

The Arctic Research Centre  
CER-ARCTIC  
Inauguration  
and  
The 2017 Stefansson Memorial Lecture  
1 December 2017  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona



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Main objectives of the ARCTIC Research Centre at the UAB:

- To undertake socially responsible research with and for Arctic local communities.
  - To provide a linchpin and creative meeting place for transdisciplinary research and open communication.
  - To study issues of rights and social justice regarding the use of maritime resources and spaces.
  - To form a bridge for comparative studies of common issues in both Arctic and non-Arctic regions.
  - To promote greater understanding of issues of sustainability and sound governance system as frameworks for human development and welfare in the region.
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# PROGRAMME

13.00 Welcome and presentation of the ARCTIC RESEARCH CENTRE (CER-ARCTIC) at UAB, by Dr. Françoise Breton, Director of the CER-ARCTIC, UAB.

13.30 Buffet

Press Interviews

14.30 Introduction to the 2017 STEFANSSON MEMORIAL LECTURE, by Dr. Níels Einarsson, Director of the Stefansson Arctic Institute, Iceland, and Dr. Melody Brown Burkins, Associate Director at the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College, USA.

The lecture will be delivered by Professor Brynhildur Davíðsdóttir, Environment and Natural Resources. Department of Economics, and Department of Life-and Environmental Sciences, Univ. of Iceland.

Title: **The Value of the Arctic**

15.30 DISCUSSION PANEL, moderated by Dr. Níels Einarsson, with the participation of Dr. Marta Sobrido-Prieto, Senior Lecturer in Public International Law and EU Law, Univ. of A Coruña,; Mr Rune Fjellheim, Director, Sámi Parliament in Norway; Dr. Melody Brown Burkins, Associate Director at the John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College; Dr. Brynhildur Davíðsdóttir, Professor at Univ. of Iceland; Dr Marianne H. Rasmussen, Director of the Univ. of Iceland Research Centre in Húsavík.

16.30 Coffee Break

16.45 Documentary film: **Whales, Science and the Local Community in Húsavík, Iceland**, a Premiere by Miquel Such and John Grothier.

17.15 Concluding words, by the UAB Research and Innovation Vice-Rector Dr. Armand Sánchez Bonastre.

17.30 Conclusion of the event

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**Venue:** Sala de Juntes (door B3/0005), Facultat d'Economia i Empresa, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

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