

A quarterly newsletter from the ArcticHubs project.

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Co-creating solutions with 22 hubs across the Arctic

All News from the ArcticHubs

Dear reader,

Welcome. This first newsletter shares insights from the '**ArcticHubs**' activities and team who tell you about major changes and project events across the 22 hubs of the project.

What is the ArcticHubs project?

The *ArcticHubs* project is an ambitious, multi-disciplinary international collaboration funded by the Horizon2020 programme. It aims to develop **research-led** and **practice-based solutions** to some of the major **challenges faced in the Arctic regions**.





The project newsletter will share with you news and reflections on the key **social, cultural and environmental issues** and the **changes affecting everyday life and experiences in the 22 hubs** and more widely across the region.

Read more about the project aims, partners and activities on the [project website](#).

INTERVIEW



Work Package 1

The aim of the first ArcticHubs work package (WP1) is to compile a **baseline analysis of national and regional policy strategy in the Arctic region**, as represented in the principal sectors of land and sea use. The research aims to build an understanding of current policy from published documents, and is complemented by interviews with significant stakeholders from the region. The package is coordinated by the **University of Lapland**, but also draws upon **research expertise from across the region** and our project partnership.

Pooling this analysis, WP1 team will be able to set the broad scene, in particular pointing forward to future influences at play, and **assessing the dominance of different elements in the diverse [hub locations](#)**.

WP1 will also conduct early testing of the project's research tools, notably

Once this data has been fully assessed, it will be available for utilisation by subsequent work packages of the project, which will conduct more detailed local research, always with the emphasis on generating solutions within a *glocal* context.

Read more about progress being made in WP1 [here](#).



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Perspectives gathered through WP1 indicate that **the sustainable underpinning of development** is insisted upon not only by local communities and consumers, but demanded as a **fundamental criterion** by influential funders and investors.

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ANNOUNCEMENT



Conferences & Events

We just had our [EU GreenWeek event!](#)

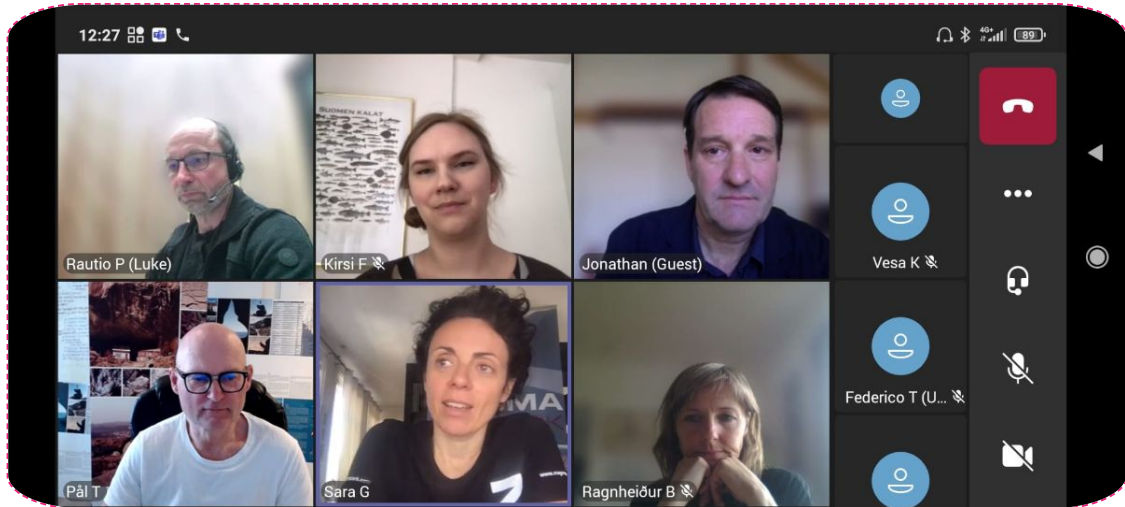
A webinar "ArcticHubs and GEOfood" organised in close collaboration with **Magma UNESCO Global Geopark**, our project partner.

The webinar pulled together experiences from two overlapping schemes, the ArcticHubs and the UNESCO Global Geoparks 'GEOfood' initiative.

The webinar was recorded, so to catch up with an edited version of the event, please keep an eye on the ArcticHubs website and social media where we will announce the uploading of that video!

Thanks to our colleagues who presented at the webinar **Rautio Pasi** for the **Natural**

Iceland, Maarit Kahila and Kirsi Forss from Maptionnaire and Vesa Krökki from Rokua GEOPark. Click here to [read more](#).



discussed ways of connecting #GEOpark and #GEOfood in Finland using local resources and responsible #landuse towards #zeropollution

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with @MAGMAGEOPARK @LukeFinlandInt
#ArcticHubs #EUGreenWeek #Arctic



News from Arctic Networks and Partner Projects



JUSTNORTH is a partner project designed to explore the multitude of ethical systems that coexist in the Arctic, as a starting point to assess the viability of new economic activities in the region. For the millions of people who live both inside and outside the Arctic and are affected by these economic activities, decisions are made through utilitarian ethical principles: viability of an activity is based on profitability and technical feasibility, with little regard to questions of whether it is ethically right or wrong for the impacted human populations or the environment. Follow JUSTNORTH developments on their [website](#).

CHARTER is a partner project funded by the European Union Horizon 2020 Programme. CHARTER grew out of a desire to better understand the processes that have been driving rapid climate and land use changes in the Arctic. The project involves 21 research institutions across 9 countries, it started in August 2020 and will run for 4 years.



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