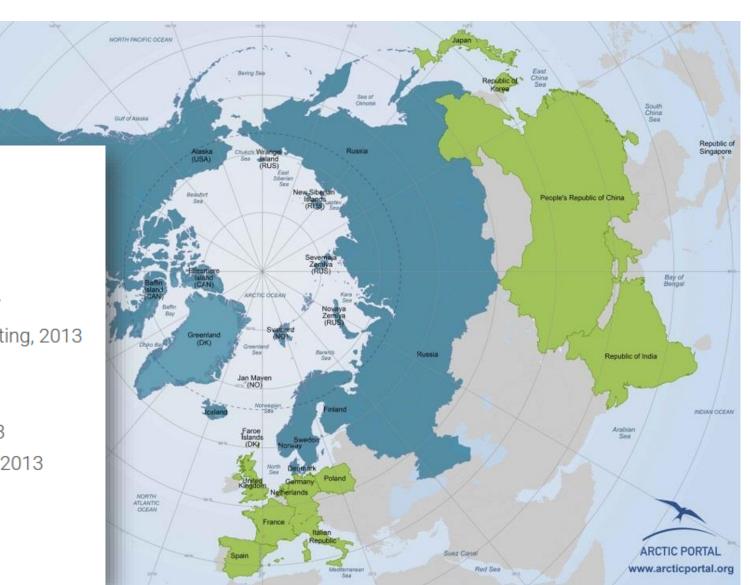
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# 13 non-Arctic states as "Arctic Council Observers"

- 1. **France** Barrow Ministerial meeting, 2000
- 2. Germany Iqaluit Ministerial meeting, 1998\*
- 3. Italian Republic Kiruna Ministerial meeting, 2013
- 4. **Japan** Kiruna Ministerial meeting, 2013\*
- 5. **The Netherlands** Iqaluit Ministerial meeting, 1998\*
- 6. People's Republic of China Kiruna Ministerial meeting, 2013
- 7. **Poland** Iqaluit Ministerial meeting, 1998\*
- 8. **Republic of India** Kiruna Ministerial meeting, 2013
- 9. Republic of Korea Kiruna Ministerial meeting, 2013
- 10. Republic of Singapore Kiruna Ministerial meeting, 2013
- 11. Spain Salekhard Ministerial meeting, 2006
- 12. Switzerland Fairbanks Ministerial meeting, 2017
- 13. United Kingdom Iqaluit Ministerial meeting, 1998\*



# 15 non-Arctic states as IASC members (23)



- 1. Austria
- 2. China
- 3. Czech Republic
- 4. France
- 5. Germany
- 6. India
- 7. Italy
- 8. Japan
- 9. The Netherlands
- 10. Poland
- 11. Portugal
- 12. Republic of Korea
- 13. Spain
- 14. Switzerland
- 15. United Kingdom



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# 19 non-Arctic states at Arctic Science Ministerials

Australia\*
 The Netherlands,

2. Austria 13. New Zealand\*

3. Belgium 14. Poland,

4. China 15. Portugal,

5. <u>Czech Republic\*</u> 16. Singapore,

6. France 17. Spain,

7. Germany 18. Switzerland

8. <u>India\*</u> 19.UK

9. Italy

10. Japan, \* - not signed Joint

11. Republic of Korea, Statement in 2018





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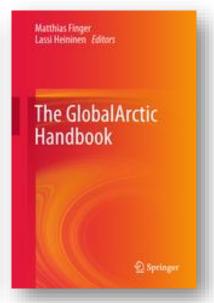
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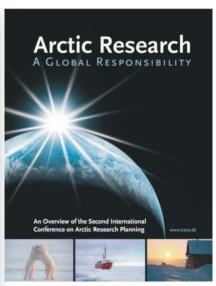
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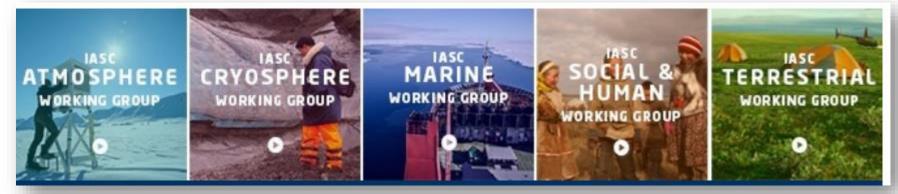
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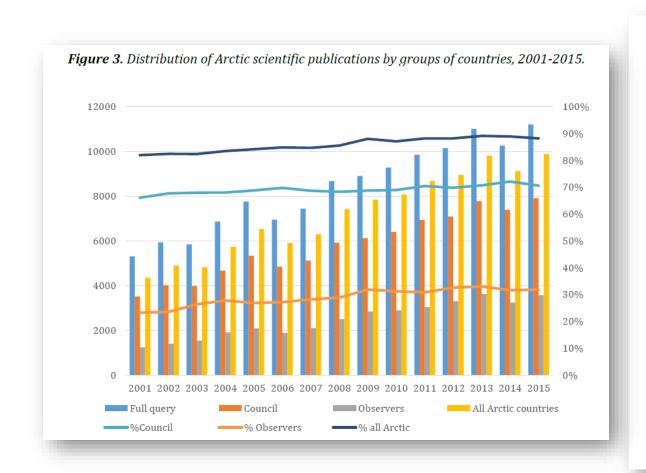


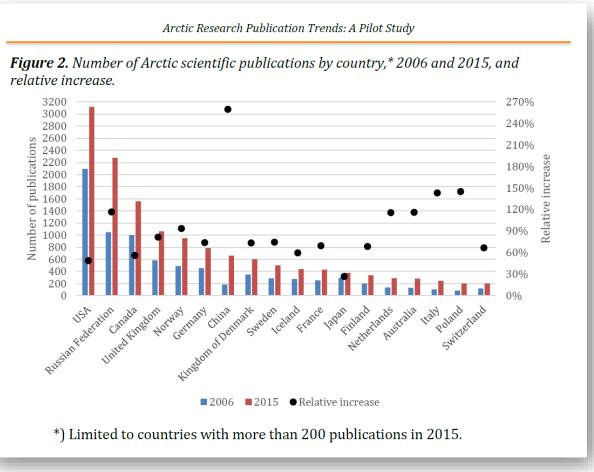






#### Non-Arctic Arctic research





What interests, what engagement of non-Arctic nations in the Arctic?



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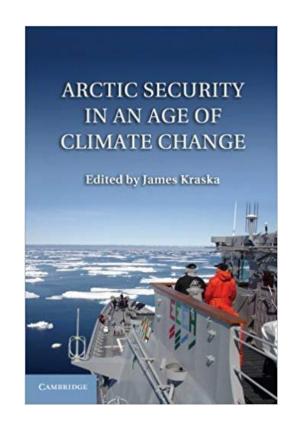
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## Oran R. Young in: Kraska, 2011

- (...) non-Arctic players are expressing a growing interest in Arctic affairs through initiatives ranging from high-profile research programs to the development of explicit Arctic policies.
- Naturally, these initiatives are couched in diplomatic language emphasizing the importance of sustainable development, the welfare of the Arctic's indigenous peoples, and, more generally, the pursuit of good governance in the Arctic.
- However, this cannot conceal the fact that the non-Arctic states are motivated to a considerable degree by the attractions of exploiting the Arctic's natural resources and of taking advantage of opportunities for commercial shipping in the region.



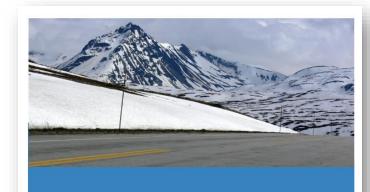
# **Arctic Strategies of the EU and Non-Arctic States: Identifying Some Common Elements**



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Generally, a basic literature review confirms that non-Arctic States' interests are predominantly sectoral and/or resource-based. At the outset, national Arctic strategies or political statements of both Arctic States and non-Arctic States are often centred on the management of global challenges, in particular relating to climate change but also to Arctic shipping (The Gordon Foundation 2011). All non-Arctic States mentioned above agree—for obvious reasons—that the freedom of navigation in Arctic waters must be maintained without any undue restrictions by coastal States. In this context, several non-Arctic States explicitly endorse the entry into force and implementation of the IMO's Polar Code as an instrument to be adhered to while exercising the right to freedom of navigation. Consequently, there are common policy interests of non-Arctic States, relating above all to freedom of navigation as well as the necessity of Polar research, but also to peace and security in the region and the fight against global warming.



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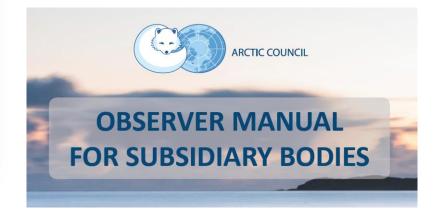
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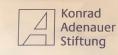














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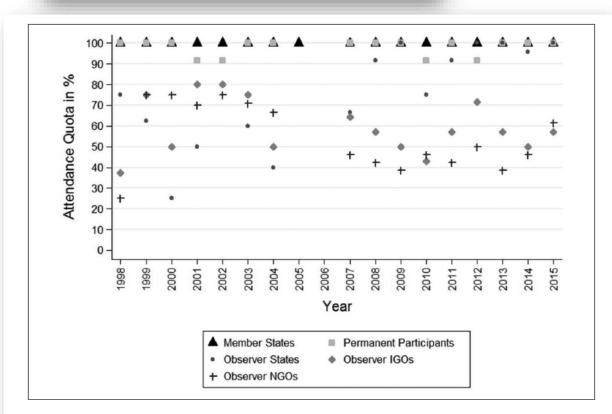
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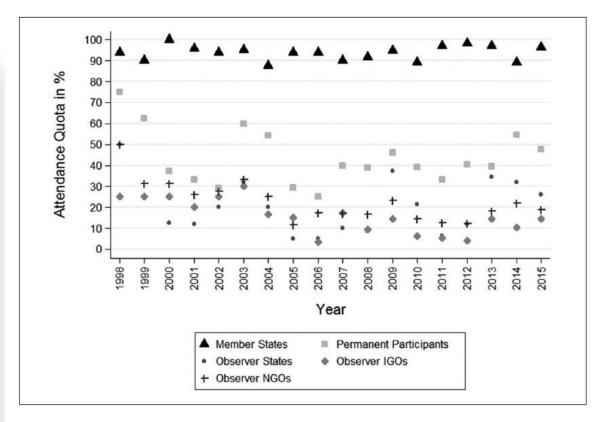
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**Figure 3.** Stakeholder participation in Arctic Council Senior Arctic Officials' meetings, 1998–2015.



**Figure 4.** Stakeholder participation in Arctic Council Working Group meetings (Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Programme, Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response, Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment, Sustainable Development Working Group), 1998–2015.

### Conclusions

- Political international value of doing Arctic research is recognized by all non-Arctic nations, mainly by AC observers.
- 2. Their scientific input is growing, however, it is not fully transfered into AC WG works.
- 3. Arctic research in political terms are treated instrumentally as a foreign policy tool to achieve non-scientific aims: economic & security interests, and strong international position.