

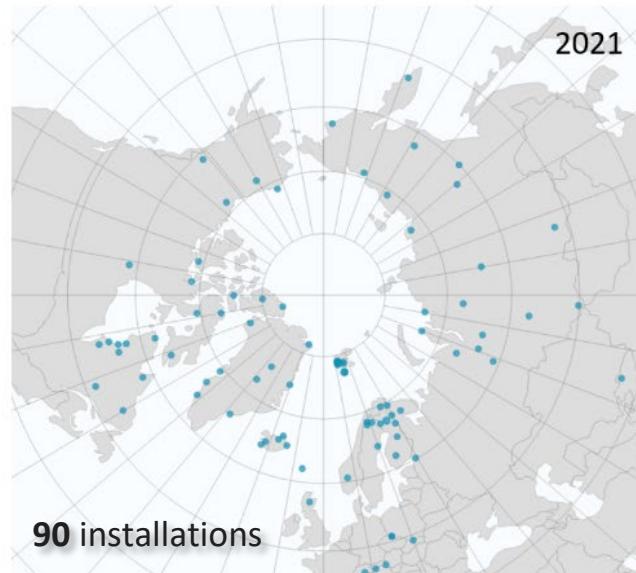


INTERACT

The International Network for Terrestrial Research and Monitoring in the Arctic

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From Scannet to INTERACT III



FIFTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME



SEVENTH FRAMEWORK
PROGRAMME



Horizon 2020
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INTERACT III in a nutshell



HORIZON 2020

EU-H2020 Infrastructures (GA 871120, 10 M€, 2020-2023)

Building capacity for monitoring, research and education throughout the Arctic and beyond

Transnational Access: support for world-class science

Station Managers' Forum: sharing best practices

International Networking: collaboration to build capacity

Joint Research Activities: extreme weather events, transport and communication, open data, improving education and awareness, documenting and reducing pollution, benefits and impacts of Arctic tourism

Outreach: sharing information and experiences



INTERACT 3 Transnational Access

6500 days offered at 39 stations



4 calls arranged



3145 days granted



99 user groups granted access



181 users at 37 stations



78 projects conducted

11 projects postponed

10 projects cancelled



Photos: Charlotte Sigsgaard, INTERACT Stations

11 Years of Access Provision

From one to three **access modalities**

Transnational Access, Remote Access, Virtual Access

From 20 to 52 (39) **research stations**

Applied: 1041 user groups and 48 500 person-days

Supported: 528 user groups and 15 500 person-days

Virtual Access – INTERACT Data Portal



DATASETS ORGANIZATIONS STATIONS COLLABORATORS TOPICS ABOUT

Interact Website

Interact Data Portal
INTER = ACT Virtual Access Single Entrypoint

Search from 1740 datasets

905 Keywords

25 Stations

26 Organizations

1.7k Datasets

Aerial view of a glacier with a climber.

Recent Datasets EXPLORE DATASETS

- Point measurements of winter mass balance of Fr...
0 recent views on 28-11-2022
Station: Sonnblick Observatory
- Point measurements of annual mass balance of Fr...
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Station: Sonnblick Observatory
- Mass balance of Freya Glacier, Greenland, in 20...
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Making data openly and freely available

26 VA providers in INTERACT III

4500 VA Users from 136 countries in 2022

Promotion to expand the user base.
Working towards improved interoperability
and user experience.

Networking and Research

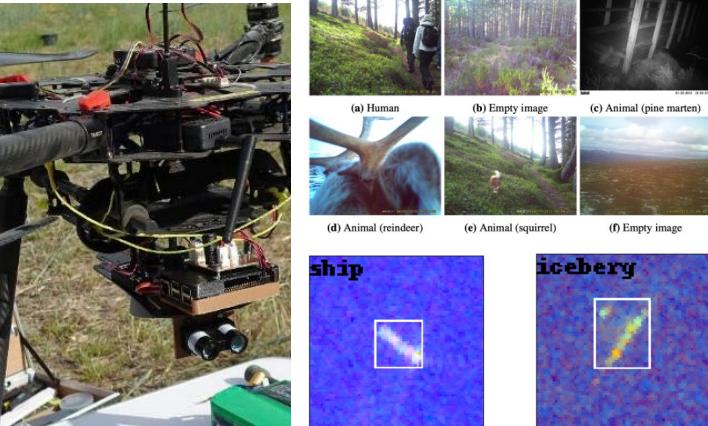
- Working towards **standardised approaches to station management and best practices** (Management planning, Risk management and safety issues, Reducing climate and environmental impacts, Science and international cooperation, etc.)
- Improving **scientists' access** (Fieldwork Planning Handbook and Practical Field Guide, Thematic guidebooks, Online tool to filter for relevant research stations, Overview of arctic permit systems)
- Providing robust **data for decision making** (e.g. improving forecasts on extreme weather events)



Research -working together

Working with the industry: AI applications in the Arctic

Machine learning to automatically classify images, Deep learning for iceberg detection using SAR (Synthetic Aperture Radar), Logbooks: Automated digitization and summarization



Working with Arctic Council's working groups

Documenting and reducing pollution with AMAP (Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme)



Working with Indigenous People

Increasing benefits and reducing impacts from developing Arctic tourism



Education, awareness and outreach



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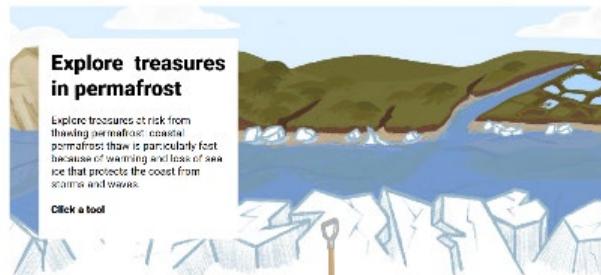
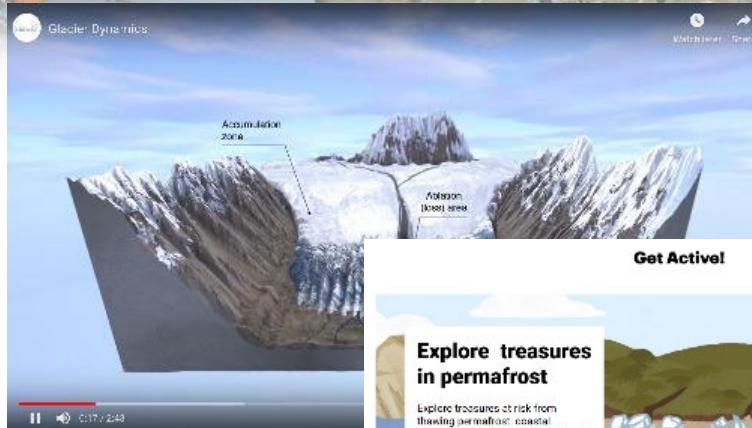
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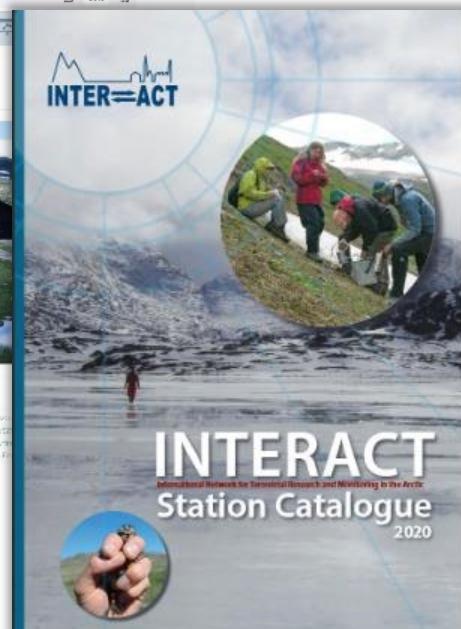
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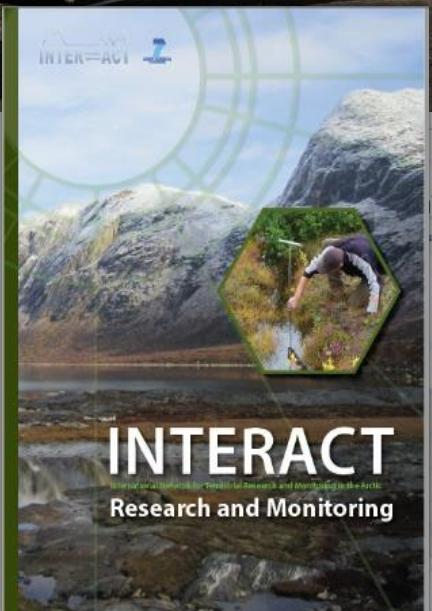
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Opening year 1906
Northern latitude 69°15'
Altitude of station 20 m a.s.l.
Distance to settlement 1 km
Annual temperature -3.2 °C
Annual precipitation 435 mm
Max number of visitors 250
Area under roof 250 m²
Disciplines studied

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INTERACT GIS

Stations Research Publications Application About

Welcome to INTERACT GIS

INTERACT GIS provides information regarding approximately 95 terrestrial field-stations situated under arctic or sub-arctic conditions, whether in the Arctic proper or at high altitudes elsewhere in the northern hemisphere. INTERACT GIS basically provides two different types of web based services, whereas one is openly providing information regarding stations and their associated landscape characteristics. Via the filtering functionality offered by INTERACT GIS, a search for stations that fulfil multiple research, educational, and/or monitoring criteria is enabled. In addition, the sheer fun of examining Arctic Field stations is provided.

The second type of web based service offered by INTERACT GIS requires an account that may be acquired under the above SIGN UP symbol. As an active arctic field-station, INTERACT GIS may be used for advanced management of station visitors, activities, and publications. An accumulating record of station activities is thereby captured, stored, and disseminated at real-time pace, providing decision support for collective planning of Arctic research, education, and/or monitoring activities.

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Trees and shrubs at the northern treeline



By Agata Kostkova, this biology from Mammalian air temperature observations over the last 20 years have shown that more species are shifting higher up the globe. Better understanding how the climate has varied in this region longer back in time and beyond the record of direct observations, we measure the ground flora of trees and shrubs.

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All good things must come to an end...



Even the most well-known plants in the Arctic are not immune to climate change. By Agata Kostkova, this biology from Mammalian air temperature observations over the last 20 years have shown that more species are shifting higher up the globe. It has been a clear change of trends with 120 warming events indicating climate change. Just as the climate warms, so do many species and collecting information and collecting data over the last 20 years, we are noticing such...

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Beaches, bugs and plastic...



The Benthic and Pelagic in Arctic (BAPA) project aims to understand the impact of climate change on the Arctic ecosystem. All Arctic seas have experienced sea level rise, which is forcing melting of icebergs. High arctic research station of Chukotka in Chukotka Bay (approximately 70°N/170°E) has been monitoring the benthic and pelagic ecosystems since 1990. We are trying to relate with the local people, who are working on...

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