

# The 3<sup>rd</sup> Arctic Science Ministerial

## First Briefing Meeting



19<sup>th</sup> September 2019



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Ministry of Education,  
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# The Changing Arctic

- Changes in the Arctic ecosystems and the resulting impacts locally and globally have been severely felt.
- The Arctic is warming at a rate of nearly double the global average.
- ***It is necessary to strengthen scientific cooperation and collaboration among both Arctic and non-Arctic States in order to develop our understanding of the rapid changes impacting the Arctic.***



# Arctic Science Ministerial in Washington(ASM1)

- First-ever Arctic Science Ministerial, held in Washington DC on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016



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# The ASM1 was organized around four themes:

1. Identifying Arctic Science Challenges and their Regional and Global Implications
2. Strengthening and Integrating Arctic Observations and Data Sharing
3. Applying Expanded Scientific Understanding of the Arctic to Build Regional Resilience and Shape Global Responses
4. Empowering Citizens through Science Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics(STEM) Education Leveraging Arctic Science





# Arctic Science Ministerial in Berlin(ASM2)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Arctic Science Ministerial, held in Berlin on 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018



# The ASM2 was organized around three themes:

1. Strengthening, Integrating and Sustaining Arctic Observations, Facilitating Access to Arctic Data, and Sharing Arctic Research Infrastructure
2. Understanding Regional and Global Dynamics of Arctic Changes
3. Assessing Vulnerability and Building Resilience of Arctic Environments and Societies



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# Plans for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Arctic Science Ministerial (ASM3)

- Co-hosted by the Republic of Iceland and Japan in Tokyo on 21<sup>st</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020.
- A vital element of ASM3 is the development of education and capacity building for future generations, with an emphasis both on scientific and local knowledge in Arctic and non-Arctic States.



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# ASM3 - Structure and Timeline (tentative)

## Structure:

ASM3 will include:

- Arctic Science Fair (TBD);
- A networking reception;
- The Ministerial Meeting with the release of a Joint Statement.

## Timeline:

- Public Announcement at the Arctic Circle Assembly: October 2019;
- ASM preparations, including further briefings and teleconferences;
- Arctic Science Fair (TBD) & Reception
  - > **21<sup>st</sup> November 2020**
- Ministerial Meeting:
  - > **22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020**



# Arctic Circle: Handover from ASM2 to ASM3

- Official Handover from ASM2 to ASM3 will be held at the Arctic Circle Assembly in Reykjavík, Iceland on Thursday the 10<sup>th</sup> of October, 2019.
- The 2019 Arctic Circle Assembly has attracted more speakers and guests than ever before.
- The official website for ASM3 will be launched by Minister Lilja Alfreðsdóttir during the Assembly.



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# Arctic Science to Policy

- **One of the goal of ASM3 is to connect scientists and policy makers.** To do this, we plan to engage scientists at the following Arctic Science meetings in 2020:
  - The 6<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Arctic Research (ISAR-6) on 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> March in Tokyo, Japan;
  - The Arctic Observing Summit 2020 (AOS2020), and the Arctic Science Summit Week (ASSW2020) both on 27<sup>th</sup> March - 2<sup>nd</sup> April in Akureyri, Iceland;
  - The 10<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Arctic Social Sciences (ICASS X) on 15<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> June in Arkhangelsk, Russia



# Arctic Meetings in Japan 2020

- **For your information, the following meetings are planned to occur in Japan in conjunction with the timing of ASM3**
  - The Arctic Circle Japan Forum;
  - Polar Law Symposium in Kobe.



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