



SAON ROADS Advisory Panel

19th August 2025, 14-15:30 UTC, 16-17:30 CEST, 10-11:30 am EDT

1. Welcome and Review of Agenda

The SAON ROADS Advisory Panel (AP) meeting was opened by Co-chair Sandy Starkweather as she welcomed participants to today's teleconference (List of participants Appendix 1) and referenced today's agenda that will focus on the review of Phase II documentation for the Permafrost Expert Panel (Appendix 2).

2. Review of Phase II documentation for Permafrost Expert Panel

Heikki Lihavainen, as Champion of the Permafrost Expert Panel (EP), introduced this documentation that is ready for the AP review (see [ROADS Permafrost Phase 2 - Societal benefits analysis](#)). The participants took time during the meeting to read the documentation and to individually complete the [Evaluation form](#). This was followed by a brief discussion of the highlights of their evaluations. Additional evaluation comments will be gathered from the AP and provided back to Heikki.

Action Item: *Advisory Panel members are asked to complete the Evaluation form for the ROADS Permafrost Phase II documentation as soon as possible.*

3. Other Business –

Jan Rene Larsen reported that another AP Partnership meeting will be held during ISAR-8 (Eighth International Symposium on Arctic Research) that will take place 28-31 October 2025 in Hachioji City of Tokyo, Japan.

4. Actions Items Recap and Closing Remarks

- Action items are highlighted under the relevant agenda items.
- The next regular meeting will be September 16, 2025 at 14-15:30 UTC, 16-17:30 CET, 10-11:30 am EST

Appendix 1

Participants ROADS Advisory Panel Meeting

August 19, 2025 Teleconference

Advisory Panel Member Participants

Alona Alexia, University of the North
Heikki Lihavainen, Arctic PASSION & SIOS, Co-Chair of SAON CON
Margaret Rudolf, RNA CoObs (& Food Security Expert Panel)
Sandy Starkweather, NOAA, USA – ROADS AP Co-Chair
Tetsuo Sueyoshi, JAMSTEC/NIPR, Japan

Member Regrets Absent

Christine Barnard, ArcticNet, Canada
João Canário, University of Lisbon, Portugal & IASC
Cathy Coon, CBMP/CAFF
Lauren Divine, Aleut International Association (AIA) – ROADS AP Co-Chair
Ola Grabak, European Space Agency, Earth Observation Directorate
Hanna K Lappalainen, PEXX
Sten Lund, Government of Greenland
Ilkka Matero, SIOS (Permafrost Expert Panel)
Tero Mustonen, SnowChange
Gier Otterson, Institute of Marine Research, Norway
Volker Rachold, AWI Germany
Andrea Spolaor, CNR, Italy
Mikko Strahlendorff, FMI, Finland
Victoria Qutuuq Buschman, ICC
Katriina Veijola, FMI, Wildfires EP (Wildfire Expert Panel)
Chantelle Verhey, World Data Systems (WDO), International Technology Office (ITO) &
Co-chair SAON Arctic Data Committee
Talia Wells, Arctic Institute of North America, (Sea Ice Expert Panel)

Advisory Panel Ex-Officio members

SAON Secretariat – Jan Rene Larsen
SAON – IASC Fellow – Izuchukwu O Ezukanma - absent

Appendix 2 - Agenda – ROADS Advisory Panel

Teleconference

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Teams:

https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_OGNkNzImY2UtNDM2OC00MmU2LWJmYjktOWYwMzMzYjNjYTVi%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%22e85164ec-9598-49a2-98a1-709a3f29cfc6%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22201df34a-7bdc-4596-b7a2-09094429e16e%22%7d

Workspace for agendas and meeting notes:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1rm3aGZcGuKaVMagkNNpU8sOEzEChKWns>

1. Welcome (Lauren, 5 min)
2. Review of Phase II documentation for permafrost (Heikki):
 - [ROADS Permafrost Phase 2 - Societal benefits analysis](#)
 - [Evaluation form](#)
3. AOB (Jan, 5 min)
 - Partnership meeting during ISAR-8
4. Actions items recap and closing remarks (Lauren, 5 min)
 - ROADS documentation updates
 - Next Meeting September 16, 2025 at 14-15:30 UTC, 16-17:30 CEST, 10-11:30 am EDT

Please reserve the third Tuesday every month 16-1730 CET / 10-1130 am EST / 14-1530 UTC. Agenda and other meeting documents will be made available here:

<https://roadsadvisorypanel.org/meeting-documents>