

Akvaplan-niva in Tromsø has received financial support from the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs' grant scheme Arctic 2030

A transatlantic innovation arena for sustainable development in the Arctic (CoArc)

The support is 14.3 million NOK and the project will run from 2016 to 2020.

Partners:

The partners in the project are UiT The Arctic University of Norway, the Institute of Marine Research, International Research Institute of Stavanger (IRIS) and Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Statoil is an industrial partner in the project.

The background for CoArc:

Norway and other Arctic countries in the North Atlantic have considerable natural resources in their ocean areas in the form of fisheries and petroleum deposits. It is of great importance to gain access to and develop these resources in a sustainable way so that the Arctic region's unique characteristics are maintained. To solve this challenge, innovative approaches and international cooperation are required.

CoArc goals:

The project will contribute to developing future-oriented and cost-effective solutions for environmental monitoring and risk assessments of offshore operations in the northern seas with emphasis on the development of decision-support tools for improved environmental management. The foundation of CoArc is high-quality research coupled with innovation activities.



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