



Forging of cultures in the Circumpolar North – a comparative perspective

Thursday 24 September 2015

VENUE: [Moesgaard Museum](#) Auditorium (room 4240-020) Moesgård Allé 15, 8270 Højbjerg

Session A, 9.00-14.15: Disequilibrium dynamics

Chair – Rane Willerslev

9.00-9.10 **Opening remarks/Introduction to Session A** – Søren Rysgaard / Rane Willerslev

9.10-9.40 **Signe Normand** and **Toke Høye** 'Disequilibrium dynamics in Arctic ecosystems'

9.40-10.10 **Anna Prentiss** 'Evolution of Arctic Cultures: Exploring the Roles of Cultural Inheritance and Ecology'

10.10-10.50 **Bjarne Grønnow** 'Instability and Isolation: High Arctic Settlement Patterns in a Long Term Perspective'

10.50-11.15 *Coffee*

11.15-11.45 **Igor Krupnik** 'Arctic Crashes': Studying Polar Human-Animal Disequilibria at Times of Climate Change'

11.45-12.15 **Andrew Dugmore** and **Jette Arneborg** 'Disequilibrium, adaptation and the Norse settlement of Greenland'

12.15-12.30 **Peter D. Jordan** 'How does human social learning produce diversity and adaptation in circumpolar cultures?'

12.30-12.45 **Closing remarks** – Rane Willerslev

12.45 -13.30 *Lunch*

Session B, 13.30-16.40: Arctic resource strategies: adaptive and cosmological mechanisms

Chair – Felix Riede

13.30-13.40 **Introduction Session B** – Felix Riede

13.40-14.10 **Tom Gilbert** 'Palaeogenomics as a tool for reconstructing human exploitation of animal resources'

14.10-14.40 **Brian Wygal** 'Beyond typologies: new interpretations of artifact diversity and land use in post-glacial Alaska'

14.40-15.10 **Martin Appelt** 'Beyond the historic past – other cultures'

15.10-15.30 *Coffee*

15.30-16.00 **Ulla Odgaard** 'Differing concepts: hunting rights and ethics in Greenlandic caribou hunting.'

16.00-16.30 **Robert Brightman** 'Technical vs. Ritual Managements and human-nonhuman socialities across the Bering Strait'

16.30-16.40 **Closing remarks**, Felix Riede

16.40-18.00 *Drinks reception*

Friday 25 September

Session C, 9.00- 13.45: Global Connectors

Chair – Djuke Veldhuis & Pelle Tejsner

09.00-09.10 **Introduction to Session C** – Pelle Tejsner

09.10-09.40 **Gro Birgit Ween** 'The king of fish in the High North: comparative salmon experiences in two Arctic Rivers'

09.40-10.10 **Olga Ulturgasheva** 'Distributions, Cycles and Returns: Exploring the Relationship Between Contemporary Sharing Practices and Transition to Adulthood among Alaskan Yup'ik and Siberian Eveny'

10.10-10.40 **Susan Crate** 'Investigating the Bottom-Up Complexities and Adaptive Challenges of Contemporary Climate Change in Northeastern Siberia and Nunatsiavut, Canada'

10.40-11.00 *Coffee*

- 11.00-11.30 **Stine Vestbo** and **Claus Hindberg** 'Eiders as long distance connectors in Arctic networks.'
- 11.30-12.00 **Stuart McLean** 'A Modern Film About Modern Thinking': Zacharias Kunuk's The Journals of Knud Rasmussen and the Fabulation of Inuit Pasts and Futures.'
- 12.00-12.30 **Anne Lisbeth Schmidt** and **Peter Toft** 'Comparisons of Circumpolar clothing: parka materials, designs and transculturations in the 19th century'
- 12.30-12.40 **Closing remarks** Djuke Veldhuis & Pelle Tejsner
- 12.45-13.45 *Lunch*

Session D - 13.45-16.30: Arctic cultures: health and wellbeing

- 13.45-14.00 **Introduction to Session D:** Djuke Veldhuis
- 14.00-14.30 **Kirsten Hastrup** 'The historicity of Health: The Thule Case'
- 14.30-15.00 **Frank Sejersen** 'System collapse and human agency: interpretive perspectives on the hunger catastrophe in east Greenland in the 19th century'
- 15.00-15.20 *Coffee*
- 15.20-15.50 **John Ziker** 'Inequality, Demographic Health, and Social Support in Northern Siberia'
- 15.50-16.20 **Jeanette Lykkegård Nielsen** 'The Circle of Death: A Chukchi perspective on Alcohol and Alcohol-related Violent Death's'
- 16.20-16.30 **Closing remarks** Djuke Veldhuis & Pelle Tejsner
- 16.30 Informal drinks in Aarhus (exact location tbc.)