

### SIOS at Arctic Frontier 2019

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Poll results



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Background (1/2)



### In what capacity are you attending Arctic Frontiers?

(1/2)

Researcher - natural science

36 %

Researcher - social science

9 %

Government

27 %

NGO

0 %

Indigenous Arctic community



Background (1/2)



### In what capacity are you attending Arctic Frontiers?

(2/2)

Industry

9 %

Other



### Background (2/2)

### If other, please specify:

Funding agency



Interest (1/2)



### What is your main interest in the Arctic? (1/2)

Research

60 %

Monitoring

10 %

**Politics** 

10 %

Tourism

0 %

Shipping or other transport



Interest (1/2)



### What is your main interest in the Arctic? (2/2)

Industry



0 %

Other





## Do you consider innovation (e.g. use of new technology and monitoring strategies) important in research in vulnerable Arctic areas?



Yes

91 %

No

0 %

I don't know



Promotion (1/2)



# What are the most important reasons to promote innovation in the Arctic (multiple choices possible)? (1/2)

Better data 83 % Smaller environmental footprint (including lower emissions) Cheaper 25 % Better spatial coverage 58 % Sustainability 33 %



Promotion (1/2)



# What are the most important reasons to promote innovation in the Arctic (multiple choices possible)? (2/2)

None

0 %

I don't know

0 %

Other



#### Promotion (2/2)

### If other, please specify:



To help people.



Barriers (1/2)



# What, if any, are the barriers to introducing new technology into science in Svalbard (multiple choices possible)? (1/2)

Environmental regulations **Environmental conditions** Costs 69 % Lack of suitable technology Lack of infrastructure 38 %



Barriers (1/2)



# What, if any, are the barriers to introducing new technology into science in Svalbard (multiple choices possible)? (2/2)

Resistance to or suspicion towards new technology

31 %

There are no barriers except in your mind

8 %

I don't know

0 %

Other



#### Barriers (2/2)

### If other, please specify:



- Risk
- Underestimate how difficult it can be
- Assuming that innovation =
  technology only, and so
  forgetting about the people
  and social innovation.



**Opportunities (1/2)** 



What are the conditions that create opportunities for using new technology in science in Svalbard (multiple answers possible)?

**Tourism** 

(1/2)

8 %

Engaged local population and visitors

33 %

Existing good infrastructure, e.g. high bandwidth broadband

50 %

Well established international and multidisciplinary research community



**Opportunities (1/2)** 



What are the conditions that create opportunities for using new technology in science in Svalbard (multiple answers possible)?

(2/2)

Other





#### **Opportunities (2/2)**

### If other, please specify:



- Poor communication infrastructure
- Funding and education



### Which research topics in Svalbard have the greatest potential to make better use of technology (multiple answers possible)?

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- Natural science in general.
  Climate Research, safety,
- Tourists save)
- Do science activities and application of technology support, hinder, or be neutral with respect to peace, conflict, and diplomacy?
- SAR
- Biology, oceanography
- Oceanography
- Sea ice
- Glaciology Mammal behaviours
  Chemical oceanography

- Glaciology, ecology,
- Cryoscience, biology, geophysics
- Understanding peopletechnology interactions to create safer, healthier, and more engaged communities.



### Which specific technologies could SIOS use to improve research in Svalbard (multiple answers possible)?



- Remote sensing
- Machine learning
- Although Svalbard does not have indigenous peoples, could indigenous technologies from elsewhere around the Arctic be applied in Svalbard to support research?
- Artificial intelligence proposal writing machine
- IOT
- Better databases and software infrastructure for data sharing and collection



**Survey (1/2)** 



## What is most important when developing an Arctic observing system (multiple choices possible)? (1/2)

Increasing the spatial coverage of observations

58 %

Increasing the integration of observations at existing sites

50 %

Increasing the number observations at existing sites

8 %

Making better use of remotely operated monitoring techniques



**Survey (1/2)** 



# What is most important when developing an Arctic observing system (multiple choices possible)? (2/2)

Coupling measurements on the micro and meso scale with remote sensing data on the macro scale

50 %

Other



#### **Survey (2/2)**

#### If other, please specify:



- Identifying absolutely key sites where there is currently no observational capacity
- Balancing free, open access to all data with the understanding that all data need to be processed and interpreted before being applied and used for analysis.
- Coupling with models
- Ensuring that long term
  measurements are continued
  and coordinated



### In one word, describe the most important aspect of innovation in science



imagination integration people

### creativity

future utility courage efficiency coordinatio