

# BRUSSELS WELCOMES ARCTIC STAKEHOLDERS YET AGAIN



For the the 8th year in a row, the International Polar Foundation, along with its many partners, are proud to host the next annual [Arctic Futures Symposium](#) in Brussels on Monday November 20th, at the [Residence Palace](#) in Brussels' EU Quarter.

Organised in conjunction with the Nordic regional offices, the missions and representations of several Arctic states in Brussels, and with the financial support of the [Brussels Capital Region](#), the 2017 symposium will welcome Arctic stakeholders to the seat of the European Institutions to hold a public dialogue about key issues facing the Arctic and Arctic stakeholders for the benefit of the EU and the general public.

The theme of this year's symposium will be "Smart and Sustainable Investment for the Arctic's Future". Following a series of opening keynote speeches from distinguished speakers from the EU and Arctic countries, the symposium will host a roundtable discussion with Senior Arctic Officials and representatives from the foreign ministries of Arctic nations. Following this, the symposium will look at:

- The future of Arctic research cooperation
- Working towards a more sustainable Arctic
- Investing in educational and economic opportunities for Arctic residents
- Opportunities in the Arctic bioeconomy

The [full programme](#) and a list of [confirmed speakers](#) for this year's symposium can be found on the [Arctic Futures Symposium website](#), along with a full list of partner organisations.

The event is open and free of charge. Anyone who is interested in Arctic issues is welcome to attend. However, for security and logistical reasons, registration is mandatory. Those interested in attending can [register](#) directly via the event website.

For any inquiries related to the Arctic Futures Symposium, please contact the event organisers directly at [events@polarfoundation.org](mailto:events@polarfoundation.org) or +32 (0)2 520 34 40.

We look forward to seeing many of you at the symposium!