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Dear colleagues interested in ocean and polar politics and our thematic group,

the first five items in this newsletter point you to activities related to or emerging from and with our thematic group: a final reminder for the open call for our **Thematic Group's annual meeting 2025** (1); a dudle link regarding best **dates for the TG writing retreat** (2), the link for **next TG ECR coffee** chat (3), a reminder for the Call for Papers for an **ECPR Joint Session Workshop on the Ocean as a Political Space** (4), and again the invitation to the founding of the **Working Group on Polar Politics** in the German Society for Polar Research (5). Then we have a call for an interesting **workshop on the freedom of the seas** (6). Next follow **three calls for applications** for PhD, Post-doc, professor, and fellow positions potentially of interest (7-12). Those who want to **learn more** about ocean and polar politics find the announcements of a PhD course, of a parliamentary evening in Berlin, an online seminar and a lecture listed (13-16). **Interesting material** concludes the substantive part (17), before the usual call for contributions to the next newsletter and information on subscription mark the end.

### **1. FINAL Call for Abstracts: Thematic Group Annual Conference, 12-14.02.2025, submission deadline, 10.11.2024**

We call for abstracts for TG's annual conference 2025. The venue will most likely be Potsdam or Berlin - to be announced in our next mail. The conference will take place back to back with the first meeting of the German society for Polar Research's working group on Polar Politics (AK Polarpolitik). **Please find the Call for Papers attached**. Submit your abstract to: < [polarmar@dvpw.de](mailto:polarmar@dvpw.de) >.

### **2. Thematic Group „Polar and Ocean politics WritErs' Retreat (POWER!), do the Dudle until 17.11.2024**

This month TG had planned a retreat on the small Wadden Sea island Langeness. Unfortunately, we failed to gather the minimum number of participants. Because many expressed interest to join, but could not make it this time, we try again: There are three possible dates in March and April 2025. The retreat is open to all interested in polar and marine political science. It has three goals: (1) first and foremost to find some quiet and focus for writing work. However, (2) we also want to enable colleagues who want to work together or who may already have joint projects to exchange ideas intensively face-to-face. (3) The trip should also help to discuss the activities of the thematic group and political science polar and marine research in Germany and to develop goals and steps to pursue these. We explicitly call early career scholar to join, but hope that we will gather a mix of all career stages. We need 15-18 participants minimum. Participation fee is 160€ and includes accommodation and food/drink, as well as all transportation costs on the island. For the location see: < <https://www.schutzstation-wattenmeer.de/seminarhaeuser/langeness/> >. If you have questions, contact Christoph at [c.humrich@rug.nl](mailto:c.humrich@rug.nl). **We attach the call for the cancelled November retreat to give details on organisation and location**. Fill in Dudle at < <https://dudle.lvr.de/d62avqqo/> >.

### **3. Thematic Group Early Career Coffee Chat (online), Monday, 09.12.2024, 10AM**

After a cosy first online meeting with 11 early career researchers on 4 November, the gathered crowd decided to have another Early Career Coffee Chat before Christmas. If

you too are an early career researcher working on polar or ocean political research, start your week off right by joining the crowd for an informal coffee chat on Zoom! This is a great opportunity to share updates on funding opportunities, discuss your research interests, and swap advice with others in the field. There's no need to prepare—just bring yourself and your favorite beverage. The zoom link is < <https://cardiff.zoom.us/j/84110929778?pwd=1KV6URf4PyJ9kadt4Rq5FTZwrHRbg0.1> > (Meeting ID: 841 1092 9778; Password: 113879).

#### **4. CfA ECPR Joint Sessions Workshop "Sea Spaces and Oceanic Orders", submission deadline 21.11.2024**

TG members Anna Meine and Christoph Humrich direct the workshop "Sea Spaces and Oceanic Orders. Capturing and Theorizing the Blue Horizon of Politics and Political Science". The Workshop takes place, 20–23.05.2025 at Charles University, Prague. You will find the core questions of the workshop and a list of exemplary paper topics on the ECPR Joint Sessions site: < <https://ecpr.eu/Events/Event/WorkshopDetails/15649> >. For questions on the theme and workshop, contact Anna and/or Christoph at < [anna.meine@uni-muenster.de](mailto:anna.meine@uni-muenster.de) >; < [c.humrich@rug.nl](mailto:c.humrich@rug.nl) >. To submit a proposal you need to have an ECPR account. Further information and the submission portal can be found here: < <https://ecpr.eu/JointSessions> >. A Call in PDF format is attached to this mail.

#### **5. Invitation: Founding meeting, Working Group on Polar Politics (AK Polarpolitik), 13-14.02.2025, registration deadline 16.12.2024**

We cordially invite all interested to the founding meeting of the AK Polarpolitik of the German Society for Polar Research in Berlin - at same location and directly after the TG's annual conference. The AK is meant to become an interdisciplinary meeting place for natural scientists, social scientists, and all others interested in research relevant for polar policies. Please find the invitation and preliminary program attached. Register until 16.12.2024 via: < [ak-polarpolitik@polarforschung.de](mailto:ak-polarpolitik@polarforschung.de) >.

#### **6. CfP „Freedom of the seas and freedom of the individual“, deadline for submission, 20.11.2024**

This call for papers for a workshop at School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London on 7 February 2025 invites young scholars to explore various aspects of the relationship between freedom of the seas and individual freedom in a historical perspective, focusing on the XV-XIX centuries. Papers may focus on a specific jurist, geographic area, school of thought, historical period, or may address more transversal aspects across the identified timeframe and regions, and may do so from a variety of approaches. The workshop takes place 7 February 2025. Further information in attached PDF.

#### **7. PhD position, application submission deadline is 10.12.2024**

The Ph.D. position is connected to the project "The Future of Europe (TFoE) – Public and elite preferences for the relationship between EU and non-EU countries" (funded by the Norwegian Research Council, 2025-2028, PI Andreas Goldberg). Arctic seems to be an excellent example here < [https://www.jobbnorge.no/en/available-jobs/job/269902/phd-position-in-political-science?utm\\_source=brev&utm\\_campaign=Jobs&utm\\_medium=email](https://www.jobbnorge.no/en/available-jobs/job/269902/phd-position-in-political-science?utm_source=brev&utm_campaign=Jobs&utm_medium=email) >.

#### **8. Post-doc position "Political Economy/Sociology of Low-Carbon Transitions", deadline for applications is 13.12.2024, 11AM**

The Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies (MPIfG) invites applications from postdoctoral researchers (f/m/d) in Social Science in the several areas. One being the above, which seems to offer opportunities for looking at the Arctic countries. Further information see here: <

[https://career.mpifg.de/jobposting/70c4acefa0506c731bc953dc782e572495b2de530?ref=homepage&utm\\_source=brev&utm\\_campaign=Jobs&utm\\_medium=email](https://career.mpifg.de/jobposting/70c4acefa0506c731bc953dc782e572495b2de530?ref=homepage&utm_source=brev&utm_campaign=Jobs&utm_medium=email) >

#### **9. Post-doctoral Research Fellow Climate Change and Foreign Policy, application**

### **deadline, 24.11.2024**

Advertisement for the position at University Libre de Bruxelles reads for instance: "For too long, researchers have approached climate diplomacy primarily through the lens of international negotiations held under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. It is time to broaden this perspective and explore how the various dimensions of foreign policy are both impacted by and can be leveraged to advance international cooperation on climate change." It seems Arctic foreign policies would be an interesting case! [PDF with further detail on position and application is attached.](#)

### **10. Professor position „Maritime and Ocean Socioecology“ (Nippon Foundation Chair), deadline for applications: 01.12.2024**

The Professor position is located in the Faculty unit at WMU's headquarters in Malmö, Sweden. [PDF with position and application details is attached.](#)

### **11. Professor position „Sustainability Science“, application period until 30.11.2024**

The position is located at University of Lapland's Arctic Centre. Description reads: "The (associate) professor specialises in research on sustainability and just change in the Arctic, local communities, and traditional livelihoods and interest groups. The purpose of the position is to enhance analytic understanding of complex socio-ecologic-cultural processes and dynamics related to the sustainability transformation. Further information here: < [https://ats.talentadore.com/apply/professor-associate-professor-tenure-track-arctic-sustainability-science/m7wQGd?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR2r5S84CU3-1G1RRblczlkBc5ttbtp514H-hk1odGZSzY5-SjyLXsXAK-8\\_aem\\_\\_ymcuRIEGsGWGyzaZyEIWA](https://ats.talentadore.com/apply/professor-associate-professor-tenure-track-arctic-sustainability-science/m7wQGd?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR2r5S84CU3-1G1RRblczlkBc5ttbtp514H-hk1odGZSzY5-SjyLXsXAK-8_aem__ymcuRIEGsGWGyzaZyEIWA) >. [PDF attached.](#)

### **12. Fellowships 2025-2026 at Belfer Center/Harvard Kennedy School's Arctic Initiative, application deadline is 01.12.2024**

Fellows are expected to pursue research that relates to the priorities of the Arctic Initiative: addressing the challenges and opportunities associated with the rapid transformation of the Arctic. A special focus is on exploring to what extent existing governmental and international policies, programs, laws, and regulations are adequate and appropriate to address the evolving challenges and opportunities in the Arctic, and to consider how they can be improved. Policy-focused proposals with the following issue areas will be prioritized: Advancing Sustainable Ocean Management, Permafrost Thaw, Resilience in the Far North < <https://www.belfercenter.org/fellowship/arctic-initiative> >

### **13. PhD course on Stakeholders in Natural Resource Usage, application deadline is 01.12.2024**

The course "The Role of Stakeholders as a Regulatory Force for Sustainable Natural Resource Usage" takes place 7-11 April 2025 at the Copenhagen Business School, Denmark. The course forms part of a series of four "Arctic Academy for Sustainability" PhD courses running from July 2022 through mid-2025. For more information see < <https://phdcourses.dk/Course/122505> >

### **14. Parlamentarischer Meeresabend in Berlin, 12.11.2024, 18.30 - 21.30**

Deutsche Meeresstiftung, Stiftung Planetarium Berlin, and Deutsche Gesellschaft für die Vereinten Nationen e.V. (DGVN) invite you to an ocean evening with the ocean policy spokespersons of the political parties at the Zeiss-Großplanetarium Berlin. The description states, among other things, "With the Ocean Evening, we would like to initiate a dialog in politics and contribute to making marine protection a greater priority." Who represents marine political science? The event is open to all interested. Registration required via < <https://www.eventbrite.de/e/parlamentarischer-meeresabend-tickets-1013645329467?aff=oddtcreator> >

### **15. Online Seminar "Foreign and security policy in the Nordic and North Atlantic Region", 12.11.2024, 13.00-14.30**

Konrad Adenauer Foundation's Regional Programme Nordic Countries presenting and

"taking a closer look at foreign and security policy surveys conducted between 2023 and 2024 in the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland, and Norway." More information, the surveys and registering for joining < <https://www.kas.de/en/web/nordische/veranstaltungen/detail/-/content/foreign-security-policies-in-the-westnordics> >

**16. Marine Social Science Lecture "Securitizing Marine Protected Areas",  
21.11.2024, 12:00–13:30, hybrid**

The lecture given by Elizabeth M. De Santo at HIFMB Oldenburg, is embedded in a more extensive program, starting already 20.11.24. The abstract contains the following: "Driven by global conservation commitments and protected area targets, the rush to conserve as much ocean area as quickly as possible has raised questions about both efficacy and equity. While designated for conservation purposes, many large-scale MPAs are situated in the overseas territories of former colonial powers and/or powerful players on the global stage, offering these countries a geopolitical advantage and access to mineral and biological marine resources." More information and registration here: < <https://hifmb.de/news/events/mssl/> >.

**17. Interesting Material**

(a) Report of the European Marine Board: *Navigating the Future VI: Placing the Ocean within the wider Earth system*. Link for Download is here

< <https://www.marineboard.eu/navigating-future-vi> >

(b) Recordings from the Ocean and Society Launch Webinar Series.

- *The Outliers: Success Stories in Sustainable Development Goal 14* <

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j27wcVON79g&list=PLEI4Yvk8nIB5iKSqXrMrwJ73o5-A8j5F&index=2&t=2975s> >

with Dr. Sarah Lothian (ANCORS), Emma McKinley (Marine Social Science Network), Marjo Vierros (Ocean Voices Program) and Marie Bourrel-McKinnon (International Seabed Authority)

- *Maritime Justice: Socio-Legal Perspectives on Order at Sea* <

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5SePKAYD5ps&list=PLEI4Yvk8nIB5iKSqXrMrwJ73o5-A8j5F&index=1> >

with Jessica Larsen (DIIS), Mauro Boelens, Stephanie Oserwa Young-Adika (Liverpool Hope University) and Simon Church (GoG - SHADE)

- *Into the (Gendered) Blue: New Perspectives on Gender Equality in Blue Growth* <

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lgu6CU-4rfo&list=PLEI4Yvk8nIB5iKSqXrMrwJ73o5-A8j5F&index=3> >

with Kristina Svelds (LUKE), Josefin Ekstedt (Aalborg University), Ramona Hägele (IDOS) and Angelique Brathwaite (Blue Alliance)

As always, watch out for our next mail. Deadline for submitting information for distribution in the next newsletter is 28.11.2024. Any reports, sources, other information you would like to share with the group? Please send it to the address below until above indicated deadline! If you would not like to receive this mail anymore or if your address has changed, please let us know with mail to this address: <[polarmar@dvpw.de](mailto:polarmar@dvpw.de)>.

**We are looking forward to many more submissions for the TG conference!**

All best,

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