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PECWS attendee and funding application

Apply now to attend the [Polar Early Career World Summit \(PECWS\)](#) to be hosted in Boulder, Colorado, USA from 22-24 March 2025! The PECWS, organized by the Association of Polar Early Career Scientists (APECS) and the Polar Early Career Community Office (PSECCO), aims to bring together early career researchers, professionals, Indigenous scholars and knowledge holders connected to the Arctic, Antarctic, and the wider cryosphere from across the world. Please visit www.pecws.org for more information.

Participation in the summit is free but spots are limited and have to be applied for. All early career researchers, professionals, Indigenous scholars and knowledge holders connected to the Arctic, Antarctica, and the wider cryosphere are encouraged to apply. **The deadline to submit your application is 19 November 2024, 23:59 GMT.** Given the short timeline leading up to the PECWS, an extension of this deadline is not planned and late applications will not be considered.

This form consists of many sections but most of them are very short. We estimate that you need 15 minutes to fill out all logistical questions. There are four short answer application questions that will require more time to answer with a total word limit of 650 words.

Questions:

* By filling out this application, I commit that I will confirm my ability to attend PECWS if selected by the PECWS selection committee by no later than two weeks after being notified that I have been offered a spot.

- Yes
- No

* Does your research, knowledge or profession focus on the **Arctic, Antarctic or cryosphere areas**?

- Yes
- No

* **How many years are you past your last completed degree** (i.e. Bachelor, Master, PhD)?

- N/A - I am still a student enrolled in a higher education program
- <5 years
- 5-7 years
- 7-10 years
- >10 years

* **Your name** (first name and last name):

* **Name of institution(s)** where you are affiliated:

* **Location** where you are based:

* What is your current **career stage**?

- Undergraduate student
- Master's student
- PhD student/candidate/fellow
- Postdoctoral researcher
- Research scientist
- (Research) technician
- Tenure-track faculty
- Teaching faculty
- Administrative staff
- Educator
- Other:

* What **region(s)** does your research, knowledge or profession focus on?

- Arctic
- Antarctic
- Cryosphere

* We are prioritizing the attendance of Arctic Indigenous individuals. **Are you an early career Indigenous scholar or knowledge holder who is from the Arctic?**

* Please provide **up to three keywords** that describe which scientific discipline(s) you feel most closely aligned with:

* **What is your area of work, advocacy, research or study? Please describe and contextualize it in a broader polar (research) perspective.** (*max. 150 words*)

* **Please describe your motivation to shape polar science decision making and the next International Polar Year (IPY).** (*max. 200 words*)

* **Please describe your interest in two of the following themes and explain how they relate to your motivation to attend the PECWS:**

- building an active early career community,
- advancing diversity and inclusion within polar research,

- collaborating across disciplines,
 - open science development,
 - science communication,
 - equitable collaboration with Indigenous Peoples and/or co-production of knowledge.
- (max. 200 words)

* **Please explain how you expect attending the PECWS could help advance your personal and professional development?** (max 100 words)

* The PECWS Organizing Committee is excited to invite applicants to share skills, resources, knowledge or experiences that they have with other PECWS participants. **Is there a topic relevant to polar research on which you would particularly like to present or to run a workshop or session?**

Please note that we will only ask for full activity proposals later from those who are selected as participants. We want to use the information you provide here to connect participants that pitch similar ideas to allow you to cooperate on a proposal.

- Yes
- No

* **Please describe very briefly which topic your proposed activity will focus on.**

* **Which format do you envision for your activity?** Please use the "Other" category if none of the provided options fits your idea.

- Workshop
- Session
- Presentation
- Panel
- Round-table discussion
- Other

* Do you have **funding** to attend the PECWS?

- Yes, full funding (if accepted I can come using my own funding)
- Yes, partial funding (I still need more funding in order to attend for sure)
- No (I need to apply for funding in order to attend)

* **What is your total expected cost (in EUR) of attending the summit?** (e.g., possible costs to include in this calculation are transportation, accommodation, food, dependent care) *Due to our reimbursement policies, please include only expenses that you could provide a receipt for if you receive funding.*

* **Please describe what costs you included in your cost estimate** for attending the summit in the previous question. (e.g., possible examples include transportation, accommodation, food, dependent care)

* **What is the total amount that you are requesting from PECWS?** *Please note that travel grants will range between 500 EUR to 2500 EUR.*

* Do you need a **visa** to attend the PECWS 2025, which will be hosted in Boulder, CO, USA?

- Yes
- No

(If you answered 'Yes' to the above question, please visit the [ASSW website](#) to initiate the process of requesting a Visa as soon as possible. Please request a Visa letter already now and don't wait until you hear back about your application to attend the PECWS.)

* Do you plan to attend **any other activities around the PECWS** or have **conflicting commitments** during the days of the PECWS (22-24 March 2025)?

* Are you participating in other **meetings or commitments during 22-24 March 2025** (i.e. the Business and Community Meetings at ASSW 2025)? If no, write 'No'; if yes, please describe your commitments:

* Are you planning to attend the **ICARP IV summit** as a participant, have submitted an abstract or are hosting a session? If no, write 'No'; if yes, please describe your involvement:

* How do you describe your gender identity? (optional)

* How do you describe your ethnic/racial identity? (optional)

* Do you live with a disability? (optional)

* **By submitting this application, I agree that I intend to attend the PECWS 2025 during 22-24 March 2025. If selected, I will confirm whether or not I can attend within two weeks of being informed of being offered a spot. Given limited availability of spots, we want to ensure those applying to the summit are committed to attending the full event.**

* Is there **anything else** you'd like to share with the Organizing Committee about the Polar Early Career World Summit 2025?