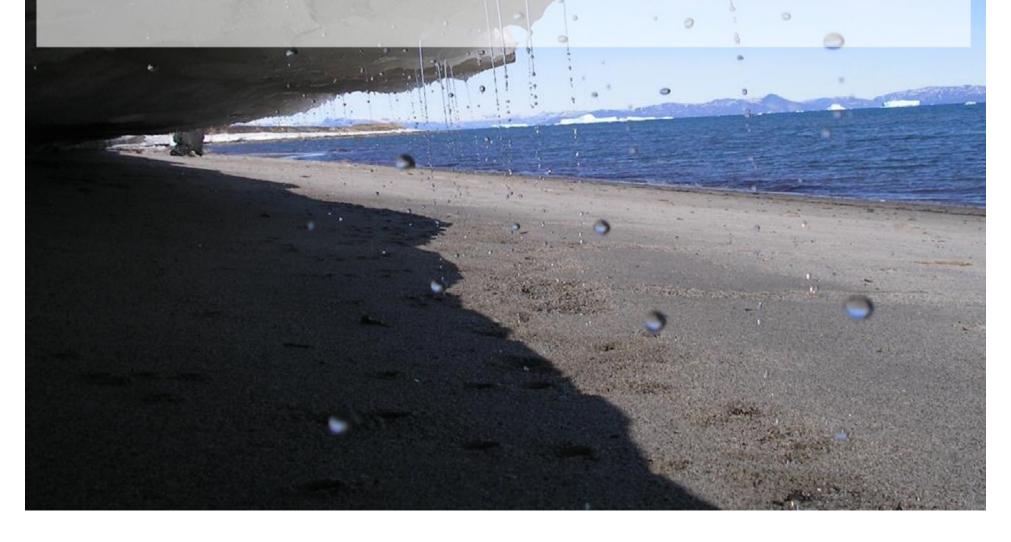


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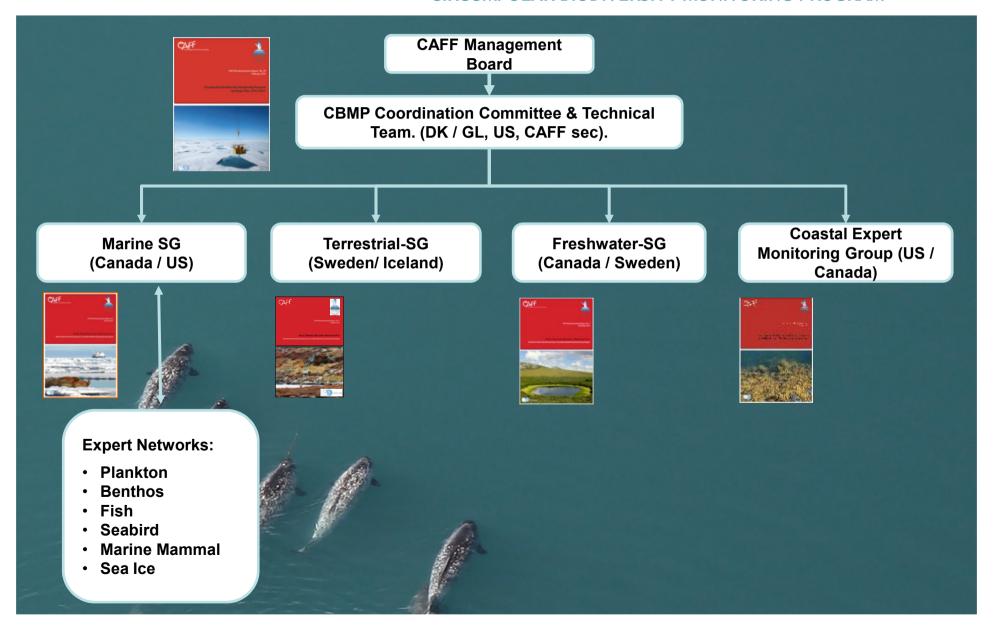
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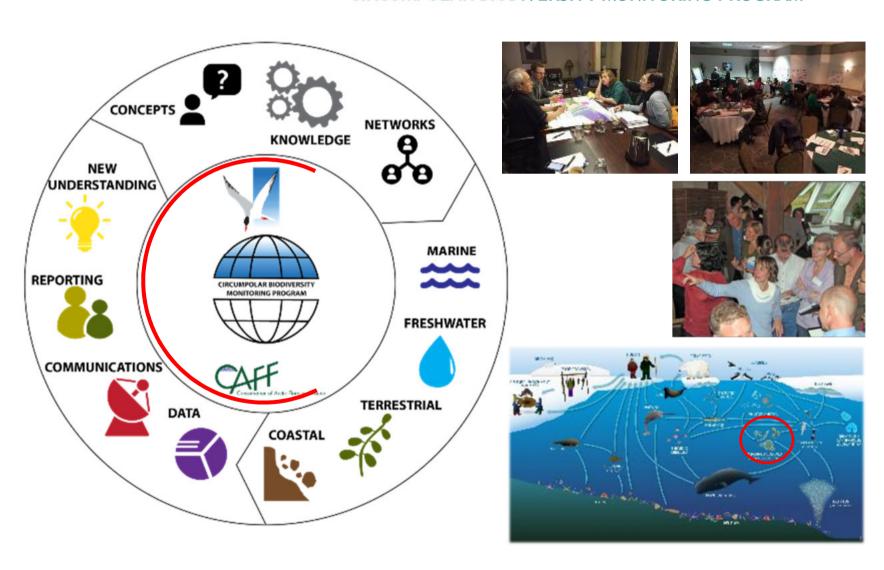






### CBMP – An adaptive monitoring programme



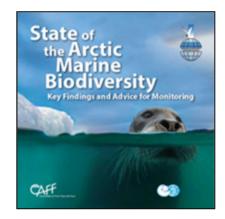


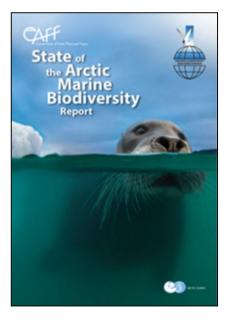


# First CBMP assessment: State of the Arctic Marine Biodiversity Report



- Published May 2017
- More than 70 authors
- Tells us what existing biodiversity monitoring programs and other data are able to say about changes in Arctic biodiversity and ecosystems
- Provides key trends on biodiversity AND advices for future monitoring, directed towards policy and decision makers







### SAMBR: FEC's include



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Focal Ecosystem Components: Key elements, changes in the status of which likely indicate changes in the overall marine environment.

#### Sea Ice Biota:

- Microbes
- Ice algae
- Ice meiofauna
- Ice macrofauna

#### Plankton:

- Phytoplankton and larger protists
- Microbial Eukaryotes
- Bacteria and Archaea
- Zooplankton

#### **Benthos:**

- Macrofauna (organisms larger than 1 mm)
- Megafauna (organisms that can be identified on photo/or caught by trawl)

#### Fish:

- Capelin
- Polar Cod
- Greenland halibut

#### Birds:

- Black-legged kittiwake
- Common murre
- Thick-billed murre
- Ivory gull
- Common eider
- Glaucous gull
- Least auklet
- Dovekie

### Marine mammals:

- Walrus
- Ringed seal
- Bearded seal
- Ribbon seal
- Harp seal
- Hooded seal
- Spotted seal
- Narwhal
- Beluga
- Bowhead whales
- Polar bear



### Subchapters about each FEC group

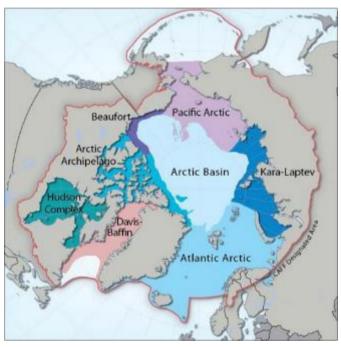


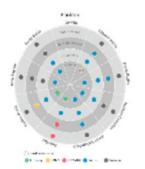
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The 6 FEC group subchapters will be of extreme value in the continued CBMP implementation

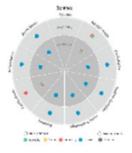
- Baselines/ trends on FEC's (if possible)
- Drivers of observed trends
- Comparisons between the AMA's (where possible)
- Current monitoring, monitoring gaps and advise for future monitoring
- Figures and tables on FEC's that are relatively easy to update based on future monitoring

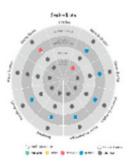
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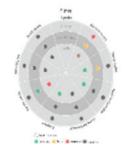






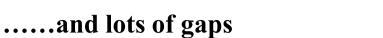




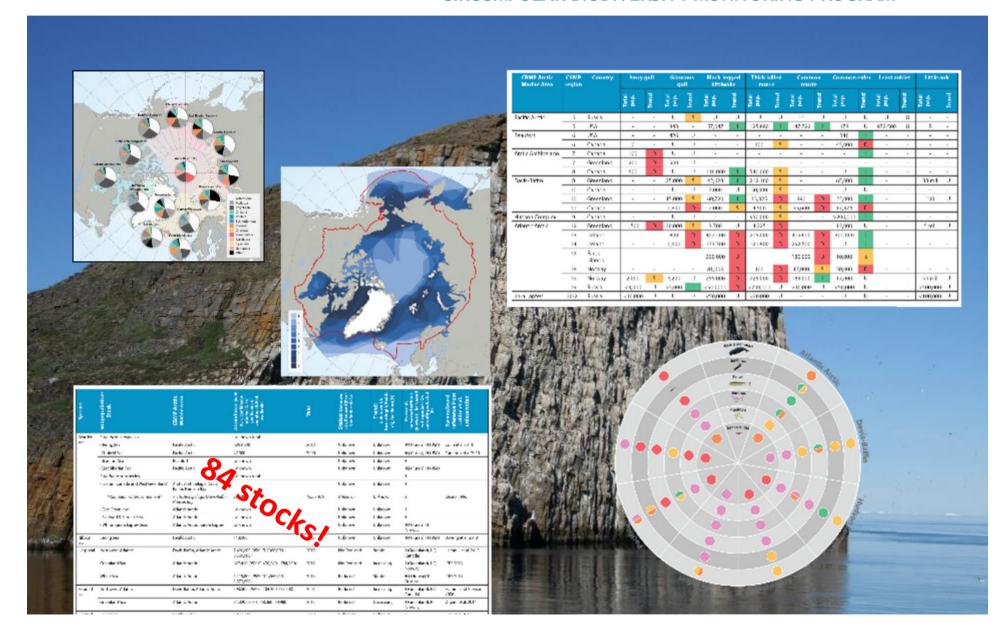




### Lots of data about FEC status and trends









### Some advice from SAMBR related to AMAP work





- Input appreciated on most relevant drivers of changes including;
  - Climate change (influence on currents, changes in duration of open water versus sea ice, the extent of seasonal ice cover, sea ice thickness, snow on sea ice, mixing of water column, increased freshwater in the surface layers etc.)
  - Ocean acidification (related to effects on biodiversity)
  - Contaminants (related to effects on populations)
  - Cumulative effects (climate change in relation to industrial development, oil and gas exploration, tourism, pollution, noise and shipping, harvest, fishery etc.)



### CBMP Strategic Plan



### CIRCUMPOLAR BIODIVERSITY MONITORING PROGRAM



### Plan approved and published in autumn 2017

Four overall goals are defined through a number of objectives and activities.

### **Examples on activities of relevance to future cooperation:**

- Align CBMP to support input .....into .... global reporting needs and explore how data might fit in to other reporting requirements
- Establish new partnerships and take national, Circumpolar and also global needs into account when planning follow up on the SABR's
- Report on changes in Arctic species, ecosystems, and the effects of stressors through SABRs;
- Consider impacts of stressors and drivers within reviews of the Arctic Biodiversity Monitoring Plans

