

Nordic Snow Network: Strengthening Collaboration and Advancing Snow Research

The Nordic Snow Network continued to strengthen Nordic and Arctic collaboration on snow research, education, and outreach. During the year, the network organized the National Seminar on Snow with approximately 50 participants representing universities, research institutes, and other organizations. The network also contributed to several project proposals, including Horizon Europe calls.

The Nordic Snow Network increased its international visibility through poster presentations at international workshops and conferences. In addition, the network contributed to organizing the European Geosciences Union (EGU) session on "Modelling and measuring snow processes across scales."

Key Activities

- The 13th National Seminar on Snow on 30-31 October 2025, in Oulu, Finland
- Polar Winter School on 12-18 April 2026 in Kilpisjärvi, Finland, funded by EGU (in collaboration with TN High Latitude Dust)
- Poster presentations at the 11th EARSel Workshop on Land Ice and Snow, 9 February 2026, Helsinki, Finland, and at the Arctic Science Summit Week, 29 March 2026, Aarhus, Denmark
- Contributed organizing the EGU session "Modelling and measuring snow processes across scales", 8 May 2026, Vienna, Austria



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Highlights of the upcoming activities

- National Seminar on Snow in Finland, 29-30 October 2026, Sodankylä, Finland
- Polar Winter School, March-April 2027, Abisko, Sweden
- Participation in upcoming project proposals
- Participation in international conferences
- Promotion of citizen science activities
- Establishment of an email list for interested participants
- Online networking meeting in autumn 2026

Impact of the Nordic Snow Network: Education, Awareness, and Collaboration

Student feedback from the Polar Winter School was highly positive, with most participants rating the course as excellent or good in all evaluated aspects. Students also indicated that they would recommend the course to others. The course increased participants' understanding of snow processes and the Arctic environment.

Poster presentations at international conferences increased awareness of the Nordic Snow Network among scientists from different disciplines and promoted opportunities for new collaborations.

The network aims to connect researchers and stakeholders across disciplines and to strengthen interdisciplinary collaboration related to changing snow conditions. The network also seeks to increase student knowledge of snow properties and measurement methods, while promoting citizen science contributions related to snow observations.



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