

Series of conferences on **the Reality of the North**

August 31st & September 1st 2015

Chaufferie (CO-R700) at pavillon Cœur des sciences
175, avenue du Président-Kennedy, Montréal

Monday, August 31st

8:30	Welcome (coffee & croissants) - Introduction to biophysical environments
10:00	Arctic seasons – Impressions from three voyages on the pack ice Audun B. Tholfsen, Expedition member of Tara Arctic, Arat 2012 and Fram 2014/15
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	Pollution in the Arctic & the avian fauna Jonathan Verreault, Associate Professor ,UQAM / Canada Research Chair in Comparative Avian Toxicology (AVITOX)
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Sea ice ecology – C. J. Mundy, Associate Professor, in biological oceanography, Environment and geography & Centre for Earth Observation Science, University of Manitoba
14:30	Vegetation of the Torngats – Alain Cuerrier, Associate professor in biological sciences, <i>Université de Montréal</i> & Researcher at the Montreal Botanical Garden
15:30	Coffee break
16:00	Arctic plant ecology – Esther Lévesque, Professor, department of environmental sciences, <i>Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières</i> & Researcher at the Centre for Northern Studies
17:00	Discussion panel & refreshments

Tuesday, September 1st

8:30	Welcome (coffee & croissants) - Introduction to human dimensions
10:00	Geopolitics of the Arctic – Joël Plouffe, Research associate, <i>Centre interuniversitaire de recherche sur les relations internationales du Canada et du Québec</i> (CIRRICQ), École nationale d'administration publique (ENAP)
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	Mineral resource in the Arctic, potential & challenges Kristina Maud Bergeron, Research associate, Chair in Mining Entrepreneurship UQAT-UQAM
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Summer school photo contest – examination and vote
14:30	Environmental contaminants & human health Dave Saint-Amour, Chair in Environmental Neuropsychotoxicology, UQAM
15:30	Coffee break
16:00	Ethical principles of cultural and social research on the North and the Arctic Daniel Chartier, Chair on Images of the North, Winter and the Arctic, UQAM
17:00	Discussion panel

18:00 Opening reception of the ArcTrain annual meeting offered by
the Consulate general of Germany in Montreal