

# Standing Committee on Indigenous Involvement

## U.S. Representatives & Group Scope

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The ToR of the IASC Standing Committee on Indigenous Involvement is under development. The preliminary ToR drafted by IASC’s AGII and approved by the IASC Council in February 2023 are being referenced in this process.

## Critical Issues Being Discussed

- Acknowledgment that Traditional Knowledge, Indigenous Knowledge, and scientific knowledge are coequal and complementary knowledge systems.
- Encouraging & facilitating cooperation in all aspects of Arctic research, Indigenous Knowledge, and knowledge co-production in all countries engaged in Arctic research and in all areas of the Arctic.

## Current Projects/Activities

The IASC SCII will continue to develop the ToR, expecting to finalize the work by October 2024.

- Outline and develop a Communication Plan
- Election of one chair and two vice chairs at the March 2024 meeting

## Future Directions

At the March 2024 meeting the SCII outlined the following priority focus areas.

- Early Career Researchers
- Ethical Principles and Research Protocol
- Indigenous Languages
- Indigenous Fellowships & Awards