

Calotte Academy 2021 - 30 Years of Academic Discussions in Inari

First Announcement & Tentative Call for 2021 Calotte Academy

Despite the difficult and turbulent times of a global crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, when international contacts are declined and in-person meetings limited, we aim to organize the 2021 Calotte Academy – in particular the Inari sessions – with high expertise and profile. Thereby we utilise the 30 years anniversary of the Calotte Academy as a travelling symposium and method, as well as a forerunner for implementing the interplay between science, politics and business.

The 2021 Academy, with the title *New and Emerging Trends of Arctic Governance, Geopolitics, Geoeconomics, and Science*, is planned to take place in June 6-13, 2021 (if the pandemic allows) including sessions in Rovaniemi, Enontekiö and Inari, Finland / Sapmi and in Kautokeino, Kirkenes and Neiden, Norway / Sapmi.

The Inari sessions will consist of the main event of the 2021 Calotte Academy, including an opening session (with guests & greetings), 2-3 theme sessions (e.g. “Inari in the global Arctic and post-Covid-19 world”, “30 Years of Arctic Environmental Protection Strategy”) with experts from different fields and early-career scientists, gala dinner, excursions, music, films, etc.. There is also a plan to publish *Selected Articles of Calotte Academy*, as a part of the Arctic Yearbook 2021, including scholarly articles and reports & pictures of previous academies (1991-2019), as well as on the history of the Academy.

The 1st Calotte Academy, with the title *Security and Sustainable Development*, was organized 23-24 May 1991 in Inari (Arctic Environmental Protection Strategy was signed at the first ministerial meeting of the Arctic states in June 13-14, 1991 in Rovaniemi). It was a conscious decision by the co-founders of the Academy, Prof. Lassi Heininen and Prof. Jyrki Kähkönen to go beyond cities & centres and organize a scientific workshop in a northern periphery with close connection to the local population and nature. The Academy has been organized annually since then making it an important part of the modern international Arctic cooperation, and one of the oldest running academic institutions in the Arctic region. Among the organizers have been / are Inari Municipality, Saami Educational Institute (SAKK), Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Lapland, INAR at University of Helsinki (in Finland); Barents Institute at UiT The Arctic University of Norway and International Center for Reindeer Herding Husbandry (EALAT) (in Norway); Lulin Institute for Economic Studies of RAS at Kola Science Center (in Russia); and Uarctic Thematic Network on Geopolitics and Security.

As born and raised in Inari, and acted as Inari’s special higher education component, the Calotte Academy is a perfect example of a ‘Global-Local’ interference, which is much emphasized but – so far – not often implemented in the globalized Arctic.

This is call for papers for established researchers, early-career scientists (ECS), particularly PhD candidates and post-docs, and other experts with different academic and/or knowledge backgrounds to participate and present their work in the 2021 Calotte Academy. You may participate in the whole route, or in sessions of Inari, as the main event.

The participants of the previous Academies (from 1991-2019) will be invited to attend to the Inari sessions, as well as representatives of relevant international, pan-arctic, national, regional and local institutions. Invitation letters will be sent in beginning of 2021.

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