

High Altitudes meet High Latitudes:

# Globalizing Polar Issues

September 11-12, 2017

Switzerland,  
Crans-Montana

Climate change has global causes and effects. This conference addresses growing challenges and their consequences for fragile environments both in the high latitudes and high altitudes, focusing on the polar regions and the Alps. It brings together researchers from natural and social sciences to facilitate dialogue among experts with the aim of comparing observations from these regions, tracing causal chains, and connecting the global and local scales of analysis. Problem-based issues such as biodiversity, urbanization, permafrost, health and risk management, structure the conference workshops. The conference's emphasis on links between local and global processes, as well as its interdisciplinary approach, also enable the promotion of academic and public awareness on the climate change mechanisms impacting familiar and distant locations.



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## Participants

- **Jean Jouzel**, former vice-président of IPCC, Nobel Price for Peace 2007, gold medal of CNRS - France
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- **Martin Beniston**, University of Geneva - Switzerland
- **John Pomeroy**, University of Saskatchewan - Canada
- **Erika Coppola**, The Abdus Salam International Centre for Theoretical Physics - Italy
- **Laxmi Sushama**, Université du Québec - Canada
- **Vera Slaveykova, University of Geneva** - Switzerland
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- **Arja Rautio**, University of Oulu - Finland
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- **Konrad Steffen**, Swiss Federal Institute for Forest, Snow and Landscape Research WSL - Switzerland
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- **Michiel van den Broeke**, Utrecht University - Netherlands
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- **Rafel Simó**, Spanish National Research Council - Spain
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- **Tuija Turunen**, University of Lapland - Finland
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... and many more

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## Public

- 110 early scientists
- Call for Abstracts: 40 early scientists will be invited for a 120 seconds oral presentation
- For more information, visit our website:  
<http://polar.epfl.ch>

## Programme

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### 8 Workshops about:

- Water Resources
- Focus on Chemical Pollution
- Tourism
- Paleogeography and Climate Change
- Evolution of Permafrost
- Ecology
- Ice and Snow
- Antarctic Circumnavigation Expedition

### 4 Round Tables about:

- Security and Risk Management
- Arctic Resources
- Infrastructures
- Awareness

September 13

### Scientific Excursion