

**Polar Research Board
Virtual Fall Meeting
Public Agenda**

Friday, November 13, 2020

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Open Session

- 2:00 PM Welcome and Goals
- 2:10 PM Federal Agency Polar Program Updates
- NSF/OPP: Simon Stephenson, Alex Isern, Stephanie Short? Greg Anderson?
 - NASA/Cryosphere: Thorsten Markus
 - U.S. Arctic Research Commission: John Farrell
 - *Other agencies submitting written briefings, which will be discussed if time allows*
- 3:00 PM Discussion with Larry Hinzman, Assistant Director of Polar Sciences in the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), and Exec. Director of IARPC
- 3:30 PM Break
- 3:45 PM Discussion with Arctic Funders Collaborative Director, Elizabeth (Liz) Liske
Goals: to learn more about AFC's work, perspectives on the critical needs of Northern communities, and the motivations and priorities of philanthropies that support work in this area.
- 4:15 PM Briefing: Report from the workshop *Understanding and Responding to Global Health Security Risks from Microbial Threats in the Arctic*
Goals: To review key outcomes from the PRB workshop and consider recent developments, possible next steps. Participants include: Diana Wall; Robyn Barbato, CRREL; Josh Glasser, State Department.
- 4:50 PM Final Comments
- 5:00 PM Adjourn

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

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2:00 PM Current Project Updates:

- Mid-Term Assessment of the 2015 Strategic Vision for Antarctic and Southern Ocean Research
- Advancing a Systems Approach to Studying the Earth: A Strategy for the NSF
- Identifying New Community-Driven Science Themes for NSF's Support of Paleo Perspectives on Climate Change

2:30 PM SCAR and IASC Briefings

3:15 PM Break

Closed Session

3:30 – 4:45 PM