Thematic Network on Arctic Cultures and History,

hosted by University of Faroe Islands, Faroe Islands

Lead: Bergur Djurhuus Hansen

Activities 2023

Events:

- Session dedicated to Paul Gaimard and La Recherche during the Annual Humanities Conference of the University of Iceland https://www.uarctic.org/news/2023/4/discussion-on-paul-gaimard-and-his-expeditions-at-the-annual-humanities-conference/
- International workshop in cooperation with the Sámi Education Institute entitled "Reindeer stories". The workshop consisted in a staging an open dialogue about the history of and present issues in Sápmi. https://www.uarctic.org/news/2023/8/international-workshop-reindeer-stories-held-in-inari-finland/
- Jan Borm, professor, lecture: "The story of the Franklin expedition through the British eye". Alliance Française in Reykjavík. https://miarctic.org/news/the-story-of-the-franklin-expedition-through-the-british-eye-a-lecture-by-prof-jan-borm-in-reykjavik

Research:

- Alexandre Delangle has been awarded a Fulbright grant to pursue research for his thesis at Dartmouth within the Institute of Arctic Studies/John Sloan Dickey Center for International Understanding. https://miarctic.org/news/alexandre-delangle-miarc-receives-fulbright-grant

Publication:

- Editing/preparing a volume of conference papers to be published by Brill. Due to be out in 2024, focusing on travel writings, culture and art related to the Far North and Arctic. https://brill.com/page/arch/forthcoming-series-arctic-humanities

Outreach:

- Bergur Djurhuus Hansen, keynote speaker at the 16th Polar law Symposium. Title of lecture: Thar Arctic Imagined.
- Seminar "Latvia in the Arctic II", Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Latvia, Dec 14, 2023 : Professor Jan Borm, representing the Malaurie Institute of Arctic Research – Monaco-UVSQ in France, introduced the audience to long-term studies in the field of climate change and the offer of Arctic studies at the institute

- UArctic video interview with TN lead Bergur Djurhuus Hansen: https://vimeo.com/904432617

Planned and conducted activities 2024

- The 10th Gateway to the Arctic workshop held in Iceland in February. Joanna Kodzik and Sumarlidi Ísleifsson participated in/chaired a session on the history of Arctic food (10th Franco-German workshop "Gateway to the Arctic", organised by MIARC and AWI, held at Sudernes Science and Learning Centre, Iceland, February 5-9, 2024) - https://miarctic.org/news/10th-workshop-gateway-to-the-arctic-held-at-sudernes-science-and-learning-center-iceland

- Joanna Kodzik organises a conference at Nicolas Copernicus University in Torun, May 9-10, 2024, on the reception of Arctic knowledge in central and Eastern Europe, 17th-19th century, https://miarctic.org/images/events/2023/Event_Conference_reception_of_Arctic_knowledge_in_Eastern_Europe.pdf

- Session at the UArctic congress in Bodø 29 May – 3 June on “Cultural presentations in the Arctic: Exploration in the past and present, Iceland, Greenland and Northern Scandinavia".

- Participation and presentation by Bergur Djurhuus Hansen at the conference on Changing Arctic 13-14 March at the University of Copenhagen/Royal Danish Library, https://science.ku.dk/english/calendar/the-changing-arctic/

- Public lecture by Bergur Djurhuus Hansen at Scandinavia House, New York, 16 April, on changing perceptions of the North and Arctic discussed from a Faroese perspective, https://www.scandinaviahouse.org/event/the-faroe-islands-the-arctification-of-the-north/

- Book publication from a seminar i Eutin, Germany: https://www.uarctic.org/news/2024/3/new-publication-representations-of-the-west-nordic-isles-greenland-iceland-faroe-islands/