

## **Arctic Economic Development Forum**

The Wilson Center, Washington, D.C. Wednesday, 6 April 2016

*Hosted by The Wilson Center and Institute of the North, in association with the Senate Arctic Caucus, Arctic Economic Council, Alaska Arctic Council Host Committee and Arctic Parliamentarians.*

- 07.30 AM      **Registration opens** - Coffee available
- 08.15 AM      **Welcome**
- Congresswoman **Jane Harman**, President, Director and CEO, The Wilson Center
- The Promise of the Arctic: Reality, Richness, and Responsibility**
- The Honorable **Lisa Murkowski**, U.S. Senator, Alaska
  - The Honorable **Angus King**, U.S. Senator, Maine
- 09.00 AM      **Opportunities for and Barriers to Arctic Economic Development**  
Moderated by **Tara Sweeney**, Chair, Arctic Economic Council
- Mr. **Eero Hokannen**, Arctia Shipping, Finland
  - Mr. **Haukur Óskarsson**, Owner, Refskegg, Ltd.; Icelandic Arctic Chamber of Commerce
  - The Honorable **Magni Arge**, MP, Faroese Parliament; former CEO of Atlantic Airways
  - Mr. **Felix Tschudi**, Chairman & Owner, Tschudi Shipping, Norway
- 10.15 AM      **Break**
- 10.45 AM      **Advancing Living and Economic Conditions for Peoples of the North**  
Moderated by **David Biette**, Global Fellow, Polar Initiative, The Wilson Center
- Ms. **Julie Gourley**, Senior Arctic Official, U.S. Department of State
  - Ms. **Susan Harper**, former Senior Arctic Official, Global Affairs, Canada
  - Ms. **Else-Berit Eikeland**, Senior Arctic Official, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway
- Arctic Report**
- Ms. **Veronica Slajer**, North Star Group
- 12.00 PM      **Networking Lunch** – Sponsored by Guggenheim Partners
- 1.00 PM      **International Arctic Economic Development and Policy**  
Moderated by **Nils Andreassen**, Executive Director, Institute of the North
- The Honorable **Eirik Sivertsen**, MP, Nordland, Norwegian Parliament
  - The Honorable **Sjúrður Skaale**, MP, Faroe Islands, Danish Parliament

- The Honorable **Vladimir Torlopov**, Senator, Komi Republic, Russian Federation Council
- The Honorable **Lisa Murkowski**, U.S. Senator, Alaska

2.15 PM **Break**

2.45 PM **America's Arctic: Open for Business**

Moderated by Ms. **Drue Pearce**, Crowell & Moring

- Ms. **Peggy Philbin**, Select USA, U.S. Department of Commerce
- Ms. **Gail Schubert**, President & CEO, Bering Straits Regional Corporation
- Mr. **Bill Popp**, Anchorage Economic Development Corporation
- Ms. **Dana Eidsness**, Maine North Atlantic Development Office

4.00 PM **Arctic Investment Protocol Implementation**

- Mr. **Michael Perkinson**, Guggenheim Partners

**Concluding Discussion**

5.00 PM **Adjourn**

5:30 PM **Bus transportation** from The Wilson Center to Norwegian Ambassador's Residence

6.00 PM **Reception – Hosted by the Embassy of Norway**

Norwegian Ambassador's Residence, 3401 Massachusetts Avenue NW

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