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Alex J. Tate		Continued development of a data management system for the new UK polar research vessel, the RRS Sir David Attenborough	<p>The new UK polar research vessel, RRS Sir David Attenborough, is currently undergoing tests and trials before deploying to the Antarctic in late 2021. The vessel hosts a wide array of scientific instrumentation and as a marine platform will deploy a range of remotely-operated data gathering equipment, both marine and airborne. The resulting datasets are both complex and voluminous and their management and availability need to fulfil the requirements of a wide range of end users from cruise participants to global data archiving facilities.</p> <p>The UK Polar Data Centre, based at the British Antarctic Survey, is leading on the development of the scientific data management systems aboard the new vessel. Major areas of focus include; data and event logging, data visualisation and access, automated quality control routines and sensor metadata.</p> <p>The presentation will provide an update on these major focus areas as well as an up-to-date overview of the scientific instrumentation currently being commissioned on the vessel and the types of data that are now being routinely collected.</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/34_PDF_IV_oral_alex_tate.pdf	https://youku.be/kWGbrmFuhxg
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Anton Van de Putte		The SCAR Antarctic Biodiversity Portal	The SCAR Antarctic Biodiversity Portal (biodiversity.aq) is an international effort that seeks to increase our knowledge and understanding of Antarctic and Southern Ocean biodiversity. It is a community of researchers, data custodians and developers from around the world that supports the mobilisation publication, retrieval and analysis of Antarctic and Southern Ocean biodiversity data in a free and open manner in line with the Antarctic treaty and the FAIR data Principles (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable). Here we provide a general overview of the services offered through Biodiversity.aq.	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/30_PDF_4_biodiversity.aq.pdf	https://youtu.be/cvY9Llq8110
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David Arthurs	Peter Pulsifer Sandy Starkweather	Arctic Data Systems in the ROADS Process	<p>The crafting of the Sustaining Arctic Observing Networks' (SAON) Roadmap for Arctic Observing and Data Systems (ROADS) has made significant progress. It sets out a multi-phase process and governance structure for defining Shared Arctic Variables (SAV) that will provide benefits across a wide range of stakeholders and scales. However, the focus so far has been on observing systems and work remains to define the data systems portion of ROADS.</p> <p>This presentation will examine how the ROADS guiding principles the have evolved for Arctic Observing Systems might be applied to Arctic Data Systems. Elements of those principles include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> § Indigenous Peoples' equitable partnership and funding for their active participation is critical to ROADS from its inception through its implementation; § All aspects of the ROADS process should support broadly shared benefit from the observing and data systems; § The ROADS process should complement and integrate, without wasteful duplication, the current planning approaches used by existing networks (regional to global), activities and projects; § ROADS should support stepwise development through a flexible, federated and evolving structure that allows grassroots identification of themes, infrastructures and regional foci. <p>Challenges for Arctic Data Systems that will considered in this context include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> § Improving coordination among funders. § Enhancing global data communities and governance structures. § Supporting data community building, coordination, and engagement. § Ensuring long-term support for data management and curation. § Engaging with and enhancing existing activities rather than creating new initiatives. § Facilitating a change in attitude from proprietary data to data as a common good. § Improving education and training in data science. § Building on interoperable standards and ethically open and FAIR data principles. § Involving and respecting the perspective of Indigenous peoples in data 	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/45_PDF-IV-ROADS-Data-Systems.pdf	https://youtu.be/vwFNkwTXs
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Ekaterina Kim		Data Use Cases: Applying AI and Data Science Tools to Optical Images and AIS Data from the Arctic	<p>There are extreme challenges unique to the Arctic, from human activities and impacts in remote Arctic locations to Arctic data acquisition, sharing, and quality. The amount of Arctic data is growing. In fact, this growth is faster than the capacity of experts to process, adequately validate, and evaluate all uncertainties in the data. Ocean sciences and maritime industry-oriented applications in the Arctic regions can benefit from learning on previous data and from cross-disciplinary expert knowledge. Despite rapid progress in artificial intelligence (AI) and data science, AI applications to Arctic science, engineering, and technology (e.g., automated validation of remote sensing data from the Arctic, learning from past humans' activities in the ice infested waters) have received less scientific attention in comparison to the fields of finance, logistics, medicine, advertisement, etc. This worldwide trend may be attributed to the data quality, availability, and the expertise that is needed to process these data. There is a strong need to direct AI applications towards solving Arctic challenges. In this talk I would like to present two examples on how artificial intelligence can help in automated interpretation of ice imagery from ground operations (e.g., imagery from surface vessels, shore stations, in-situ campaigns) and how it can help us in learning from historical AIS data (e.g., from the Kara Sea region). Data processing algorithms underlying the presented examples have been made publicly available on GitHub (i.e., ice image classification, ice image segmentation, and AIS data processing).</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/25_PDF_IV_oral_Ekaterina_Kim.pdf	https://youtu.be/Zgo_VaUgfGw
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Giulio Verazzo	Chiara Ripa	Italian polar data archives: current state and future perspectives	<p>The National Antarctic Data Center (NADC) is the ICT infrastructure designed to gather, handle, publish and provide access to the wide amount of scientific data and metadata collected by the large research activity promoted and supported by the Italian Antarctic National Research Program (PNRA). This integrated system is organized in functional/first level nodes interconnected together with each other by means of mediation and adaptation services running on a central infrastructure (common node). International standard interfaces and metadata models, widely supported by scientific communities, were used in order to provide the best interoperability within/inside the system. This infrastructure adopts and promotes Open Science (European Commission, 2016) according to the Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, and Re-usable (FAIR) guiding principles, providing easy access to data and resources and favouring their sharing. The open source software GeoNetwork was chosen as the system for the NADC purpose. It allows the management of metadata of scientific projects concerning biology, climatology, radiation and environment that characterize the activities carried out by Italian organisations/entities in Antarctica. Metadata records are defined by the ISO19115-3 standard format and validated against the INSPIRE rules. The hierarchical structure of the metadata format allows to trace the information related to the projects in which the datasets have been collected and to correlate the various initiatives with each other. With a similar approach an infrastructure to catalogue and manage the Arctic data (IADC -Italian arctic data centre) is under development in the framework of the the Italian Arctic Research Programme (PRA), also intending to realize a repository for all activities performed in the Arctic by Italian Research groups, mainly those with a long-term observation character. Detail on the status of both infrastructures, technical choices, perspectives and future plan will be provide.</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/09_PDF_IV_oral_giulio-verrazzo-chiara-ripa.pdf	https://youtu.be/q84rgWgAUXM
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<p>Jill S. Prewitt</p>		<p>A data tool for planning, prevention, and response to international maritime incidents in the Bering Strait</p>	<p>Vessel traffic through the Bering Strait is increasing, and is expected to continue increasing as sea ice decreases and the open water season lengthens. With this increased vessel traffic comes increased risk of marine accidents and oil or other contaminant spills in the area. However, this area also has a lack of infrastructure and resources to respond to incidents of this nature, and has transboundary communication and data sharing challenges between Russian and US authorities. For example, the US Arctic Environmental Response Management Application (Arctic ERMA), the US online and field data tool that is used for both planning, prevention and response actions, is stored on US Government servers (i.e., NOAA) and not currently accessible by Russian authorities. For these reasons, there is a need for an oil spill response tool that is accessible by both US and Russian authorities in the event of an oil spill - or some other contaminant spill - in the Bering Strait area. The Bering Strait Transboundary Incident Response Tool will co-locate relevant data from the Russian and the US sides of the Bering Strait, as well as the northern Bering and southern Chukchi Seas. The final product will allow for both Russian and US authorities and scientists to access the same data and to share the same visualizations of the area within the Bering Strait region. This information is valuable not only for a potential response to an emergency event such as an oil spill, but will be useful as a public information resource to a broader group of interested parties on both sides of the EEZ, including coastal communities, conservation groups, resource managers and academic researchers.</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/40_Copy-of-oral_Prewitt.pdf</p>	<p>https://youtu.be/cwAyxPgKvHU</p>
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Kenton McHenry		Leveraging Open Source Technologies to Support Arctic Permafrost Science	<p>There is a growing need to bring together large data collections and analytics, such as those based on machine learning, to create needed derived data products from unstructured sensor data, such as satellite data, to identify characteristics of permafrost across the Arctic region such as ice-wedge polygons, thaw slumps, and coastal erosion. These derived products in turn provide researchers with another data resource which can be leveraged and or combined to study permafrost degradation and how it is tied to climate from the sub-meter to the pan-Arctic scales. To facilitate this type of science and connect the wide range of needed tools, data, and infrastructure within the scientific community we are establishing a scientific gateway, the Permafrosts Discovery Gateway (PDG), which will provide a convenient user friendly web based interface by which researchers can create, explore, and utilize this big data. The technology being leveraged to establish this gateway includes Clowder, an NSF funded open source data management framework designed for broad reuse and customizability having been used by a number of such resources across a variety of scientific domains. We will describe the Clowder framework and how the various community tools, visualizations, and infrastructure resources (e.g. computational and data/archival) are brought together within it to establish the PDG.</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/38_PDF_IV_oral_mchenry.pdf	https://youtu.be/9kepwH9Uf5fk
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<p>Maria D. Ananicheva</p>	<p>Department of glaciology of IG RAS, Moscow, Russia</p>	<p>New data on the glaciers of the Koryak Highlands: assessment of the state using satellite images and field studies</p>	<p>As a result of deciphering the Sentinel-2 images (2018 and 2019), 189 glaciers were discovered in the Koryak Highlands. The reduction in glacier areas in comparison with the USSR Glacier Inventory (late 1960s) varies widely from 20 to 74%. The error of glacier size determent from space images was estimated basing on ground-based survey of glaciers from a drone (UAV) during the expedition in September 2020. Contemporary glaciers of the Highlands are mainly corrie glaciers of the northern, NE and NW aspects. The change of equilibrium line altitude in the glacier groups within the river basins, identified in the Glacier Inventory for this area, vary from a minimum rise of several tens of meters to maximum values of 400-500 m. Spatial patterns of trends in mean summer and annual temperatures, total precipitation and precipitation for the cold period from 1966 to 2019 were compiled: the values of temperature trends increase towards the Kamchatka Peninsula, and precipitation trends - from the continent to the coastal zone. The obtained ratios of these trends with the degree of glacial groups reduction makes it possible to link the trends of the regional climate with the glacial systems' change that is the basis for predicting the reduction of glaciers for a period of several decades.</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/27_Maria-Ananicheva.pdf</p>	
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Masaki Kanao		Data and metadata sharing for polar sciences as the NADC in Japan	<p>The Polar Environmental Data Science Center (PEDSC) of the Joint Support-Center for Data Science Research (DS), the Research Organization of Information and Systems (ROIS) has a responsibility to manage and publish the data involving Japanese research activities as one of a National Antarctic Data Center (NADC). The data policy of PEDSC was established in February 2007, based on the requirements of the Standing Committee on Antarctic Data Management (SCADM) of the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR). At the International Polar Year (IPY2007-2008), a significant number of multi-disciplinary data have been compiled. These collected data/metadata have a tight collaboration with the Global Change Master Directory (GCMD), the Polar Information Commons (PIC), as well as several data centers belonging to the World Data System (WDS). In terms of data activities in polar communities of the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR) and the International Arctic Science Committee (IASC), tighter linkages of data/metadata sharing within the Asian Forum for Polar Sciences (AFoPS) countries has been discussed and should be further promoted by the involved Asian countries, in particular China, India, South Korea, Malaysia and Japan. In this presentation, a decade of history of polar data management is demonstrated, in particular focusing on data/metadata sharing, international collaboration among global data bodies and initiatives, data publication and citation, as well as data journal issues (Polar Data Journal).</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/01_PDF-IV-2021.Orgal_Masaki-Kanao.pdf	https://youtu.be/5ozbDURABI
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Mikkel H. Bojesen		Closing the gap of navigational risk in unchartered Arctic waters with novel satellite-based data products	<p>Maritime activity across the Arctic is increasing alongside an increased economic activity and geopolitical awareness in the region.</p> <p>In this context, supporting safety at sea, safeguarding national sovereignty, and offering logistical support to the civil society, efficient naval and first responding capacities are being important as ever before across Arctic societies. But arctic maritime operations, are associated with high level of navigational risk due to missing or inaccurate nautical information and vast areas are still left uncharted. Consequently, each year the harsh Arctic environment claims its victims.</p> <p>In situations of distress, first responders must very often search enormous areas with little opportunity for efficiently identifying the exact location of those in need, since means of communication is very limited, outside the populated areas.</p> <p>In this presentation we showcase examples of how co-production between navies and industry research can bring about satellite-based decision support for both efficient object identification and navigational risk-minimization in terms of mapping of submerged rocks, intertidal zones and precise delineation of coast lines. This data production relies on recent developments within application of multi-temporal bathymetric retrieval models and high resolution Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) imagery. Demonstration work in Greenland is presented together with a discussion on future applications across the Arctic.</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/23_DHI GRAS MaritimeSituationalAwareness_PolarDataForum.pdf	https://youtu.be/Vc8L3eZypDg
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<p>Noor Johnson</p>	<p>Dr. Matthew Druckenmiller, he/him, National Snow and Ice Data Center, University of Colorado Boulder</p> <p>Prof. Peter Pulsifer, he/him, Carleton University</p>	<p>Looking back, looking ahead: The ELOKA Program at 15 years</p>	<p>The Exchange for Local Observations and Knowledge of the Arctic (ELOKA) partners with Indigenous organizations and researchers to facilitate the collection, preservation, exchange, and use of Indigenous Knowledge and community-based observations. ELOKA was initiated in 2006/2007 during the International Polar Year to address a gap in resources and support for data management focusing on Indigenous Knowledge and Arctic community data. Since then, Arctic research has undergone a period of significant change, with a growing emphasis on community-led research and co-production of knowledge. Fifteen years since its founding, ELOKA is beginning a new five-year period of collaborative work with new and existing partners from across the Arctic funded by the National Science Foundation. This presentation will summarize ELOKA's progress and challenges over the past fifteen years, situating them in the larger context of a changing research environment. We will share an overview of the ELOKA community data management (CDM) system and protocol as well as plans for the next phase of ELOKA's work focusing on understanding and enhancing the use and usability of CDM infrastructures. This includes co-developing use cases of specific data products with partners, convening two thematic working groups to exchange approaches and ideas, and collaborative development of a use and usability framework for community data management. ELOKA's collaborative effort to develop a usability framework will broadly consider how cross-cultural sharing, storytelling, data sovereignty protocols, and capacity building may strengthen the use and dissemination of community data.</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/32_Johnson-PDF-ELOKA.pdf</p>	<p>https://youtu.be/b6q2xC0tZPQ</p>
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Paul Arthur Berkman		Arctic Sustainability and the Satellite Record of Maritime Ship Traffic	<p>The oldest continuous satellite record of maritime ship traffic north of the Arctic Circle will be discussed with implications for sustainable development in the Arctic Ocean. The satellite Automatic Identification System (AIS) big-data are being analyzed with extreme speed and cost-effectiveness in the cloud, applying 'space-time cube' methodologies. As a case study, emphasis of this oral presentation will be on global precedents that are being established with the "precautionary approach" that is entering into force for Arctic and non-Arctic States with the Agreement to Prevent Unregulated Commercial Fishing on the High Seas of the Central Arctic Ocean.</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/37_Paul-Arthur-Berkman_Polar-Data-Forum-IV_19SEP21.pdf	https://youtu.be/tLTQDJjIgfY
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Peter L. Pulsifer	The CCADI Technical and Management Teams	Towards an Ecosystem of Interoperable Data Infrastructures: contributions from the Canadian Consortium for Arctic Data Interoperability	<p>Polar data are required by the Arctic community to support research on a wide variety of topics and domains (physical, social, economic, etc.). Mobilizing and maximizing the value of Arctic data requires data infrastructures that can serve and mediate data for a wide range of different users and applications. Developing useful and usable infrastructures requires attention to system design and emergence at many different levels: foundational data storage, management, and preservation; methods and technologies for transforming and mediating data; representation and portrayal for different audiences; use of emerging technologies such as online platforms, machine learning, semantics, and natural language processing; ensuring respectful and ethical use of data and infrastructure. In this paper, we present a review and analysis of selected activities and experiences of the international Arctic and polar data communities, primarily through the activities of the Arctic Data Committee, but including partnered initiatives with the Antarctic and broader global data communities. More specific examples and conclusions are drawn from the work of the Canadian Consortium on Arctic Data Interoperability and its partners. From these experiences, we share a number of lessons learned and discuss future directions.</p>	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/06_PDF_IV_oral_pulsifer.pdf	https://youtu.be/sFBLvNIIFbA
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<p>Petra ten Hoopen</p>	<p>UK Polar Data Centre</p>	<p>Polar biodiversity data: from a national marine platform to a global data portal.</p>	<p>Global access to accurate biodiversity data is a prerequisite to our progress in understanding biodiversity dynamics in an ecosystem. Despite recent major advancement in sharing data on the world's species, there are still many challenges. One of them relates to the mechanics of guiding data systematically from its provenance to end users. This is not surprising considering that behind every species occurrence data point in a global biodiversity data portal lies a huge effort. It takes years to orchestrate a successful sampling campaign and requires significant resources to manage samples obtained in often extreme remote conditions and to secure preservation of and access to the acquired data.</p> <p>Here we briefly describe biodiversity data flow from a polar ship to a national data repository and to a global data portal and highlight few crucial points in this process which aims to systematically share information pieces into the mosaic of our polar species biodiversity knowledge.</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/26_PDF_IV_oral_ukpdc_tenHoop_en.pdf</p>	<p>https://youtu.be/CPLBzcxW3U</p>
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<p>Pip Bricher</p>	<p>Mr. Keeble, Simon He/him Blue Lobster</p> <p>Dr. Badhe, Renuka She/her European Polar Board</p>	<p>Who's going where and how? What can they do when they get there? Towards an integrated database for polar research logistics and infrastructures</p>	<p>As polar research and observing systems come of age, there is increasing interest in sharing information about logistical resources, which in turn makes it possible for the resources themselves to be shared across institutions and nations, facilitating multi-agency collaboration.</p> <p>In contrast with the extensive efforts that have been made to align metadata standards for discovering scientific datasets, attempts to standardise the way logistical resources and infrastructures are documented are in their infancy.</p> <p>A new collaboration between the Southern Ocean Observing System (SOOS) and the European Polar Board (EPB) is a prime example of the challenges inherent in aligning these infrastructure and logistics databases to maximise their use and share resources.</p> <p>DueSouth, SOOS' database of upcoming expeditions to the Southern Ocean, holds information about planned expeditions by Antarctic and oceanographic researchers, as well as fishing and tourist vessels. However, it holds very little information about the vessels, aircraft, and research stations associated with those expeditions, and has struggled to collate information about the projects associated with them. Meanwhile, the European Polar Board's infrastructure database, developed collaboratively with EU-PolarNet, INTERACT, EuroFleets, COMNAP, SIOS and others, contains detailed information about European Arctic and Antarctic research stations, vessels, aircraft and other assets and facilities. The EPB recently agreed to host DueSouth for SOOS, which will provides an opportunity to integrate the databases and align core fields. The combination of the databases in a modern, cloud-based, serverless technology provides high availability and high performance, with a scalable platform to be made available to the polar communities. This facilitates easy access to search and discovery of expedition, logistics and infrastructure resources, maximising use and collaboration.</p> <p>In this presentation, we will discuss the challenges and lessons learned so far in integrating these databases, our engagement with similar efforts from</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/35_PDF_IV_oral_bricher_whosgoingwhere.pdf</p>	<p>https://youtu.be/8Uirii5rzU0</p>
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<p>Rebekah R. Ingram</p>		<p>Linking attributes, linking systems: advancing knowledge translation in the Canadian Consortium for Arctic Data Interoperability</p>	<p>The Canadian Consortium for Arctic Data Interoperability (CCADI) aims to develop a research data infrastructure that facilitates information discovery, promotes the sharing of standards, and enables interoperability among existing Arctic data infrastructures at universities and institutions across Canada. To achieve the goal of interoperability, several issues regarding semantics and terminology must be considered. These include: the wide variety of data pertaining to the Arctic, ranging from climate and forecasting data and cryosphere and oceanographic data to social science data centring upon Inuit experiences of the landscape; the differences in terminological use between different data centres and institutional repositories; differences in the use and type of instrumentation; and the framework used for metadata cataloguing.</p> <p>This paper outlines our semantic strategies for the CCADI project. Through interaction with other organizations working with Arctic Data such as Arctic Data Committee-Sustaining Arctic Observing Networks (ADC-SAON), Polar Data Discovery Enhancement Research (POLDER) Working Group, and Earth Science Information Partners (ESIP), we focus on aligning ourselves with and leveraging work already in progress with respect to new and emerging standards and their vocabularies. Close collaboration with domain experts also helps us maintain balance between terminology that is too narrow and too broad while capturing the relationships between different groups' terms without overly restricting them. Through a discussion of these issues and the steps taken to resolve them, we seek to document and share a usable workflow as an available roadmap for others working toward semantic interoperability in data-based initiatives.</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/17_PDF_IV_oral_Ingram.pdf</p>	<p>https://youtu.be/DWpXjTrpwIY</p>
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<p>Rob E. Jennings</p>		<p>Digital Antarctica – A FAIR approach to Australian Antarctic research data</p>	<p>The Digital Antarctica project is an initiative under the Australian Antarctic Program Partnership that aims to increase the FAIRness of the collaborating partners, with a specific focus on interoperability. The initiative was based on recommendations coming out of the Clarke review of the Australian Antarctic Science Program, which called for a federated data architecture to facilitate a world-class centre for Antarctic data analytics.</p> <p>The Australian Antarctic Program Partnership consists of predominantly science-focussed organisations performing research across the Antarctic and Southern Ocean regions. Each organisation collects and serves data to meet the unique focus and purpose of the organisation and its data users.</p> <p>Because of the disparate nature of the organisations and their needs, there is no definitive and simple way to find and integrate Australian Antarctic data. Any researcher or policy maker looking for Australian Antarctic data must first know where to look.</p> <p>The Digital Antarctica project is addressing this by: working with the partnership organisations to define agreed standards of data storage, data delivery, and interoperable services; assisting organisations in implementing those standards; and constructing a prototype to demonstrate how those services and standards can be used to create a federated data model to help find, access, and integrate Australian Antarctic research data.</p> <p>This presentation will delve into what makes Digital Antarctica unique. It will also cover how we have addressed the challenges which arise from working closely with stakeholders from a small but diverse group of partner organisations, including: agreement on various aspects of the initiative (for example, terms, scope, goals, and standards); engaging with organisations of varying sizes; and finding approaches that suit a wide range of data levels, data types and breadth of data offerings.</p>	<p>https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/02_PDF_IV_oral_Jennings.pdf</p>	<p>https://youtu.be/A4Y6_zdy4VM</p>
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Sandy Starkweather	Mr. Jan Rene Larsen he/him AMAP Secretariat, Tromso, Norway	Linking many centers – Progress on defining and engaging around Sustaining Arctic Observing Network’s Roadmap for Arctic Observing and Data Systems (SAON-ROADS)	SAON-ROADS has matured as a concept since it was formally introduced to the 2020 Arctic Observing Summit (AOS 2020) as a framework for planning, partnership development and integration of the needed enhancements to the future Arctic observing and data infrastructures. AOS 2020, with its 350 attendees from 28 countries, provided valuable opportunities to dialog about the planning and partnership constructs, including assessment strategies organized around societal benefit, planning mechanisms organized around essential variables and governance for an integrated advisory/expert process. A subsequent series of SAON-led governance discussions have enhanced our understanding of how SAON will use ROADS to draw together its diverse network of partners into a coherent structure of advising and subject matter experts to develop recommendations. Collectively, these partners have turned to SAON to guide Arctic observing and data system development, yet it is important to recognize that SAON’s ability to influence partner actions through collaborative governance is non-hierarchical and therefore constrained. Ostrom (2010) would describe the SAON governance model as polycentric; as the name implies this describes governance systems through which multiple centers of authority are working toward a common goal. This talk will present the role of polycentric concepts in informing the shape of the planning tools and governance constructs within the ROADS process and provide updates and status on the process itself, including how the data community might already begin to engage.	https://polar-data-forum.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/39_Sandy-Starkweather.pdf	https://youtu.be/bAcOg73iNuk
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