

# The Permafrost Young Researchers Network (PYRN): Integrating priorities for permafrost research over the next generation



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## About PYRN

- international organization established under the patronage of the International Permafrost Association (IPA)
- officially founded in November 2005 at the International Conference on Arctic Planning (ICARP II) and initiated during the 4th International Polar Year (IPY)
- fosters innovative collaboration, seeks to recruit, retain and promote future generations of permafrost researchers
- directs the multi-disciplinary talents of its membership toward global awareness, knowledge and response to permafrost-related challenges in a changing climate



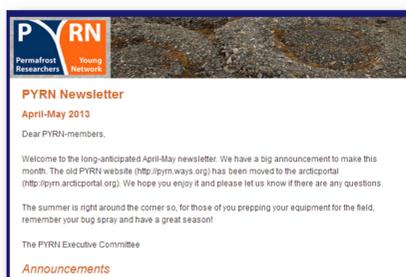
Executive Committee  
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National representatives  
National groups  
Thematic groups  
**1465 members from 47 countries**

## Established PYRN Activities

- Career development **workshops**, PYRN session **co-chairs**, **PYRN Outstanding Presentation Awards**, **social events** during regional and international permafrost conferences



- Workshops, sessions, and social network events during AGU, EGU, and other conferences



- **Newsletter** via PYRN mailing list
- **PYRN-Bib** – bibliography of theses completed in the field of permafrost – over 1000 references available in different formats, including an endnote-ready file

## Developing Research Priorities

PYRN was a co-organizer of the pre-EUCOP4

### Permafrost Young Researchers Workshop 2014



A major workshop focus was to elaborate the **future avenues of permafrost research** from a **young researchers' perspective**. One of the key outcomes is a young researcher contribution to the **IPA strategy for ICARP III** issued as a **“Permafrost Priority Sheet”** summarizing the discussions from the forum. This document is envisioned to contribute to an assessment of **research priorities** from an early career researcher perspective. It will feed into the final ICARP III meeting in Japan 2015, together with contributions from other initiatives.

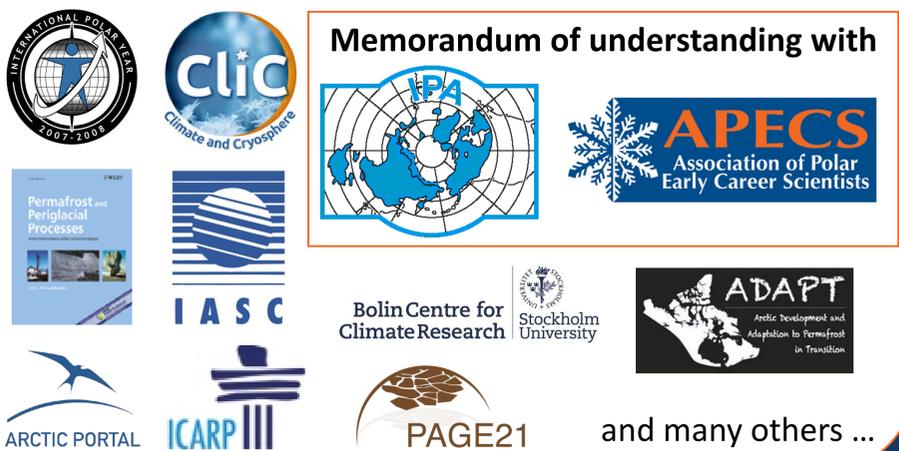


## PYRN @ ICOP2016

The 11th International Conference on Permafrost in 2016 (Potsdam, Germany) will provide a forum for many young researchers getting involved in a plethora of activities. PYRN has been involved in the **conference planning** from the very beginning to effectively integrate PYRN members in the process of ICOP2016 organization as well as **young researchers activities** in the overall conference program. The **conference logo** has been found through an international competition organized by PYRN.



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