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The 15th Polar Law Symposium (PLS) will be held in Reykjavík, Iceland, 12-14 October 2022. The Polar Law Institute and the Center for Arctic Studies at the University of Iceland will be co-hosting the Symposium in partnership with the Arctic Circle.

The call for presentations for inclusion on the PLS agenda has been extended to **15 May 2022**.

An advisory committee is composed of Gudmundur Alfredsson (Stefansson Arctic Institute), Pia Hansson (University of Iceland), Julia Jabour (University of Tasmania), Timo Koivurova (University of Lapland) Akiho Shihata (University of Kobe), and Embla Eir Oddsdóttir (Icelandic Arctic Cooperation Network). Jonathan Wood, Symposium Manager and PhD fellow at the University of Iceland will be heading a planning committee with the members currently consisting of Federica Scarpa, (Icelandic Arctic Cooperation Network – IACN) and Snæfríður Grímsdóttir (Centre for Arctic Studies).

Polar law is a field of law that deals with the international, domestic, sub-national legal regimes that are applicable to the Arctic or the Antarctic, or both. The concept also includes aspects of governance and management, geopolitics, security, and social issues. For a more detailed understanding, please refer to the [Yearbook of Polar Law](#), the [Polar Law Textbooks I](#) and [II](#), and browse previous topics addressed in the [Polar Law Symposia on the PLS website](#).

Abstract Submission

The PLS Advisory Committee particularly welcomes submissions on the Arctic and Antarctic including, but not limited to topics addressing:

- Legal regimes in the Arctic and Antarctic within the fields of international law, national law, and regional law
- Arctic and Antarctic Governance & Policy
- Constitutional developments
- Sovereignty issues and boundary disputes on land and sea, land resource claims
- Human Rights, rights of Indigenous Peoples, decolonization and reconciliation
- Environmental law, Transitional Justice, Energy Justice, and Environmental Justice
- Biodiversity, wildlife use, and governance of natural resources
- Indigenous Peoples and Minorities, Self-Governance and Good Governance
- Law of the Sea, Shipping, and Fisheries Agreements
- International Arctic marine governance and management
- Arctic Geopolitics and Security, including Non-Military Aspects
- Gender Equality in the Arctic
- Development Economics in the Arctic and Arctic Economies and business
- Future of Polar Law: existing and new challenges
- Sustainable and inclusive Development, Food security
- Policy - Relevant-Science within the context of Arctic; Antarctica and the third pole

Submission Guidelines

Proposals should be sent to **Jonathan Wood**: wood.jonathan.w@gmail.com no later than **15 May 2022**. Presentations are expected to be 10-12 minutes long.

Proposal(s) shall include:

- Title of the proposal
- Topic
- Abstract (max. 500 words)
- Name(s) and a short bio of the proposed speaker(s)
- Proposals should not have been published previously, nor be under consideration for publication elsewhere

For any further info, please contact Jonathan Wood: wood.jonathan.w@gmail.com.