**International Arctic Science Committee (IASC)**

IASC is a non-governmental, international scientific organization founded in 1990 by representatives of national scientific organizations of the eight Arctic countries.

**IASC and Arctic Council**

- Major past activities
  - ACIA
  - SWIPA
  - State of the Arctic Coast

- Ongoing activities
  - SAGA
  - AACA
  - AHDR II
  - APR
  - ASSW

- Future activities
  - ICARP III
  - IPI?

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**ICARP III will**

- provide a framework to help:
  - identify Arctic science priorities for the next decade;
  - coordinate various Arctic research agendas;
  - inform policy makers, people who live in or near the Arctic and the global community;
  - build constructive relationships between producers and users of knowledge.

**ICARP III will not**

- undertake the development of new science plans.

Rather:

- ICARP III will build on the many comprehensive science plans that exist already;
- and compliment existing activities with processes to identify and fill gaps that may need attention.

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**Considering**

- the outcome of ICARP II and
- the International Polar Year
ICARP III will

be a process for:
- integrating priorities for forward-looking, collaborative, interdisciplinary Arctic research and observing;
- establishing an inventory of recent and current synthesis documents and major developments in Arctic research.

Engaging

all partners, including funders, in shaping the future of Arctic research needs, ICARP III will:
- produce a consensus statement identifying the most important Arctic research needs for the next decade;
- provide a roadmap for research priorities and partnerships;
- identify potential contributions of Arctic research partners to the International Polar Initiative.

The program

will include a series of meetings and events during 2014/15:
- starting with a formal launch at the Arctic Science Summit Week (ASSW) 2014 in Helsinki, Finland and;
- culminating in a final conference during ASSW 2015 in Toyama, Japan;
- in conjunction with IASC’s 25 Anniversary.

The process

is governed by a Steering Committee established by the participating organizations

Participation of the first meeting of the ICARP III Steering Group in Helsinki, 9-10 September 2015

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