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# Reducing the environmental impact of polar and high-altitude science

- Building on 2023 survey inputs + STAB and Board discussions
- Revision of calls for proposals new eligible costs, "best efforts" assessment, etc.
- "Walk the talk"

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## **Open Calls for proposals**

SPI Technogrants & SPI Exploratory Grants Deadline 3 October 2024, noon

### Mertz Fellowship

Deadline **31 October 2024, 23:00 CET** (in partnership with the Swiss Embassy in Australia & Swissnex network)

# To be published soon

Polar Access Fund next call in November 2024

Field and Summer schools always open

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### **Access opportunities**

### Canadian research icebreaker CCGS Amundsen 15 September 2024

### **CEN network**

1 November 2024

#### TARA Polar Station – latest update

Summer 2025: test deployments in the Fram Strait Winter 2025: test deployments in South Greenland

### POLARIN

international network of polar research infrastructures and their services

- new European initiative
- part of Horizon programme
- first transnational access (TA) call for proposals for researchers to access polar research infrastructure by the end of September 2024

### https://eu.polarin.eu/services/



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### **Services**

#### Logistics

- Extensive mapping search & rescue services in relation to insurance matters
- Aim to build a solid checklist of aspects to consider regarding insurance coverage
- More news this autumn
- Community input welcome

Health & Safety training for fieldwork next course 8-9 November 2024 **Customised field pharmacies** available for trained field parties

# Technical training for glaciated terrain

- successful 2nd course in 2024
- continued in 2025

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# For your diaries



19 September 2024 @La Résidence de France, Bern

Impact du dérèglement

Registrations close tomorrow!



EUROPEAN POLAR BOARD

September-October 2024



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Everything changes Opening 25 October 2024

#### Vhat's it all about

Melting icebergs, a booming fishing industry, consumer waste, flourishing tourism, internation is intense, nomic interests: Greenland's transformation is intense, turbulent, and contradictory. No stone is left unturned. What does this teach us about the world we live in? How do we deal with dilemmas and contradictions? What about it scares us and what opportunities are being presented? This moving video installation is accompanied by an original Greenlandic soundtrack.

From the makers of the North Korea exhibition "Let's Talk about Mountains" (26 March 2021 to 25 September 2022 at ALPS).





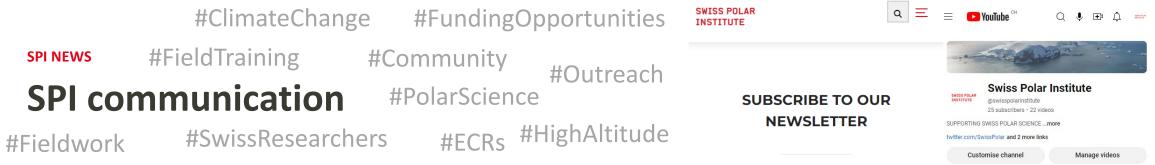
25 October 2024 @ALPS Museum, Bern https://alps.museum/en/





www.polar-class.ch/festival

Programme starts on 1 October 2024 Race starts 10 November 2024



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# SPI Flagship Initiatives: new call in 2025

- **Similar structure** to current Flagship Initiatives:
  - All polar and remote high-altitude regions
  - Multiannual
  - Multidisciplinary
  - Outreach
- Aligned with the **environmental aspects** already in place with 2024 calls

Call to be published on **3 February 2025** 2 Info events in February 2025 Pre-proposals deadline on **30 April 2025** Programmes to start in 2026 and to complete **4 major field seasons** 

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