

Korea - Norway

Marine Littering in the Arctic

- **Hybrid Seminar** Sources and distribution of marine litter in the Arctic [25 October Monday]
- **Photo exhibition** Marine litter in the Arctic - A global challenge [26 October Tuesday - 14 November Sunday]

Joint Greeting

The Arctic is considered a pristine area, but as everywhere else in the world, the problem of marine littering is getting increasingly visible and poses a threat to marine and coastal ecosystems. We need to understand more about Arctic-specific marine littering sources, including the pathways and distribution, and how they affect Arctic ecosystems to reverse marine pollution and protect the marine environment.

The Royal Norwegian Embassy in Seoul, Korea Maritime Institute (KMI), Korea Polar Research Institute (KOPRI), and Korea National Maritime Museum (KNMM), aim to increase awareness about the problem of marine pollution and communicate research findings on how it affects Arctic ecosystems by jointly hosting a seminar and a photo exhibition in Busan, the biggest ocean city in the Republic of Korea. We will invite representatives from industry, government, and research as well as students to discuss what measures can be implemented to combat the global challenge that marine pollution poses.

We truly hope you will join our efforts to ensure a clean and rich Arctic Ocean for the future.

1. Hybrid Opening of Exhibition & Seminar

- **Time & Date** 15:00 - 15:50 on 25 October Monday (in Korea)
- **Venue** Auditorium Room (www.knmn.or.kr) / Youtube Live Streaming
- **Language** English and Korean

Time	Program
15:00 - 15:30	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kim Tae-Man, Chief Director of Korea National Maritime Museum• Frode Solberg, Norwegian Ambassador to the ROK• Kang Sung-Ho, President of Korea Polar Research Institute• Kim Jong-Deog, Acting President of Korea Maritime Institute
15:30 - 15:50	Tape-cutting and Exhibition Tour (Online and Offline)

2. Hybrid Seminar

- **Time & Date** 16:00 - 17:30 on 25 October Monday (in Korea)
- **Venue** Exhibition Hall (www.knmn.or.kr) / Youtube Live Streaming
- **Language** English and Korean

Moderated by Frode Solberg, Norwegian Ambassador to the ROK

Time	Program
16:00 - 16:15	Fate of microplastics in the western Arctic ocean and its importance in Arctic and global budget • Kim Seung-Kyu, Incheon National University
16:15 - 16:30	Plastic littering in the Arctic • Geir Wing Gabrielsen, Norwegian Polar Institute
16:30 - 16:50	The Role of GOMPLAR and Korea to fight Marine Litter in the Arctic • Kim Min-Su, Korea Maritime Institute & Anne Katrine Normann, Nofima (Norwegian institute of Food, Fisheries and Aquaculture Research)
16:50 - 17:05	Microplastic pollution in the Norwegian Arctic • Claudia Halsband, Akvaplan
17:05 - 17:30	Round talks with the speakers (Discussants: 2 students from Korea / 2 students from Norway)

How to Join

- **RSVP Now** - Name / Organization / Email [바로 참여하기](#)
- **Prize Event** - Enter the competition by sending pre-questions to the speakers (5 people on the first come first served basis)



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