

# Arctic Yearbook 2019: Redefining Arctic Security

**Call for Abstracts (deadline): 1 March 2019 (250-400 words)**

**Draft papers (deadline): 15 June 2019 (4000-6000 words)**

The Arctic Yearbook (<https://arcticyearbook.com>) is calling for abstracts for the 2019 edition.

The Arctic Yearbook is an international and peer-reviewed volume which focuses on issues of regional governance, development, circumpolar relations, and geopolitics, all broadly defined. It is an open access, online publication. The Arctic Yearbook is an initiative of the [Northern Research Forum](#) (NRF) and [University of the Arctic](#)'s joint Thematic Network on Geopolitics and Security.

This year's theme is **“Redefining Arctic Security”**. This theme aims to inform, critique and expose current analyses and narratives about Arctic security. How do we understand Arctic security in 2019? How has our understanding of the concept evolved since 1987, or 1996, or 2007? What are the main risks and challenges to Arctic security, and whom is threatened (the most)? Whose security/security for whom are we talking about? What approaches have policy makers taken to mitigate Arctic security risks, and how effective have they been?

The Arctic Yearbook 2019 aspires to provide the most comprehensive, authoritative and current compendium on Arctic security related matters, broadly defined.

Topics might include: (re)defining Arctic security from the point of view of different concepts of, and discourses on, security (traditional, environmental, human, civic security); defining and discussing security actors in the Arctic region and their interests and interrelations; distinctions between stewardship, security and sovereignty in the Arctic; assessments of Arctic military assets, exercises and procurements in historical context; national security strategies (and their implementations); search and rescue efforts and coordination (e.g. the SAR Agreement) for security; confidence building measures (CBMs) and their importance (e.g. the Arctic Coast Guard Forum); human security (environmental, economic, cultural and civic security) as it relates to and is manifested in the Arctic region; critical analyses of the Arctic as a securitized space; military-civilian relationships in the Arctic; and environmental impacts of military activities (in peace time).

Other topics of contemporary significance to northern peoples, circumpolar relations, Arctic development or governance will also be welcome.

Abstracts should be 250-400 words and include author name(s), institutional affiliation and article title, to be submitted to [heather.exner@usask.ca](mailto:heather.exner@usask.ca). The deadline for abstracts is March 1, 2019. Notice of acceptance will be provided on March 15, 2019. Articles must be submitted by June 15, 2019. Publication is planned for October 2019.

We also welcome proposals for commentaries (1-3 page opinion pieces) and briefing notes (4-7 page analyses) from experts and policymakers on current issues and events.

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