

ARCTOS DAYS 2026



PROGRAM

February 11th - 12th
Sommarøy Arctic Hotel

WEDNESDAY, 11.02.2026

08:00	●	Leaving Tromsø	
09:30	●	Arrival Sommarøy	
10:00 - 10:10	●	Welcome	Sünnje Basedow and Eva Leu
10:10 - 10:30	●	ECR Workshop Summary	Marja Gächter
10:30 - 11:30	●	Science Talks	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renner, Angelika (IMR): BOUVECO - new project at Bouvetøya, Southern Ocean• Jorda Molina, Èric (IMR): MAREANO: Mapping the deep Norwegian Sea• Ribas-Deulofeu, Lauriane (Nord): Digitizing the past: AI-assisted insights on zooplankton from two Norwegian fjords (1983-2024)	
11:30 - 12:00	●	1-slide presentations	all members
12:00-13:30	●	Lunch Break	
13:30 - 14:30	●	Science Talks	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marquardt, Miriam (UiT): New findings of novel 18S and COI sequences of sea ice associated rotifers• Szeligowska, Marlena (UiT): Pan-Arctic traits database for phytoplankton, sea ice algae and heterotrophic protists• Randelhoff, Achim (Akvaplan-niva): Upper ocean mixing and nitrate cycling through two years in the Central Arctic	
14:30-14:45	●	1-slide presentations	all members
14:45 - 15:00	●	Coffee Break	
15:00 - 16:00	●	Science Talks	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vancoppenolle, Martin (LOCEAN): The Sea Ice Environment and Biological Processes – A Perspective on Recent Advances and Future Directions• Leu, Eva et al.: International relevant networks: BEPSII	
16:00 - 16:30	●	1-slide presentations	all members
16:30 - 16:50	●	Break (Check-In, Poster Set-Up)	
16:50 - 17:30	●	Poster Session	
17:30 - 18:30	●	Mentor Speed Dating	potential mentors & mentees
19:00 - 20:00	●	Dinner	
21:00 - 23:00	●	Mingling, Sauna & Jacuzzi	

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THURSDAY, 12.02.2026

08:00 - 09:00	●	Breakfast	
09:00 - 10:00	●	Science Talks	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Priou, Pierre (Akvaplan-niva): Active acoustics for environmental studies• Horaud, Mathilde (UiT): Unraveling population structure in Atlantic lumpfish: Implications for sustainable fisheries and aquaculture• Mau, Sofia (Nord): Can barnacle nauplii be an alternative prey to copepods for cod larvae (<i>Gadus morhua</i>)?	
10:00 - 10:45	●	Polhavet 2050 Session	Bodil Bluhm
10:45 - 11:00	●	Coffee Break	
11:00 - 12:00	●	Science Talks	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Souster, Terri (UiT): Heated Settlement panels• Descoteaux, Raphaele (UiT): Same but different: how marine planktonic communities differ between the cold east and warm west coasts of Svalbard despite a large species overlap• Eulaers, Igor (NPI): Just drawing lines on a map - towards a pan-Arctic network of conservation areas	
12:00 - 13:00	●	Lunch Break	
13:00 - 14:00	●	Summing Up & Future of ARCTOS	
14:00		Departure	
15:30		Arrival in Tromsø	

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ADDITIONAL INFO

● 1-slide presentations

all members

All ARCTOS members are requested to submit a 1-slide presentation introducing themselves and their work. Every member will get a maximum of 2 minutes to present their slide.

Please send your slide as a PDF or Powerpoint file to arctos@bfe.uit.no before the conference.

● Mentor Speed Dating

potential mentors & mentees

If you are an early career researcher interested in finding a mentor, or a senior researcher willing to share your advice and experiences with a mentee, this session is for you!

Potential mentors and mentees will have the chance to get to know each other one-on-one in short conversation rounds (3-5 minutes). After the conversation time is up, find a new mentor or mentee to talk to.

If there is a match, there will be the chance to continue your conversation over a beer or soda after the speed dating.

● Poster Session

- **Altenburger, Andreas (UiT):** GBIF Norway – the Norwegian node of the Global Biodiversity Information Facility
- **Bluhm, Bodil (UiT):** Mercury in benthic invertebrates from the Canadian Arctic
- **Coguiac, Estelle (UiT):** Monitoring mesozooplankton locomotor behaviour to explain interspecific diel vertical migration variability
- **Ershova-Menze, Elisaveta (Akvaplan-niva):** *Calanus hyperboreus* at the fringe – lessons for a changing Arctic Ocean
- **Jorda-Molina, Èric (IMR):** MAREANO grab results
- **Koenig, Zoe (UiT):** Lead dynamics in the Arctic and their impact on primary production