

Pan-Arctic Observing System of Systems: Implementing Observations for Societal needs

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‘The lack of consistent and holistic mechanisms to assess observing system priorities and link independently funded efforts across the Arctic can be viewed as a systematic short-coming that has hindered adaptation strategies and limited funding responses for an expanded and improved observing system.’

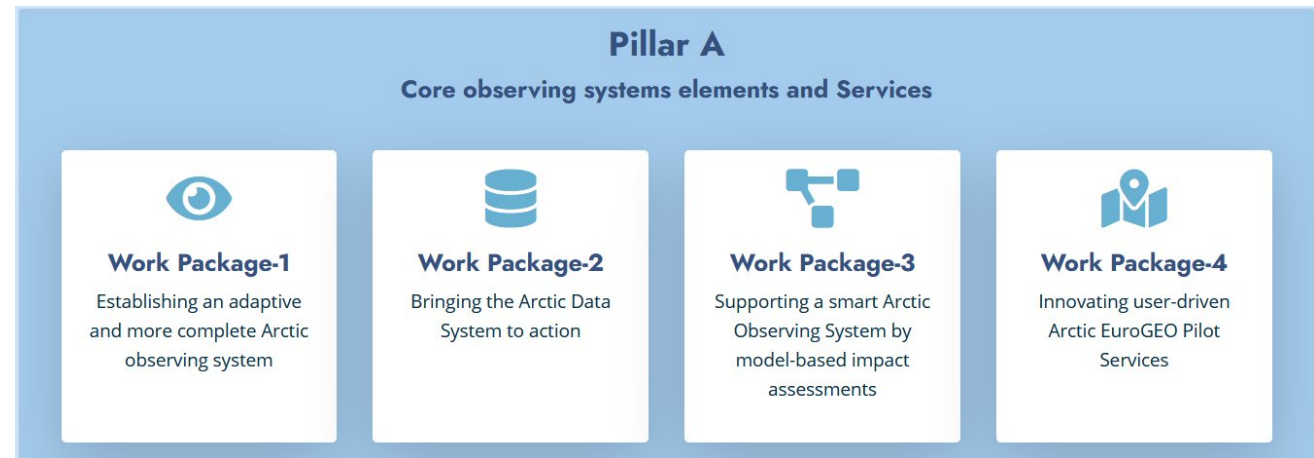
(Roadmap for Arctic Observing and Data Systems - ROADS, Starkweather et al., 2021)

- European Commission H2020 Program
- Project period: July 2021 – June 2025
- Project Coordination: Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research;
Michael Karcher, Luisa Cristini and Tordis Hellmann
- Total budget: €15M
- 17 countries, 43 partner organizations and 6 Indigenous communities
- Project website: www.arcticpassion.eu

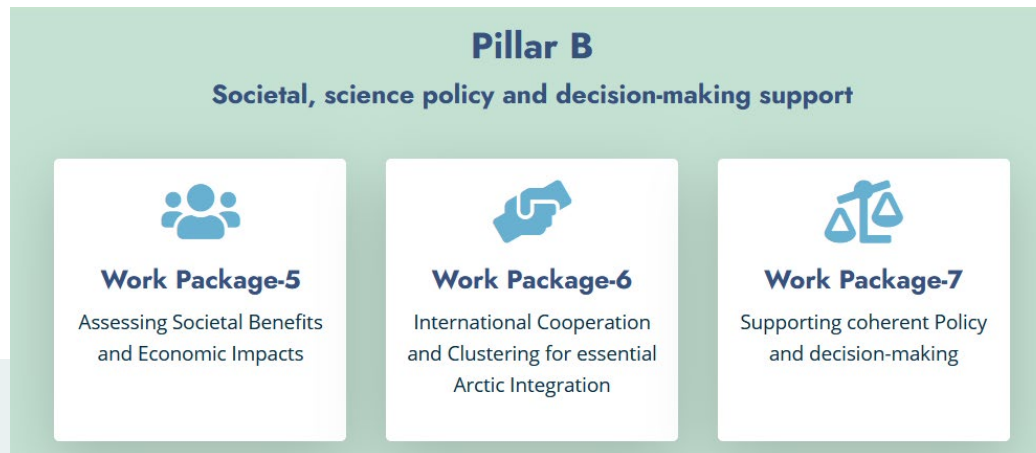
- Co-create a **coherent, integrated and sustainable pan-Arctic Observing System of Systems**
- Meaningful collaboration with **Arctic communities, Indigenous Peoples and organisations**
- Expand the monitoring capabilities to **support predictions and risk assessments**, through **broad inclusion of Indigenous Knowledge and Local Knowledge**;
- Improve **data interoperability** and simplify access to ‘application-ready’ environmental data for the benefit of all users

The Work Package structure of Arctic PASSION

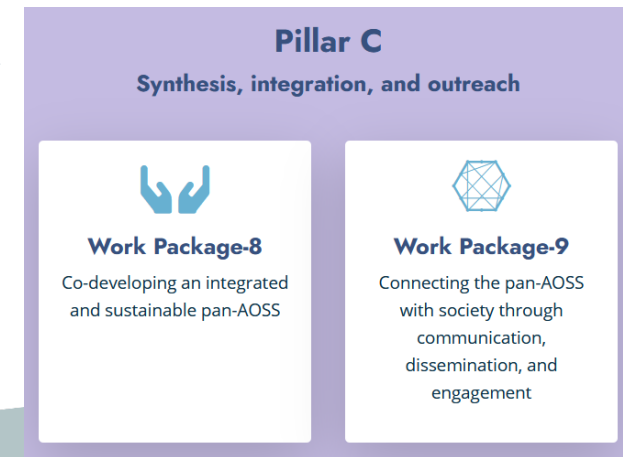
Strengthening core observing system elements



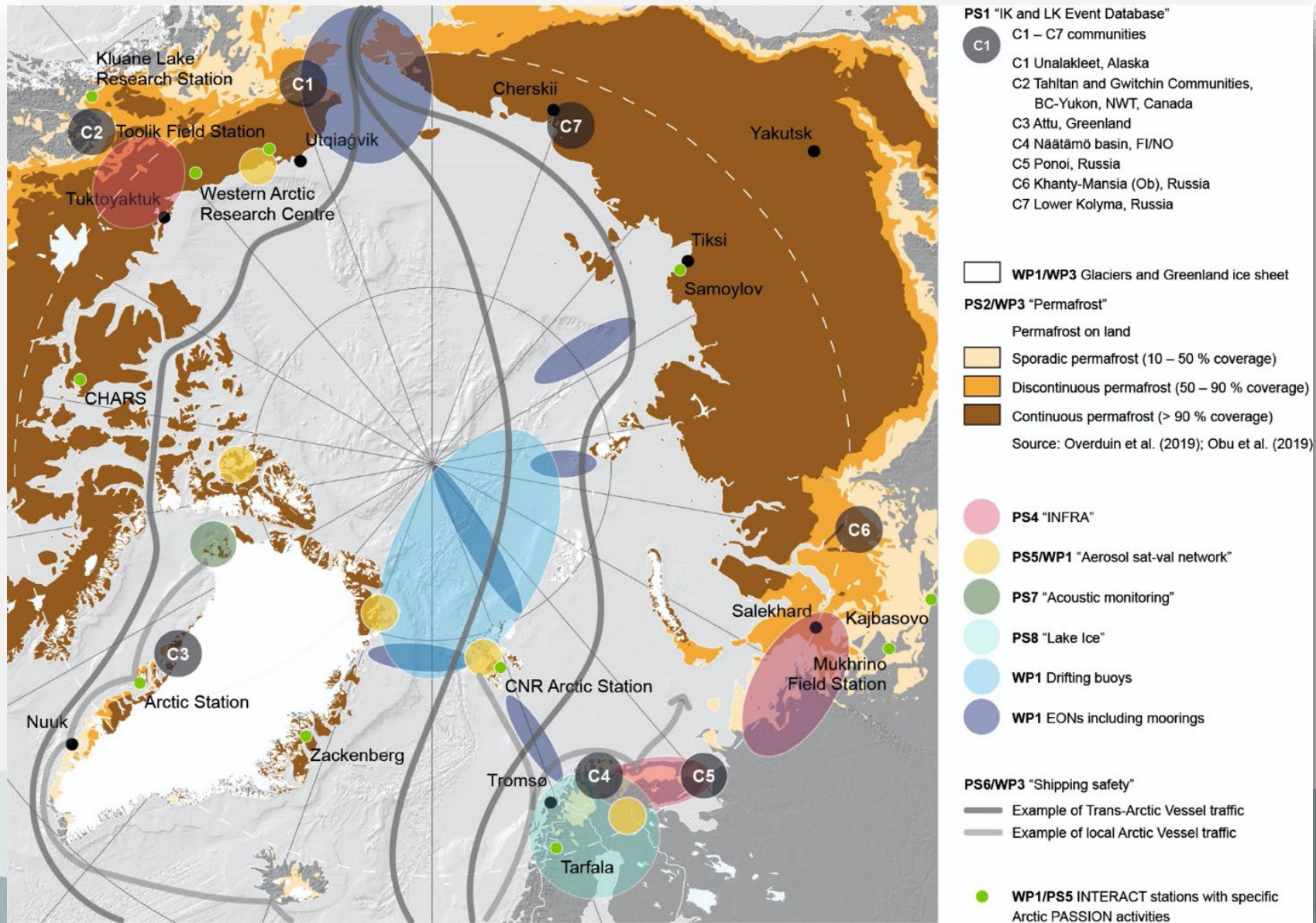
Decision-making support



Synthesis and outreach



Geographical regions of Arctic PASSION activities



- WP1/O1 Enhance and integrate Arctic Observations → e.g. through the A-DBO!
- WP2/O2 Improve Arctic Data Management
- WP3/O3 Optimize Arctic Observing Networks through Modelling Techniques
- WP4/O4 Deliver New EuroGeo Pilot Services
- WP5/O5 Quantify the Societal and Economic Benefit of the pan-AOSS
- WP6/O6 Enhance International Collaboration and Clustering
- WP7/O7 Provide Support to Decision Making and Policy
- WP8/O8 Co-develop an integrated pan-AOSS and Upgrade an Arctic-GEOSS in GEO
- WP9/O9 Link Arctic Observations and Society

Improve access to essential information services for communities, industry and governments.

Eight Pilot Services (PS) will be developed to **support emergency preparedness, food security, responses to climate and socio-economic changes.**

The PS are co-created in line with priorities established by Arctic Council, its Working Groups, the Arctic Science Ministerials, and the Arctic Observing Summit.

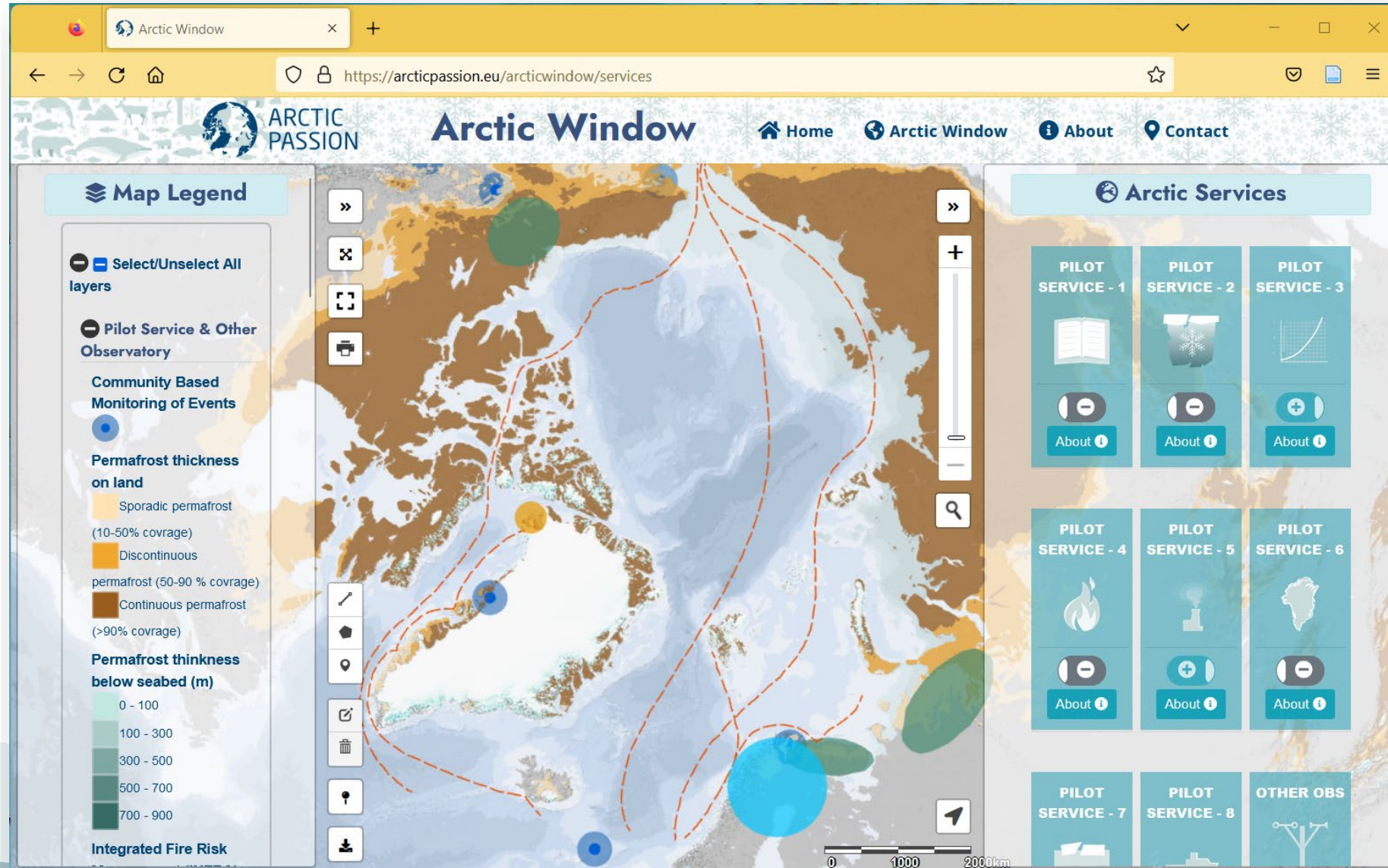
1. *Event Database of CBM Using Oral Histories, IK and LK* (Snowchange)
2. *'Pan-Arctic requirements-driven Permafrost Service'* (AWI)
3. *'State of the Arctic Environment' service* (NPI)
4. *'Integrated Fire Risk Management (INFRA) Service'* (CNR)
5. *'Local Atmospheric Pollutant Forecast Service'* (JRC)
6. *'Improving Safety for Shipping in the Polar Seas Service'* (BAS)
7. *'CBM for Arctic marine climate change, noise pollution & impacts on marine living resources'*
(GINR/DMI)
8. *'Lake Ice Service for Arctic Climate and Safety'* (SYKE)



The Pilot Services will provide information in areas of societal and economic relevance that are presently inadequately served:

- *food security,*
- *emergency preparedness, wildfire and pollution risk reduction,*
- *environmental change information,*
- *infrastructure, transport, and safe shipping.*

Existing services, such as those from Copernicus and ESA services will also be integrated to AW.



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Upcoming events:

- Arctic Frontiers, Tromsø, Jan/Feb 2023
- ASSW, Vienna, Feb 2023
- *..and many more*

