

Canada's and Europe's Northern Dimensions Seminar

Biennial International Seminar Series

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Geopolitical and legal aspects of Canada's and Europe's northern dimensions

A joint initiative by the **Canadian Circumpolar Institute, University of Alberta**, Canada and the **Thule Institute, University of Oulu**, Finland, the seminar series provide an opportunity for Canadian and Finnish and other Nordic policy-makers and researchers to present their research findings, discuss trends in policy, share their experiences, and offer their perspectives on the future challenges facing the northern regions of Europe and Canada. **CCI** and the **Thule Institute** will be joined by **Iceland's Stefansson Arctic Institute** and the **Northern Research Forum** in enlarging the participation of polar institutes and northern organizations in sponsorship of the series.

PROGRAM

DAY ONE

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Keynote Address

Introduction by Chair

1. The geopolitics of continental shelf claims
2. Boundaries, borders and cooperation in the Barents Euro-Arctic Region
3. The Northern North Atlantic: Greenland, Iceland and new political horizons
4. Rethinking polar law: resource development and its consequences

DAY TWO

Keynote address

Introduction by Chair

5. History of Northern development: lessons for the future
6. Resource futures and Northern passages: energy, shipping and environment
7. Roundtable Discussion

