

Information & practicalities for new Thematic Networks

Establishment of the new Thematic Network's webpage

The TN webpage content includes:

- Description
- Goals
- Activities
- Publications
- Other information
- Contacts: lead and possible vice-lead/s (Name, institution, email)
- List of partner institutions + information of the person involved (name, institution, email)
- A photo for the TN webpage

Thematic Networks categories:

Thematic Networks are listed under five categories (<http://www.uarctic.org/organization/thematic-networks/>). Your TN should be listed at least in one category.

- Business, Politics & Law
- Culture & Social Sciences
- Engineering & Technology
- Health & Education
- Humanities & Arts
- Natural Sciences

Keep your Thematic Network webpage always up-to-date. Send updates to Heli (heli.niittynen@uarctic.org).

Reporting & news

Report your TN activities using [online reporting form](#) either every time something happens or at least every three months. The link to the form will be sent by email to TN leads every three months (March, June, September, December). At the end of the year / in January, we will send you a full list of the annual activities that you have reported so that you can check it and send us a request to edit the list, if needed. The form can also be used for sending news to be published at the website.

- TN has the responsibility **to send news pieces** about the activities and received funding to be published at the UArctic website (UARctic main news page + linked to the TN's webpage)
 - o Activities/workshops/publications/funding or any news related to the network should be shared with the UArctic and a news story should be published at the UArctic website. This will **increase public awareness of the network and its activities and helps UArctic get an overview of the activities of the TN**
 - o The activities of thematic networks will be published in Shared Voices Magazine, based on the news
 - o Activity report goes also to the UArctic Board and outside the UArctic

Meetings with TN leaders and UArctic

Online meetings can be organized at any time with thematic network leaders as they wish, just contact Kirsi & Heli for setting up the time. In addition, joint TN group talks, online meetings are organized by TN office, usually these are done during autumn. These talks are organized by categories used at thematic networks website: business, politics and law, culture & social sciences, engineering and technology, health and education, humanities and arts, natural sciences (<https://www.uarctic.org/activities/thematic-networks/>). The goal of these group talks is to share information on coming TN activities and plans (with possible cooperation) and to get updates from TN office and UArctic.

Face-to-face meetings

The Thematic Networks & UArctic Institutes Leadership team, which consists of all individual Thematic Network and UArctic Institute leaders and vice-leaders, has annual joint meeting, which is usually organised as face to face meeting, but which can also be held completely online. Face to face meeting can be held in the conjunction with other event, such as UArctic Congress, or as a separate meeting for ensuring that nothing else is overlapping and for having time for discussions and getting to know each other.

Kirsi also informs TN leaders with information on wide funding opportunities, meetings, congresses, session proposals etc. via email list.

Video interviews

Video interviews with thematic networks leaders (via Zoom) have been conducted with all interested TN leaders during 2020 and 2021. Annually all new endorsed thematic networks are also invited for the video interview, with fixed set of questions. Guidelines and questions will be provided by TN office. The interviews (about 5 min.) have been added to the [UARctic Vimeo Channel](#), TN webpages and published as news.

UArctic website

UArctic Research Highlights

[UArctic Research Highlights](#) is a space for sharing with the broader UArctic community, policymakers, and general public. The research projects and initiatives, written by scientists from different Thematic Networks and UArctic Institutes as well as UArctic Chairs, will particularly focus on multidisciplinary studies that have a high academic impact and contribute to the wellbeing of Arctic communities and ecosystems.

UArctic Research Infrastructure Catalogue

The [UArctic Research Infrastructure Catalogue](#) is an online database for searching and identifying research infrastructures and facilities located at and operated by the UArctic member institutions.

The UArctic Research Infrastructure Catalogue features include:

- Worldwide search and identification of research infrastructures and facilities located at and operated by UArctic member institutions
- Increased awareness of the international research community and other stakeholders about research infrastructures
- Research collaboration possibilities
- Efficient use of research infrastructures and facilities

Arctic Learning Resources

- Openly available learning resources to be used as needed by the circumpolar higher education community
- More information: <https://research.uarctic.org/resources/arctic-learning-resources/>

Promote UArctic

- When the TN holds talks/conferences/seminars/make flyers/publications etc. the TN should always include the UArctic logo on the content
- UArctic Power Point presentation is available at the UArctic website to promote UArctic – it can be used also as templates for own TN presentations
- More information: <https://www.uarctic.org/members/promote/>

UARctic endorsement

- UARctic endorsement of academic activities is a prestigious additional sign of value for its member institutions and is proof of adherence to the UARctic Mission and Values.
- TN, same way as UARctic member organisations, can apply for endorsement of joint courses or curriculums
- More information: <https://www.uarctic.org/members/member-guide/member-benefits/uarctic-endorsement/>

UARctic support letters

- UARctic is dedicated to supporting the development of activities by its members and units. A UARctic support letter can help you document that your proposed activity or initiative is rooted in true international networking cooperation
- UARctic can make support letters for funding proposals
- More information: <https://www.uarctic.org/members/participate/support-letters/>

UARctic funding

Stable long-term funding from governments is a central part of UARctic's funding. National support varies from country to country, but it is typically targeted towards their own institutions' engagement in UARctic thematic networks, UARctic-related projects, and mobility. Most national funding also supports coordination of activities and programs that benefit the network more broadly. Currently national UARctic funding is granted via open calls by Denmark, Norway and Canada.

More information: <https://www.uarctic.org/about-us/supporters/>

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