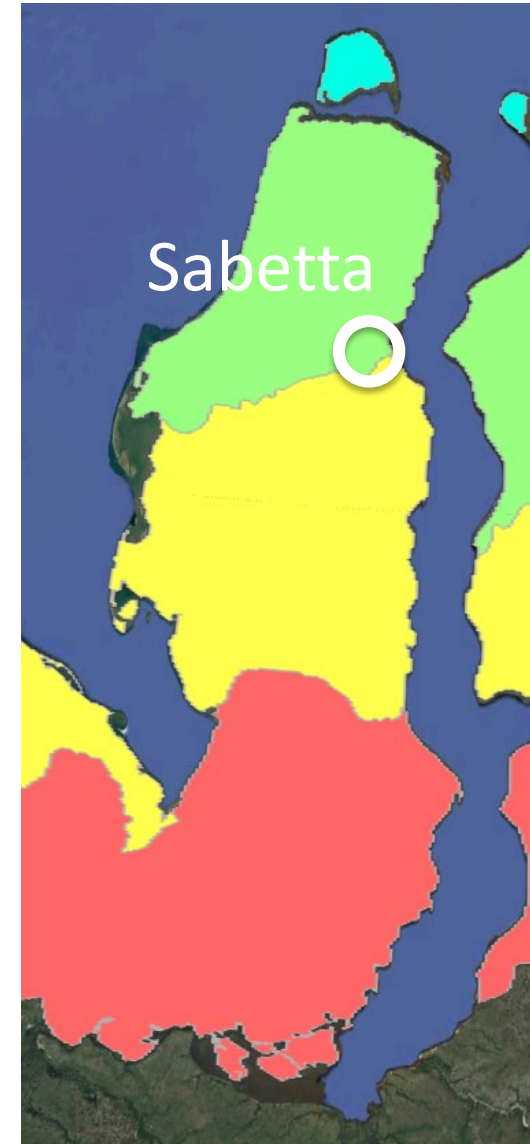
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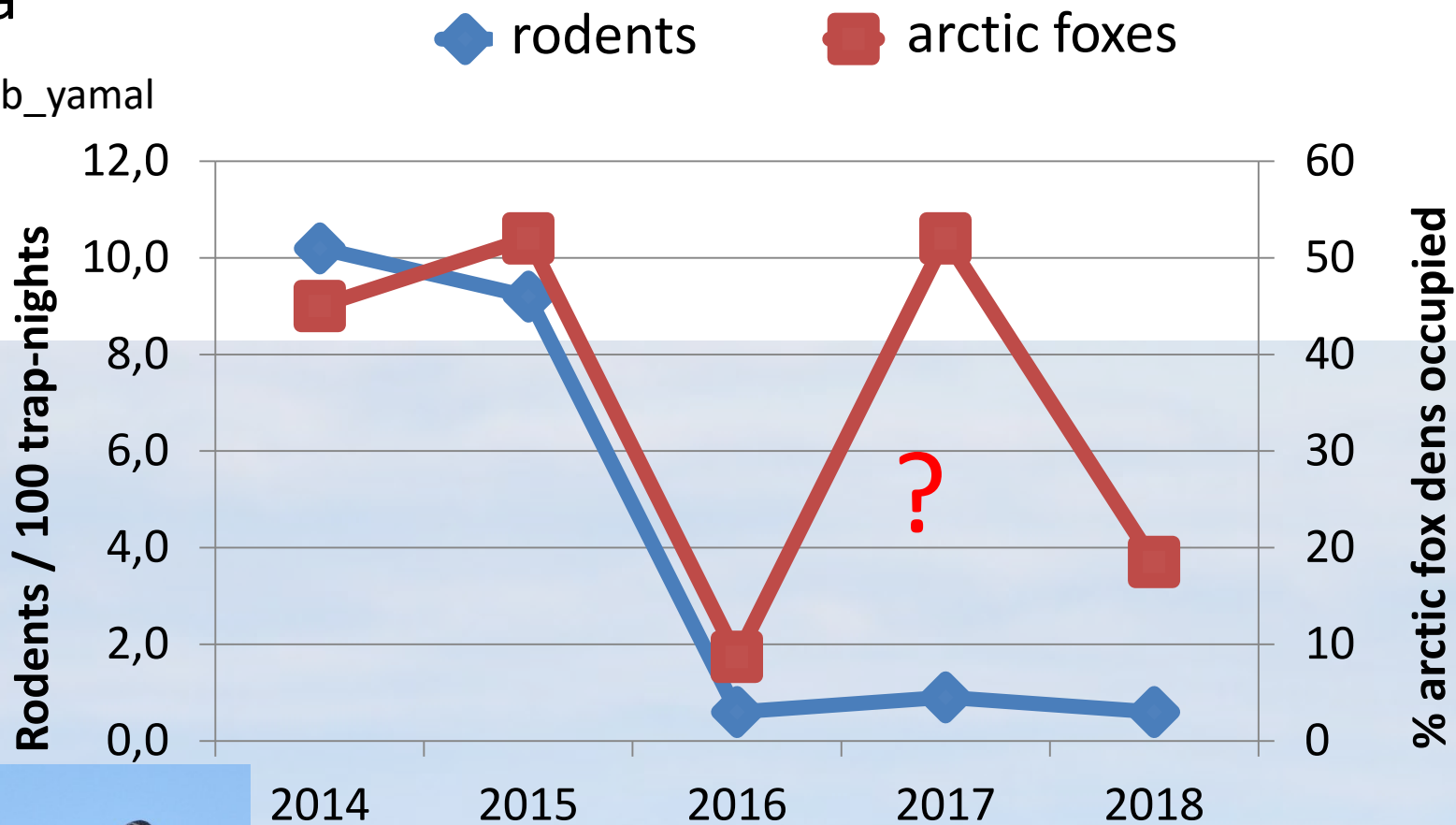
- Unique project for LNG above Polar Circle
- In peak month's up to 25-30 000 people attend

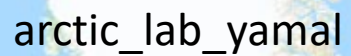


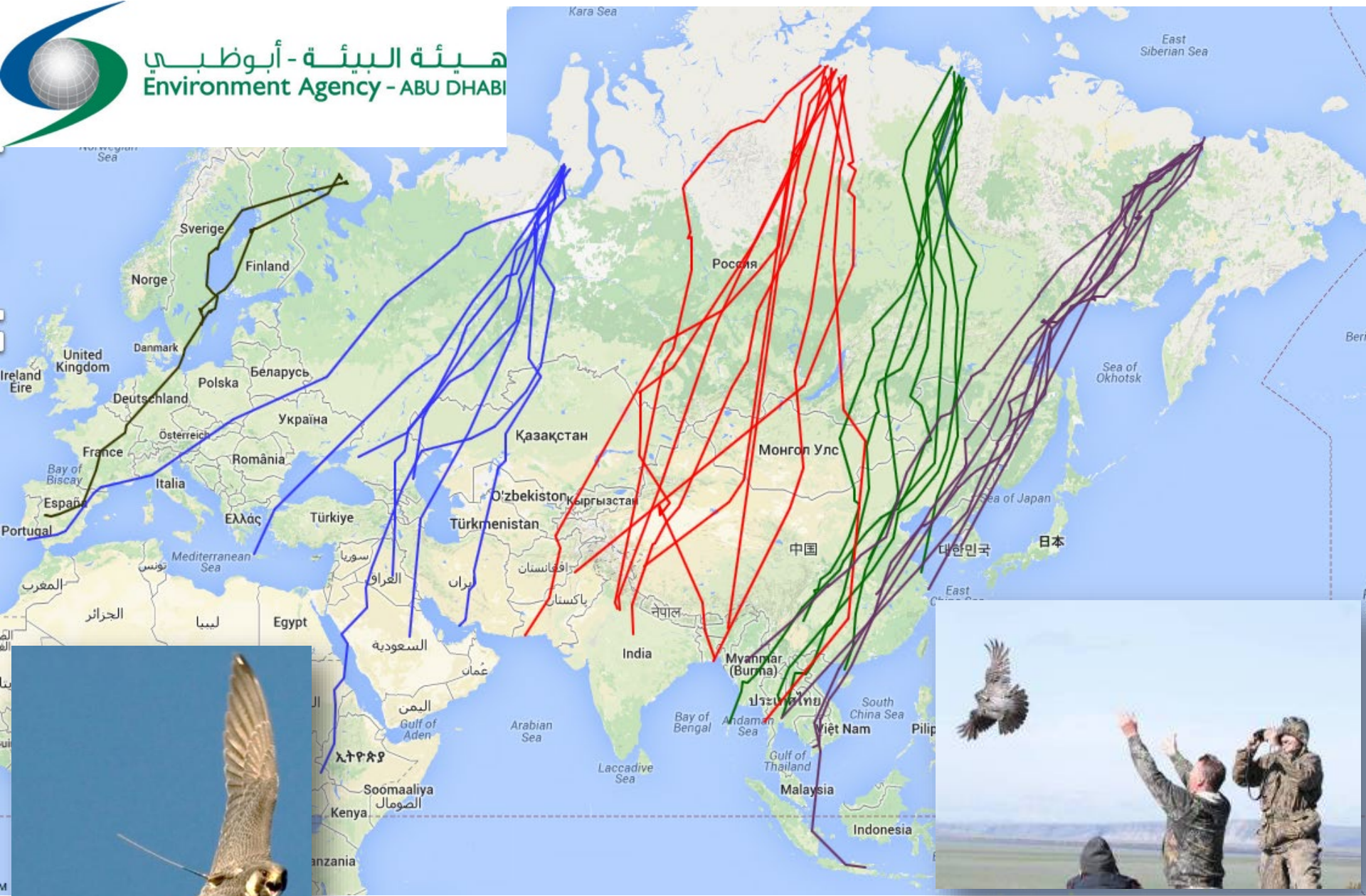
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Migration of Russian Peregrines (partly published, A.Dixon, V.Sokolov, A.Sokolov)



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Biggest and one of the rarest falcon species in the world – the Gyr Falcon.

Usually nest on rocks or trees



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## Changes on species distribution:



- Biggest and one of the rarest falcon species – the gyrfalcon successfully breed. First time on human construction in use!



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Until 3 weeks ago it's believed not more than 20 walrus around whole Yamal,  
and far not every year



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Published papers titles:



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