

Northern Dimension Institute | Future Forum 2020

ND Future Forum 2020: Curbing Black Carbon Emissions in the Northern Dimension Area

Timing: Tuesday, November 24, 2020, 12-4 pm CET

Preliminary program

Moderator: Rene Wyndham

Opening (20 min)

Opening words

Prof. **Riitta Kosonen**, Director of the Northern Dimension Institute, Finland

Greetings from the NDI, NDEP, EU, Russia, Norway, Iceland (as recorded video greetings).

Session 1: Discussing the strategies to reduce the environmental impact of black carbon emissions (1,5 h)

Keynote presentations:

- The multiple pathways needed to reduce emissions of black carbon affecting the Arctic, Dr. **Mikael Hildén**, Director, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), the EU-funded Action on Black Carbon.

Commentary panel

- **Mr. Francois Wakenhut**, Head of Unit, Clean Air, DG ENV
- **Dr. Veronika Ginzburg**, Senior Scientist, Institute of Global Climate and Ecology
- **Mr. Vasily Zinin**, Executive Director, Russian Natural Gas Vehicle Association
- **Dr. Shardul Agrawala**, Head, Environment and Economy Integration Division OECD Environment Directorate
- (tbc)

Break 20 min

Session 2: Health effects of black carbon emissions and ways of reducing them (1,5 h)

Keynote presentation:

- Health effects of black carbon in the Northern Dimension area, Dr. **Raimo O. Salonen**, Chief Medical Officer, Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare (THL)

Commentary panel

- **Mr. Kaarle Kupiainen**, Senior Specialist. Environmental Protection Department, Ministry of the Environment of Finland
- **Dr. Tatiana Unguryanu**, Professor, Northern State Medical University
- **Dr. Päivi Aakko-Saksa**, Principal Scientist, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland
- **Mr. Zbigniew Klimont**, Senior Research Scholar, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA)

Conclusion: Mr. *Jari Vilén*, Ambassador for Barents and Northern Dimension, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland.

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