

**The 15<sup>th</sup> International Arctic Ungulate Conference - AUC - in Jokkmokk, Sweden, 12-16 August 2019** is the next in a series of quadrennial conferences arranged by the Arctic Ungulate Society ([www.arcticungulate.org](http://www.arcticungulate.org)) in collaboration with national/local organisers.

The AUC conferences focus on research issues mainly related to reindeer, caribou and muskox in a broad perspective. The 15<sup>th</sup>

AUC is arranged by the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) as the main national organizer. Co-organizers are Ájtte Sami and Mountain Museum in Jokkmokk, the National Union of the Swedish Saami People (SSR), the Swedish Sami Parliament and the Nordic Centre of Excellence ReiGN-Reindeer Husbandry in a Globalizing North.

The conference will host five conference days with a one-day excursion on 14 August to Laponia world heritage area and the visitors centre in Stora Sjöfallet.

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#### Registration and call for papers

Registration will be opened 1st December 2018, when we will also announce the call for papers.

Find updated information at the conference website: [www.slu.se/AUC2019](http://www.slu.se/AUC2019), where you will also find a link to the registration page (when it has been opened).



# Welcome to the 15<sup>th</sup> International Arctic Ungulate Conference

**Jokkmokk, Sweden  
12-16 August 2019**



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## Tentative sessions

The scientific sessions will include oral and poster presentations. The program is planned to focus on the following tentative topics:

- Population demography
- Predation
- Land rights and management of land resources
- Animal health
- Taxonomy, genetics, domestication
- Human-animal interactions
- Reindeer husbandry in a changing world

There will be room for parallel sessions and workshops during the conference. Comments on the program and suggestions for workshops can be sent to the scientific committee (by mail to [birgitta.ahman@slu.se](mailto:birgitta.ahman@slu.se)).

## Scientific committee

Prof Bigitta Åhman (President of AUS), Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden,

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Dr Annette Löf, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden

Prof Jon Moen, Umeå University, Sweden

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Prof Bruce Forbes, University of Lapland, Finland

Dr Christine Cuyler, Greenland Institute of Natural Resources, Greenland

Dr Taras Sipko, Institute of Ecology and Evolution, Russian Academy of Science, Russia

Dr Kyle Joly, US National Park Service, Alaska, US

Prof Steeve Côté, Laval University, Canada

## Venue

[Jokkmokk/Jáhkkâmáhkke](#) is situated just north of the polar circle and an important heart of reindeer husbandry in the Swedish part of Sapmi. It has been the meeting place for Sami people and others for at least 400 years. Each year in beginning of February Jokkmokk holds one of the world's oldest [winter markets](#).

The 15th Arctic Ungulate Conference will take place in and around Jokkmokk, and the conference sessions will be held in Jokkmokks community hall.

You will reach Jokkmokk by night train from Stockholm or by flight to Luleå airport. The conference will provide bus transfer to and from Luleå airport at the start and end of the conference.

Excursion to [Stora sjöfallet/Stuor Muorkke](#), 140 km northwest from Jokkmokk, will bring you to the [Laponia World Heritage](#) area. Here, ancient Sámi land use and a spectacular landscape compete with large-scale hydropower development.



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