

Governance and Global Challenges: The Future of International Law in the Polar Regions

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Polar Cooperation Research Centre, Kobe University, Japan

The Polar Cooperation Research Centre invites Arctic and Antarctic researchers to submit abstracts for its forthcoming seminar on 13 March 2023 to be held at Kobe University, Japan. Focusing on “Governance and Global Challenges: The Future of International Law in the Polar Regions,” this seminar aims to bring together established scholars and early-career researchers from the fields of international law, international relations, and security to discuss the unique current and future challenges facing the polar regions.

From dealing with a rapidly changing climate, which has significant implications for Arctic local and Indigenous peoples and the environment, to the potential for increased shipping activity, there is a need to think about the adequacy, effectiveness, and the overall future of governance and international law mechanisms.

This special Kobe PCRC International Seminar will address how international law can respond to the specific challenges of governance in the Arctic and the Antarctic, including the role of international law and the need for cooperation among various stakeholders. Overall, this one-day in-person seminar will provide a forum for discussing the complex and interconnected issues facing the poles and will explore ways to address these challenges in a sustainable and equitable manner.

**Please send your presentation abstract (200 words max)
to Romain Chuffart (romain.chuffart@thearcticinstitute.org) and
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**Selected speakers will be notified on a rolling basis until 10 February 2023.
Up to four (4) presentations will be accepted to this event.**

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