

Building networks and raising awareness on Arctic resilience

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ACAF = Arctic network for Climate Adaptation and Food security

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- Promotion of international cooperation in climate change adaptation research and practise
- Building of partner networks
- Promotion of Arctic food security and innovation
- Sharing best practices



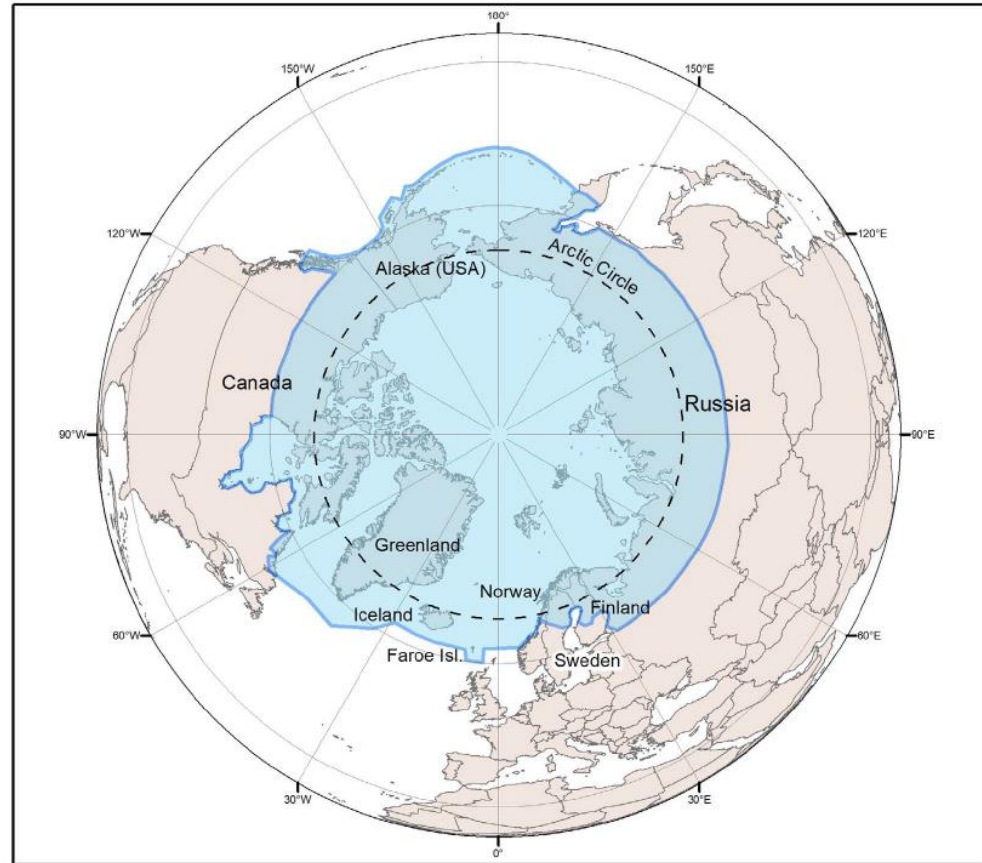
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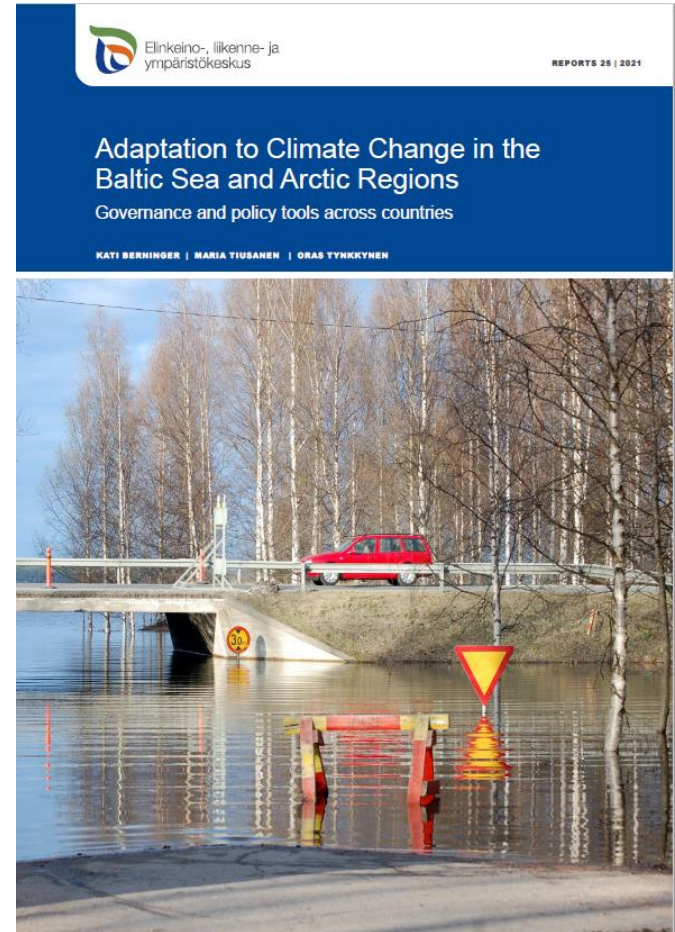
Climate change impacts the Arctic

- Life with the nature vs. inspite of nature
- Changes in the natural system affects directly to other systems
- Food, water and energy
- Indigenous peoples
- Nature based livelihoods
- **Challenges are shared but also solutions**



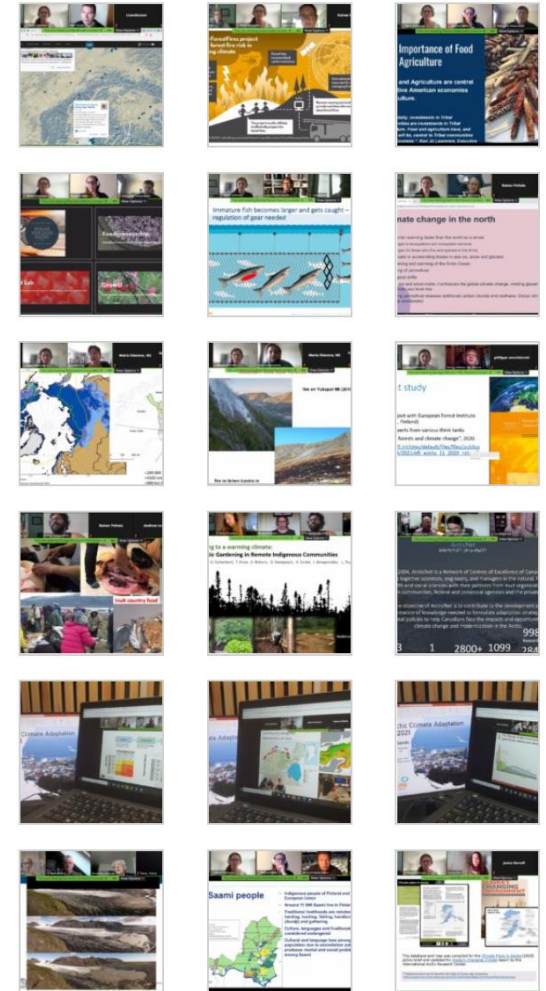
Governance and policy

- Differing systems for adaptation governance
 - Finland: 3rd national adaptation plan
- Countries in different stages of implementing adaptation in practice
 - Best practices from others
- Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Faroe Islands, Greenland, Norway, Iceland, Germany, Poland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Russia, Belarus, Canada, and the United States



Building the network

- Research on Arctic adaptation players
- Finnish networking
- Bilateral meetings with 7 countries
 - 172 participants
- Sessions in high level international meetings
 - Arctic Frontiers, Arctic Circle, **Arctic Spirit**
- Further collaboration and next steps
 - Arctic Net, Arctic Food Innovation Cluster, research groups, national projects
- Communication and sharing the best practices



Thank you!



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