





INTERACT

International Network for Terrestrial Research and Monitoring in the Arctic

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INTERACT is a project of **SCANNET**

Four years funding of INTERACT (2011-2014)

(under EU's FP7 Infrastructure Programme (I3))

Originally (2011): 33 stations and 32 partners from 14 countries

Today (2014): 63 stations and > 50 partners from 18 countries





INTERACT Stations







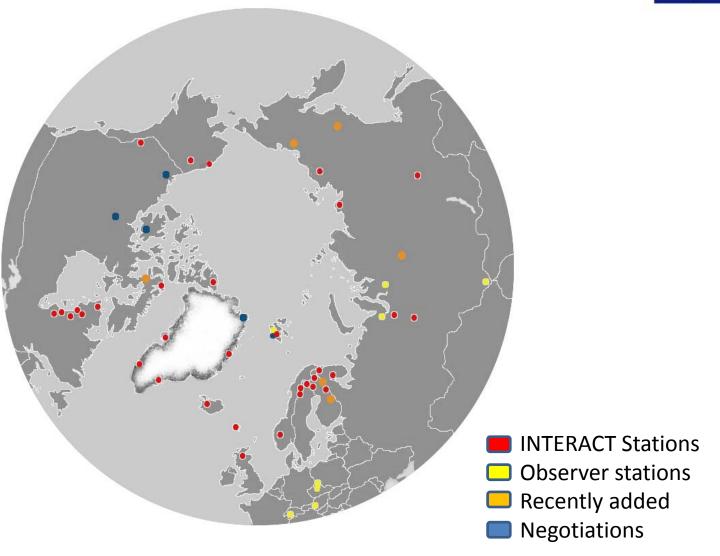














About INTERACT











Platform for circumarctic research or monitoring projects/programmes



Aim - To build capacity for research and monitoring in the Arctic

- identifying, understanding, predicting and responding to diverse environmental changes throughout the wide environmental and land-use envelopes of the Arctic.



International collaboration

Strengthen ties to international programmes and networks to improve coordination and contribute to circumarctic understanding of processes, identification of changes and adaptation.



INTERACT partners hosts and participate in international initiatives related to terrestrial monitoring and research - e.g. ABC, IASC, ISAC, SAON, CBMP, AMAP, GLORIA, IPA/CALM, ITEX, ICOS, ANAEE, INCREASE, LifeWatch and SIOS.













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INTERACT II?



- Call out under Horizon 2020 deadline 15 September.
- The call is for a network of terrestrial research stations in the Arctic
- Total funding: 10 mio. EURO for 2015-18
- Major suggestions for INTERACT II innovations:
- Transnational Access to more stations, incl. stations in Canada, USA and Russia



- Data Forum
- Red phone
- Developing cocepts for up-scaling, incl. drones (remote sensing), field camps, community based monitoring etc.











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