Outcomes from Workshop Discussions

Climate Change for Arctic Seas and Shipping

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Conclusions and Outcomes

- ➤ Maritime industry, services and increased shipping in the Arctic: what kind of needs and requirements?
- ➤ Climate change projections for possibilities to increase ship traffic in Arctic
- Future scenarios of increased ship emissions, effects on atmospheric pollution, feedbacks on meteorology and climate
- ➤ Providing ice and maritime services and predicting capabilities for shipping in Arctic
- ➤ Forecasting extreme weather events for shipping in Arctic and link with climate change
- ➤ Requirements from end-users: what is needed for practical realization and mitigation scenarios?

Key Questions to Answer

- ➤ What is important for providing shipping (different types and purposes) in Arctic?
- ➤ What observations are providing max impact?
- ➤ What kind of atmosphere-ice-ocean-chemistry integration and seamless modelling is needed for modelling for shipping?
- ➤ How to utilize existing satellite data?
- ➤ How well we can predict ice conditions for shipping?
- Are we able to predict HIW in Arctic, e.g. Polar Low events? What is needed to improve such abilities?
- What new measurement technologies can be used? (vertical profiling, NRT data access, etc.)
- ➤ How to utilize and assimilate different data in models and predicting capabilities?
- Decreasing ice conditions leads to increasing fishing? How to manage such a problem? (to be included into social part of the PEEX Science Plan)

Some Examples and Approaches

- ➤ Integrated systems of modelling and observations
- ➤ Coupled Atmosphere-Ice-Ocean-Chemistry modelling systems
- ➤ New methods and different applications of satellite remote sensing for Arctic
- ➤ Satellite RS is extremely important for nowcasting of HIW in the Arctic (where Radars do not cover these large territories)
- > Data assimilation is one of key task for future developments
- ➤ Ships as a platform for observations in Arctic
- ➤ Polar Lows as one of the most important examples of problems
- ➤ Water/Ice combined surfaces, polynia problem for flux and ocean-atmosphere interaction
- ➤ Probabilistic risk assessments for shipping in Arctic

Platform for Collaboration

- Complex study of / services for shipping in the Arctic (CC, emission, HIW, ice services, etc.) is needed
- > PEEX as a great integrating platform
- ➤ PEEX Modelling Platform: extension by ocean and ice modelling is needed
- > WMO WWRP/ GAW/ WCRP as a global effort for Arctic
- Coordination with PPP and YOPP observation experiment (2017-2019), extension for aerosols and environmental studies
- ➤ Observations need to be harmonized: requirements (WMO RRR, WIGOS), recommendations from modelling community
- ➤ Model evaluation, analysis of prediction capabilities
- ➤ Different temporal (nowcasting, forecasting, seasonal, climate) and spatial scales are important