



**THIS ISSUE CONTAINS THE SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE
THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF ARCTIC SOCIAL SCIENCES**

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EDITORIAL

This issue of the IASSA Newsletter contains the Second Announcement for the Third International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS III) to be held in Copenhagen, May 21-23, 1998. The congress is convened in the old main building of the University of Copenhagen.

The overall theme of the congress is "Changes in the Circumpolar North. Culture, Ethics and Self-determination". The theme will be crystallised in three topics to which specific sessions will be organised: 1) Indigenous and local knowledge, 2) Social viability and cultural continuity and 3) Political dynamics, governance and self-determination.

ICASS constitutes an important international forum, where social scientists can meet and discuss research results, Arctic political processes and see them in relation to research politics. In order to achieve this aim the various sessions have been planned in a way that will allow time for discussion of each presentation. Every speaker will be given half-an-hour with a maximum presentation of 20 minutes. Each of the three regular conference days will start with two keynote presentations, focusing on one of the topics of the conference.

The Congress is the main forum for members of IASSA and the majority of the IASSA members is expected to participate in the Copenhagen meeting. We urge you to note the various deadlines and also to pay your membership and congress fees, preferably before February 15, 1998.

The General Assembly of IASSA takes place during the congress. New members to the IASSA Council must be elected and a future and new location of the IASSA secretariat must be decided upon. When IASSA was established in 1990, its first secretariat was in Montreal from where it later moved to Rovaniemi. It came to Copenhagen in 1995.

At the congress in Copenhagen, there will be a discussion on IASSA's "Guiding Principles of Ethics for the Conduct of Research", which provides a draft for guidelines for developing research partnerships based on the principles of informed consent, accountability, and mutual respect. If so decided, the guidelines are open for approval as they were presented to the IASSA General Assembly in Rovaniemi in 1995.

IASSA has for three years continued to make social sciences visible at the IASC research policy meetings. This process has been described in the proceeding newsletters. This November, in Montreal, there will be a follow-up meeting on the IASSA initiative to establish a research priority on "Rapid cultural and social change in the Circumpolar North" under the auspices of the International Arctic Science Committee (IASC).

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INFORMATION ON ICASS

For millennia, Circumpolar societies have adapted and responded to environmental and social changes and shown great resiliency. However, the pace and intensity of this change has increased dramatically during the 20th century. The Circumpolar peoples have responded in complicated and varied ways. Moreover, Circumpolar peoples have themselves initiated changes which pervade the local, national and international communities. These are cultural, social and economic changes aiming at improving livelihoods and creating new possibilities for present as well as for future generations of Circumpolar peoples. Extensive landclaims, cultural and linguistic programmes and revivals, economic development strategies, social programmes and political mobilization and lobbying are but a few examples of these internal initiatives. Another important change which deserves to be singled out, is the dialogue with social scientists, especially concerning questions of ethics and community involvement.

Circumpolar peoples have urged the science community to conduct research in accordance with the highest standards of professional responsibility and accountability to those who are affected by this research. IASSA's 'Guiding Principles of Ethics for the Conduct of Research' provides a draft for guidelines for developing research partnerships based on the principles of informed consent, accountability, and mutual respect. But ethics evaporate if they are not continuously discussed by all parties involved. ICASS III constitutes an important forum for social scientists to meet and discuss ethical issues as well as social, cultural, economic and political changes in the Circumpolar North.

Papers and abstracts

All IASSA members are welcome to present papers at the conference. Membership in IASSA is open to everybody with an interest in Arctic social sciences; please send in the IASSA membership application form and membership fee (see this newsletter) in good time. The deadline for paper title and abstract is February 15, 1998, and the organisers prefer to correspond on e-mail (iassa@coco.ihl.ku.dk). The paper proposals will be reviewed by a committee. The conference language is English and there is no translation possibilities. A collection of paper abstracts will be given to conference participants upon registration. During the session each

person will be granted 20 minutes of presentation and 10 minutes of discussion.

Sessions already proposed

Political dynamics; Indigenous knowledge; Social viability; Globalisation in the North; The Northern Sea Route social, environmental, economic and political aspects; Reports from INSROP; Images, stereotypes, representation and consciousness; Database approaches to Arctic Social Research; Arctic economy; Conditions for sustainable development in the Arctic; Contemporary state of aboriginal people in Kamchatka and the process of self-determination;

Registration

Conference registration takes place from wednesday afternoon. Program, collection of abstracts and other conference materials will be available upon registration.

Conference location

The conference takes place in the beautiful, old buildings of the University right in the heart of Copenhagen beside the cathedral. Address: Vor Frue Plads.

Transportation

It is easy to get to the conference location from all over Copenhagen, either by foot or public transportation (DKr. 11,- for a one way ticket).

Conference fee

The conference fees DKr 500,- (if paid before February 15, 1998) and DKr 600,- after that date. Students pay DKr 250,- respectively DKr 300,-. The fee can be paid in the following ways:

- a. Check in US\$ or in DKr send to IASSA secretariat. Make sure to enclose a note indicating name, address and that the amount covers the ICASS fee.
- b. US\$ bank account 3785 081811 in the Danish Bank (Den Danske Bank); make sure to indicate name, address and purpose on the transfer
- c. DKr bank account 3103 130263 in the Danish Bank (Den Danske Bank); make sure to indicate name, address and purpose on the transfer.
- d. Cash upon registration.

Please note that we *do not* take credit cards.

As mentioned earlier, only IASSA members can present papers at the conference. It is possible to include conference fee and IASSA membership fee on the same check or bank transfer. Please indicate that the amount covers both ICASS fee (amount) and IASSA membership fee (amount).

Travel funding

To a limited extent the organisers hope to be able to provide travel support. Priority are given to Russian researchers, indigenous representatives and students who present papers or organise sessions. Please send in a cv, paper title and paper abstract to be taken into consideration if such funding becomes available.

IASSA General Assembly

The General Assembly of IASSA will be convened May 23 in the afternoon, and a preparatory meeting May 22 in the evening.

Accommodation

With approximately 300 researchers attending the congress, the organisers have decided that all participants must take care of their own hotel reservation individually.

However, to help you, we have found some central located hotels in different categories, and pre-booked a number of rooms, which we have in allotment until April 1, 1998. All rooms have been booked from May 20-24. Hotels, addresses, and prices (including breakfast) are listed below. If you want to use one of the rooms you must do the following:

- 1: Fax or e-mail your booking directly to the hotel. Please indicate your name, address, telephone/fax and credit card number. The dates of arrival and departure (and if possible: the expected arriving time to the hotel). Finally (and this is important), remember to indicate that you will attend ICASS (if indicated below also a reservation number).
- 2: All communication is between you and the hotel.
- 3: You pay directly to the hotel.

List of hotels:

Ansgar Missionshotel, Colbjørnsensgade 29, DK-1652 Copenhagen V.

Fax: +45 31 21 61 91.

Number of rooms in IASSA allotment: 40.

Price pr. night: single room DKr 700,-, and double room DKr. 800,-.

Hotel Cosmopole, Colbjørnsensgade 5-11, DK-1652 Copenhagen V.

Fax: +45 31 31 33 99 and reservation nr: G050275.

Number of rooms in IASSA allotment: 20 single and 20 double.

Price pr. night: single room DKr 540,-, and double room DKr 715,-.

Hotel Cab Inn Scandinavia, Vodroffsvej 55B, DK-1900 Frederiksberg.

Fax: +45 70 22 03 95, E-mail: cabinn@inet.uni2.dk, reservation no.:9929.

Number of rooms in IASSA allotment: 60 single rooms.

Price pr. night: single room DKr 435,- and double room DKr 570,-.

Hotel Du Nord, Colbjørnsensgade 14, DK-1652 Copenhagen V.

Fax: +45 31 31 33 99 and reservation no.: G017050.

Number of rooms in IASSA allotment: 15 single and 15 double.

Price pr. night: single room Dkr 340,- and double room DKr 480,-.

Please note: All rooms are with bath/toilet except the rooms at Hotel Du Nord.

At Hotel Du Nord all rooms have got wash basin. Bathroom and toilets are located on every floor.

For cheap accomodation (hostels) please contact

Copenhagen Danhostel Bellahøj, Herbergvejen 8, 2700 Brønshøj

Phone: +45 38 28 97 15, fax: +45 38 89 02 10

Price: 135,- Dkr for a bed in a room with five beds.

Copenhagen Danhostel Amager, Vejlands Allé, 2300 Copenhagen S.

phone: 32 52 29 08, fax: 32 52 27 08

Price: 135,- Dkr for a bed in a room with five beds.

Sleep-in, Ravnsborggade 18, 2200 Copenhagen N

phone: +45 31 35 35 40, fax: 31 35 56 40

Price: 70-90 Dkr for a bed in a dormitory with 10-38 beds. Ecological breakfast 25 Dkr.

More information on accommodation in Copenhagen can be found on the internet:

<http://www.leisureplan.com>

IASA Principles for Arctic Research

Draft prepared June 1, 1995

Preface

This statement of principles has been formulated in accordance with the Bylaws of the International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IASA) adopted by the IASSA General Assembly on 29 October 1992. These Principles have been formulated to provide guidelines for all researchers working in the North in the social, natural and health sciences and in the humanities. These principles are intended to promote mutual respect, communication and partnerships between researchers and northern residents. This statement is not intended to replace other national, professional or local guidelines. It is understood that there must be continuing assessment of the principles.

Principles

All scientific investigations in the North should be assessed in terms of their potential human impact and interest. Social science research, particularly studies of human subjects, requires special consideration, as do studies of land and resources that have economic, cultural, social and spiritual value to Native people. In all instances, it is the responsibility of the principal investigator on each project to implement the following:

1. The researcher should consult with the appropriate regional and/or local authorities regarding planned research within their territories. Informed consent should be obtained from appropriate authorities and from any individuals involved in the research. In seeking informed consent, the researchers should identify all sponsors and sources of support; the person in charge and all investigators involved in the research; the purposes, goals, and time frame of the research; data gathering techniques (including audio and video recording, photographs, etc.) and uses to which they will be put and foreseeable potential benefits and risks. The responsibility of researchers to inform continues after approval has been obtained.

2. The researcher should consult with and, where applicable, include local people in project planning and implementation. Realistic opportunities should be provided for them to express their interests and to participate in the research.

3. Research results should be presented to local communities in non-technical terms and where possible translated into local languages. Copies of research reports and other relevant materials should be made available to local communities.

4. Subject to the requirements for anonymity, publications should always refer to the informed consent of participants and give credit to those contributing to the research project.

5. The researcher must respect local cultural traditions, languages, and values. Efforts should be made to incorporate local and traditional knowledge and experience and to acknowledge the principle of cultural property.

6. Efforts should be made to provide meaningful experience, training and economic opportunities for local people.

7. In cases where individuals or groups provide information of a confidential nature, their anonymity must be guaranteed in both the original use of data and in its deposition for future use.

8. Research on humans should only be undertaken in a manner that respects their privacy and dignity. Subjects must remain anonymous unless they have agreed to be identified. If anonymity cannot be guaranteed, the subjects must be informed of the possible consequences of becoming involved in the research.

9. All research involving children must be fully justified and never undertaken without the consent of the children and their parents or legal guardians.

10. Sacred sites, cultural materials and human remains cannot be disturbed or removed without appropriate local consent and in accordance with international, national and local laws and regulations.

(Noel Broadbent, Julie Cruikshank, Rosita Worl)

BOOK ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sinews of Survival

by Betty Kobayashi Issenman

Traditional Inuit fur and skin attire has been used for protection, a sense of identity, and as culture-bearer for thousands of years. By preserving their clothing traditions, the Inuit celebrate their accomplishments, show pride in being part of a unique culture, and affirm their lasting connection to the natural and spiritual worlds of their ancestors. The book draws together knowledge about circumpolar clothing technologies, styles, and materials from prehistoric times to the present. It reveals the spiritual, artistic, and social conventions manifested in the apparel and its use. Symbols within the clothing make viable the bonding between the human and animal kingdom, and important part of Inuit cosmology. The text documents the role of clothing worn during celebrations, ceremonies, and rituals from childbirth to death. While the focus is on the Canadian heritage, ample references to and images of Inuit clothing from Northeastern Siberia, Alaska and Greenland help readers appreciate commonalities and differences.

1997, 224 pages, 225 photographs, ISBN 0-7748-0596-X, \$49.95 from UBC Press, fax 604 822 6083 or £26.99 from Marston Book Services, Oxon, U.K.

Quaqtaq: Modernity and Identity in an Inuit Community

by Louis-Jacques Dorais

How, in a world that is drastically changing, can the Inuit preserve their identity? The author explores this question in Quaqtaq, the first ethnography of a contemporary Canadian Inuit community to be published in over twenty-five years. The community of Quaqtaq is a small village on Hudson Strait where hunting and gathering are still the mainstays of life. In this description of Quaqtaq, based on data collected over a thirty-year period, we get a glimpse of its early cultural history, its development into a settled community, and its present realities. Dorais identifies three principal manifestations of local identity - kinship, religion, and language - that persist despite the brutal intrusion of modernity. He concludes by examining the role politics and education have played in the relationship between

Quaqtaq and the outside world. Quaqtaq is a unique and important study that will be of interest to scholars, administrators and citizens of Inuit and other native communities.

1997, 132 pages, University of Toronto Press, ISBN 0-8020-4105-1 (cloth)

Northern Minority Languages. Problems of Survival.

edited by Hiroshi Shoji and Juha Janhunen

This 44th publication in the Senri Ethnological Studies series is a collection of papers presented at the 18th Taniguchi Int. Symposium. The book contains the following papers. The indigenous languages of the North: a report on their present status (M. Krauss), Prospects of language preservation in the North (S. Wurm), Language policies and national consciousness among the Northern Minorities (H. Shoji), Factors of Russianization in Siberia and linguo-ecological strategies (E. Helimski), Ecology and ethnic survival among the Nenets (T. Salminen), The Evenki language from Yenisei to Sakhalin (V. Atkine), The languages of Manchuria in today's China (J. Janhunen), State languages as a challenge to ethnicity in the Sami Land (N. Helander), Social aspects of the Ainu linguistic decline (H. Kirikae), Linguistic diversity and national borders of Tungusic (T. Sumagari) and Unangam tunuu and Sugtestun: a struggle for continued life (P. Hallamaa).

1997, 234 pages, ISSN 0387 6004, National Museum of Ethnology, Osaka, Japan.

The Anthropology of Community-Based Whaling in Greenland

edited by M.G. Stevenson, A. Madsen and E.L. Maloney

Greenland's Inuit have for generations depended upon the hunting and sharing of whales to fulfil social, cultural, nutritional, economic, and spiritual needs. Yet increasingly, their ability to continue their tradition in an ecologically-responsible and sustainable manner is threatened by those opposed to the killing of whales. Community-based whaling societies live in a world of international quotas and import restrictions that threaten the very foundation, fabric, and future of Greenlandic Inuit society. Subject to International

Whaling Commission (IWC) regulations, Greenlanders value the scientific advice provided, but remain concerned that too much regulation from the outside will continue to restrict local management of whaling. This is a collection of anthropological papers tabled at meetings of the IWC since 1979 by the Greenland Home Rule Authorities. The contributions illustrate the level of concern and responsible reaction by Greenlanders toward whaling activities. Perhaps most importantly, they argue for greater and more meaningful Inuit participation in decision-making and management action (e.g., by contributing knowledge and understanding and developing regulations that accord with local realities).

1997, 278 pages, Canadian Circumpolar Institute, Occasional Publication No. 42, ISBN 1-896445-05-5 hardcover, B&W photos \$40.

CONFERENCES

International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences: Changes in the Circumpolar North: Culture, Ethics, and Self-determination
21-23 May, 1998, University of Copenhagen.

For further information see this newsletter.

International Congress on the History of the Arctic and Sub-Arctic Region
18-21 June, 1998, Reykjavík, Iceland

There will be three main themes at the congress: i) centre and periphery, ii) Indigenous culture and external influences, iii) farming. Several papers will be presented on each of these themes. There will also be single lectures, which may be on any theme that can be related to the history of the arctic and sub-arctic region. Moreover, there will be round-table sessions. Those who wish to make a contribution are asked to contact Professor Ingi Sigurdsson as soon as possible. Institute of History, Uni. of Iceland, IS-101 Reykjavík, Iceland. Tel: +354 525 4426, fax: +354 525 4242, e-

mail: ingi@rhi.hi.is. More information about the congress can be obtained from Iceland Tourist Bureau, fax +354 562 3345/562 5895, congrex@itb.is.

7th Nordic Arctic Research Forum Symposium: The Arctic and Development Theory

January 9-11, 1998, in Northern Jutland, Denmark at "Hoejgaarden", Slette Strand, 9890 Fjerritslev.

Development theories normally find their paradigms in Africa, Asia or South America. The main idea of this symposium is to confront some of these theories with the development in the Arctic. Moreover it has to be stressed that the point of NARF symposia is for Arctic social researchers to meet and discuss (all kinds of) research papers and to plan new activities. The number of participants is limited to 50. The preliminary workshops are the following: 1) Industrial Development in the Arctic, 2) Sustainable Development in the Arctic, 3) The Welfare State Concept and Living Conditions in the Arctic, 4) Political, Social and Cultural Structuring in the Arctic.

If you want to present a paper, please send preliminary title and abstract to

Tom Greiffenberg, Aalborg University, Department of Development and

Planning, Fibigerstraede 11, DK-9220 Aalborg, Denmark, Phone: + 45 96358300 or 96368349, Fax: + 45 98156541, e-mail: greiffenberg@i4.auc.dk, before December 1st, 1997. Papers are planned to be published in proceedings. Each speaker will have 20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for discussion. If you want further information or want to participate in the symposium please contact Tom Greiffenberg.

The Seventh Common Property Conference of the Int. Ass. for the Study of Common Property: Crossing Boundaries

10-14 June, 1998, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Particularly well received at this conference are panels which cross boundaries between disciplines, between practice and theory, between resource types, between cultures, or between jurisdictions. For more information contact Dr. Evelyn Pinkerton
School of Resource and Environmental Management,

Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia V5A 1S6, Canada, Fax: 604/291-4968, e-mail: iascp98@sfu.ca

[please submit electronically if possible, using e-mail or our webpage registration form at <http://www.sfu.ca/iascp98/>]. Information about the international association for the study of common property is available on the web site: <http://www.indiana.edu/~iascp/index.html>.

Sustainable Development in the Arctic: Lessons learned and the way ahead

12-14 May, 1998, in Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada

The conference will address the theme of circumpolar sustainable development. It is not envisaged as an Arctic Council activity, but is expected to contribute to the objectives of the Council. The event is intended to bring together practitioners and policy makers from the eight Arctic countries; approximately 250 people are expected to participate. Conference themes are 1) Living in communities in the circumpolar north; 2) Making a living, training, trade and investment in the circumpolar north; 3) Decision making and priority setting in the circumpolar north. Workshops under each theme deal with social aspects as housing, tourism, use of fish and wildlife, changes in governance to mention a few examples.

For further information please contact Jill Watkins, DIAND, Natural Resources and Environment Branch, 10 Wellington St., 6th floor, Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H4, Canada. Tel: +1 819 994-7459, fax: +1 819 953-2590.

Annual Wildlife Conference

March 31, 1998, American University's School of Law, Washington DC

This annual conference draws law students and practitioners as well as activists in animal rights. The panels for the conference will be as follows:

Panel #1: The Interface of the World Trade Organization and International Wildlife Treaty Regimes/National Wildlife Conservation Legislation. We are particularly interested in speakers that will address this issue in the context of a specific dispute, e.g. Shrimp/TEDs, Leghold Traps/EU.

Panel #2: Sustainable Use of Wildlife: Opportunity or Oxymoron? We are seeking speakers to examine the moral, economic and biological issues related to sustainable use of wildlife as an economic resource. We are particularly interested in the application of the concept in the context of international wildlife treaty regimes, including CITES and regional regimes. Gail Osherenko, Institute of Arctic Studies, Dartmouth College, gailo@dartmouth.edu, is looking for good speakers with knowledge of native use of wildlife for this panel.

Panel #3: Regional Wildlife Treaty Regimes: Problems and Prospects. We are seeking speakers to assess the viability of regional wildlife treaty regimes, including agreements entered into under the Convention on Conservation of Migratory Species (e.g. the European Bats Agreement, ASCOBANS, the Lusaka Agreement on Cooperative Enforcement Operations Directed at Illegal Trade in Wild Fauna and Flora, and the Bern Convention on the Conservation of European Wildlife and Natural Habitats). The focus of the speakers should be on the efficacy of such regimes to date and how the regimes can be strengthened.

Also, if you wish to be placed on a mailing list for program/registration materials, please contact Wil Burnds. Registration information, as well as information about past conferences is available on our web site: <http://EELINK.umich.edu/~greenlif/index.html>. For more information please contact Wil Burns, Managing Editor, Journal of Wildlife Management Law & Policy, 1563 Solano Ave. #193, Berkeley, CA 94707, (510) 658-4380 (Phone), (510) 658-5946 (Fax), JWMLP@earthling.net (e-mail)

11th Inuit Studies Conference. Partnership in Development? Polarization in Inuit Societies

September 23-27, 1998, in Nuuk, Greenland

The conference illuminates as a key issue the dynamics of increasing entrepreneurship and victimization and the dialogues which arise there from. Topic categories may among others include: Social structure, social organisation and social change in Inuit societies; Health issues, education, and welfare in Inuit societies; Inuit history, prehistory, and experiences; Local administration in home rule governments: options and consequences; research politics; Traditional and modern

technology utilized in Inuit enterprises; Public services; Cultural gaps and empowering the disadvantaged; Descriptive and applied linguistics.

For more information please contact the Organizing Committee, P.O.Box 1628, DK 3900 Nuuk, Greenland, Tel: +299 2 45 66, Fax: +299 2 47 11, e-mail: isc98@gs.gh.gl.

WELCOME TO THE "IASSA.NET" DISCUSSION LIST

This discussion list is designed for use by members and others interested in the goals of the International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IASSA). The organization was founded in 1990 to represent Arctic social scientists in international contexts and to provide a network for social scientists working and/or living in the North. Among IASSA's objectives are efforts to ensure that social science research is carried out in accordance with ethical principles approved by indigenous peoples and other Northern residents. IASSA also seeks to develop and enhance educational programs that will provide northern residents and those interested in the North with information necessary to improve social, economic, and political conditions in Northern communities.

Information, questions, and communications on this discussion list will deal broadly with issues affecting Arctic social sciences and with matters of interest to IASSA members. Contributions may include announcements of meetings or conferences, news about upcoming IASSA activities, information about new publications of interest to Arctic social scientists, job announcements, or requests for contacts with scholars investigating particular topics. Postings should be those of interest to a wide audience, and not for a particular person (use e-mail for this purpose). For more information about this discussion list, see the help menu or contact Dr. Richard Caulfield, University of Alaska Fairbanks, USA (ffrac@aurora.alaska.edu).

Subscribing to "IASSA.NET"

To subscribe to this list, send a mail message to LISTSERV@GALILEO.UAFADM.ALASKA.EDU. The body of your message should read SUBSCRIBE IASSA.NET Please

include a blank line after the command. To unsubscribe, send the message UNSUBSCRIBE IASSA.NET to the same address.

Posting messages

To post a message to IASSA.NET, send your mail message to IASSA.NET@GALILEO.UAFADM.ALASKA.EDU. It will be automatically distributed to all list subscribers.

Please be sure to include your name and user id with each message. Otherwise, subscribers will not know who sent the message or how to respond to you personally (if they so desire).

Guidelines for use of "IASSA.NET"

Since this discussion list is self-moderated, some guidelines are appropriate:

1. Topics should relate to the professional interests of Arctic social scientists. Items that are strictly for personal interest should be sent through e-mail.
2. New subscribers to IASSA.NET are encouraged to introduce themselves to other members of the list by posting (as appropriate) a short biography, academic affiliations, research interests, language proficiencies, telephone/fax contact numbers, etc.
3. All those posting items to the list should include a name and e-mail address with their contributions.
4. **Important** If you use your mailer's REPLY command to respond to a message, please remember that ALL subscribers will receive your message. If you want to reply to only one person, please use their personal address.
5. Comments or suggestions about this list should be sent to listowner Richard Caulfield at ffrac@aurora.alaska.edu.

Additional commands

The following commands may be used by any subscriber: (These commands should be sent in the body of a message to listserv@galileo.uafadm.alaska.edu)

HELP

Provides information about using the discussion list host server.

REVIEW IASSA.NET

Provides you with a list of current subscribers to the IASSA.NET discussion list.

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Provides a list of files available by e-mail from the host computer.

SEND (filename)

Asks the host server to send you a file. For a list of available files, see INDEX.

If you have technical problems with this discussion list, send a message to fxdjl@galileo.uafadm.alaska.edu.

A special thanks to the University of Alaska Fairbanks USA for supporting this discussion list. Text supplied by Richard Caulfield (revised 1/96).

IASSA INFORMATION WINTER 1997

Foundation

IASSA was founded in 1990 in Fairbanks, Alaska, at a meeting held in conjunction with the 7th. *Inuit Studies Conference*. The creation of IASSA follows the suggestion, made at the *Conference on Coordination of Research in the Arctic* held in Leningrad in 1988, to establish an international association to represent Arctic social scientists. From its founding in 1990 until 1992, IASSA's secretariat was housed at the Department of Geography, McGill University, Montréal, Canada. The following three years the secretariat was situated at the Arctic Centre, University of Lapland, Rovaniemi, Finland.

Objectives

The Arctic is defined as all Arctic and sub-arctic regions of the world. The social sciences encompass

disciplines relating to behavioral, psychological, cultural, anthropological, archaeological, linguistic, historical, social, legal, economic, environmental, and political subjects as well as health, education, the arts and humanities, and related subjects.

The objectives are:

- * to promote and stimulate international cooperation and to increase the participation of social scientists in national and international arctic research;
- * to promote communication and coordination with other research organizations;
- * to promote the active collection, exchange, dissemination, and archiving of scientific information in the Arctic social sciences;
- * to increase public awareness of circumpolar issues and research results;
- * to promote mutual respect, communication, and collaboration between social scientists and northern people;
- * to facilitate culturally, developmentally, and linguistically appropriate education in the North;
- * to adopt a statement of ethical principles for the conduct of research in the Arctic.

Administration

IASSA is governed by an elected eleven-member Council and a General Assembly consisting of all paid members. The secretariat is presently based at the Department of Eskimology, University of Copenhagen, Denmark. The council is chaired by Jens Dahl (Copenhagen University, Denmark), and the secretariat is run by Frank Sejersen.

Membership

Membership is open to anyone interested in Arctic Social sciences. Membership fees for two years are 35 US dollars or 200 Danish kroner. Membership is by calendar year. Membership in IASSA is required to participate in IASSA meetings. Please direct inquiries and payment to the IASSA secretariat.

Meetings

IASSA held its *First International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS I)* in Québec, Canada, on 28-31 October 1992. The congress was held on the campus of Université Laval immediately following the 8th. Inuit Studies Conference. More than 300 people participated in ICASS I, 235 of which presented papers. Sixteen countries were represented by paper presenters. Finnish, Greenlandic, Inuit, Sámi, Canadian, and American student groups also participated. The next IASSA congress (ICASS II) was held jointly in Rovaniemi, Finland, and Kautokeino, Norway, in summer 1995. Abstracts and keynote speakers from ICASS II can be ordered without charge from the IASSA secretariat. ICASS III takes place in Copenhagen, Denmark May 21-23, 1998.

Further information

For further information, please contact:

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I wish to attend ICASS III

- ☐ I propose to deliver a paper (abstract included max 100 words)
☐ I propose to organise a session (details included)
☐ I wish to attend the sessions
☐ I wish to become a member of IASSA, and have send in application form (in this newsletter)

Name: _____

University/Institution: _____

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⌘ IASSA Membership Application

International Arctic Social Sciences Association

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and may be released to requesting parties.

Please return a signed application form to the address below.

Please print clearly

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_____ Country _____

Telephone number at work (including country code) _____

Fax number (including country code) _____

E-mail address _____

Discipline or research field _____

Highest degree held, date and name of institution _____

Keywords describing your current research interests _____

Geographic areas or field work and general interest _____

Additional information (e.g., recent publications, research grants, lectures, courses taught, research
projects in progress) that can be used in the IASSA Newsletter _____

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IASA Membership Application

Membership Dues

Membership is by calendar year. Membership will only be activated upon receipt of payment. Payment may be made by cash, payment order, Eurocheque, postal cheque, international money order or bank transfer. **No personal cheques are accepted.** Transfer and collection fees must be paid by the sender. **Make sure your name appears on the payment.** If you use Eurocheque, remember to write the number of your card on the back of the cheque.

Dues may be paid in US dollars: US\$ 35 for two years, US\$ 50 for three years, and US\$ 75 for five years. Payment may also be made in Danish kroner; the rates are: Dkr. 200 for two years, Dkr. 250 for three years, and Dkr. 400 for five years. We urge members to sign up for five years and to pay the dues in Danish kroner to reduce exchange fees.

Members residing in countries without convertible currencies should contact the secretariat for payment terms. Membership dues cover secretariat costs and newsletter, and assist towards congressional organizing costs and other activities compatible with the objectives of IASSA (e.g. stipends for indigenous students' groups to attend the IASSA congress).

Please indicate form of payment:

- ☐ cash
- ☐ international money order to International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IASSA)
- ☐ eurocheque to International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IASSA)
- ☐ postal cheque to International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IASSA)
- ☐ payment order to International Arctic Social Sciences Association (IASSA)
- ☐ bank transfer* in US\$ to bank account in The Danish Bank (Den Danske Bank): 3785 081811
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Please indicate number of years of membership

- ☐ 2 years ☐ 3 years ☐ 5 years

I agree with the objective of the Int. Arctic Social Sciences Association and wish to become a member

Date _____ Signature _____

We appreciate any suggestions concerning the organization, objectives, and future projects of IASSA. Please write them below or use additional sheet. Thank you. _____
