

Program
ArcResc Final Seminar
FUTURE OF THE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES
IN THE ARCTIC REGION



Rovaniemi, Finland
27.9.-29.9.2023

Wednesday 27.9.

- 16.30 Coffee & registration, *Arktikum Science Centre (Pohjoisranta 4)*
- 17.00 Welcome, *Rescue Director Markus Aarto, Rescue Services of Lapland*
- 17.15 Finnish views of Arctic cooperation, *Ambassador for Arctic Affairs/Senior Arctic Official Petteri Vuorimäki, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland*
- 17.30 Wildfire prevention and preparedness in northern Canada, *Manager of Operations Carl Cibart & Emergency Response Officer Doug Cote, Yukon Wildfire Management*
- 18.30 CASE: large-scale wildfires in Alberta, *Fire Chief/President Ken McMullen, Red Deer, Alberta/Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs*

Thursday 28.9.

- 8.30 Coffee & registration, *Arktikum Science Centre (Pohjoisranta 4)*
- 9.00 Opening words, *Director Johanna Ikävalko, Arctic Centre*
- 9.15 Why the Arctic is in the focus? *Professor Timo Koivurova, Arctic Centre*
- 10.00 Climate change and its impact in the Arctic societies (tba)
- 10.45 break
- 11.00 Indigenous people, environment change and future, *Former Researcher of Northern Culture and Nature, Ph.D. Pekka Aikio*
- 11.45 Lunch & Exhibition



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- 13.00 The fire and rescue services future directions in the arctic countries
(20 minutes per country)
- Finland, *Director Pasi Rynnänen, Ministry of the Interior Department for Rescue Services, Rescue Operations and Emergency Dispatch Unit*
 - Sweden, *Deputy Head of Department Patrik Perbeck, Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency, Civil Protection Department*
 - Norway, *District Commander Dag Svindseth, The Norwegian Directorate of Civil Protection*
 - Iceland (tba)
 - Canada, *Fire Chief/President Ken McMullen, Red Deer, Alberta/Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs*
 - Alaska/US, *Deputy State Director Kent Slaughter, Fire and Aviation BLM Alaska*

14.45 Coffee

15.15 Challenges of the fire and rescue services in the Arctic region, *Project Manager Joel Kauppinen, the Finnish Association of Fire Officers, ArcResc -project*

15.40 Discussion panel: how to prevent, prepare and respond to the disasters in the changing Arctic environment?

19.00 Networking event, *Frans & Chérie (Koskikatu 4)*

- Opening, *Executive Director Ari Keijonen, The Finnish Association of Fire Officers*
- ArcResc project & international cooperation, *Senior Specialist Jari Honkanen, EU and International Affairs Unit Department for Rescue Services*
- Arctic Fire & Rescue Short Film Contest Results
- ArcResc PechaKucha

Friday 29.9. (outdoors, location tbc)

9.30 EU Civil Protection Mechanism / European Civil Protection Pool

- High Capacity Pumping module and Arctic Rescue Team
- Finn Rescue Arctic Ground Forest Firefighting Using Vehicles (FI GFFF-V)

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