

**TRANSFORM DK 2023 Conference - relevant literature on ARCTIC-Greenland**  
Related to **Kuupik Kleist**, ICC-Greenland, at Transform!Danmark conference 11th of March 2023.

### 1. *Most relevant for Greenland/the Arctic*

[Inuit.org | The Arctic Council is not the Arctic Council without Indigenous Peoples](#)

Position Paper of Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) on Climate Change.

[Inuit.org | COP 27: ICC Position Paper](#)

[Inuit.org | Inuit: Arctic climate change is now a global reality](#)

By Sara Olsvig:

[Greenland's ambiguous action space: testing internal and external limitations between US and Danish Arctic interests: The Polar Journal: Vol 12, No 2 \(tandfonline.com\)](#)

Duroyan Fertl interviews Aaja Chemnitz Larsen, Member of the Danish Parliament for Inuit Ataqatigiit:

["We need to collaborate with Denmark, but in a more equal way" \(Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung Büro Brüssel\) \(rosalux.eu\)](#)

[The Arctic's Iceless Upheaval – CounterPunch.org](#)

*The Indigenous World* is a yearly publication, and includes a chapter on Greenland; the latest edition is from 2022; see all editions:

[The Indigenous World - IWGIA - International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs](#)

[eom-statement-denmark-greenland-sr-indigenous-2023-02-10.pdf \(ohchr.org\)](#)

José Francisco Cali Tzay **Denmark and Greenland: UN expert calls for greater effort to create inclusive societies**

Article from *Le Monde Diplomatique*: *Greenland is not for sale. The Norwegian version is now freely accessible.*

[Små skritt mot uavhengighet for Grønland | Le Monde diplomatique \(lmd.no\)](#)

[Greenland is not for sale, by Philippe Descamps \(Le Monde diplomatique - English edition, March 2023\)](#)

[The Winds of the New Cold War Are Howling in the Arctic Circle: The Second Newsletter \(2023\) \(thetricontinental.org\)](#)

Article in Danish 'Greenland as a foreign and security policy actor', in ed 'Security policy in the Arctic and North Atlantic'. Olsvik is PhD student at Greenland University and presently president of ICC; Pram Gad is researcher at DIIS. This article is a relevant reflection of present discussions in Greenland. The book, as such, is a reflection of strategic discussions in Denmark: dominated by the military and military thought. 11 of 16 authors are from Royal Danish Defense College, the Center for Military Studies og Center for War Studie, and 5 of these are military officers.

Sara Olsvig og Ulrik Pram Gad, "**Grønland som udenrigs- og sikkerhedspolitisk aktør**", in Jon Rahbek Clemmensen & Camilla T.N.Sørensen (eds.): *Sikkerhedspolitik i Arktisk og Nordatlanten*. København, 2021.

## **2. articles involving University of Lapland – much emphasis on the EU, so relevant for this info:**

[The European Union's Arctic Policy in the Light of Russia's War against Ukraine | The Arctic Institute – Center for Circumpolar Security Studies](#)

[EU Arctic Policy 2021 \(thearcticinstitute.org\)](#)

[The EU's New Strategic Arctic Policy | Internationale Politik Quarterly \(ip-quarterly.com\)](#)

[Can the EU's Arctic policy find true north? – CEPS](#)

[stepien\\_raspotnik\\_cepob\\_5-19\\_0\\_0.pdf \(coleurope.eu\)](#) *The EU's Arctic Policy: Between Vision and Reality*

[CommentaryonEPResolution-Raspotnik-Stepien-4-2017-Lauda.pdf \(ulapland.fi\)](#) *THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT HEADING TOWARDS ICY ARCTIC WATERS – AGAIN*

[Arctic cooperation in a new situation: Analysis on the impacts of the Russian war of aggression \(valtioneuvosto.fi\)](#)

[Introduction \(eprd.pl\)](#) *Overview of EU actions in the Arctic and their impact*

[Oops, they did it again: The European Union's 2021 Arctic Policy Update | The Arctic Institute – Center for Circumpolar Security Studies](#)

## **3. Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC)**

The **Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC)** is an international Indigenous Peoples' Organization representing approximately 180.000 Inuit living in the Arctic regions of Alaska, Canada, Greenland and Chukotka, Russia.

The principal goals of ICC are:

- To strengthen unity among Inuit of the Circumpolar region
- To promote Inuit rights and interests on the international level
- To ensure and further develop Inuit culture and society for both the present and future generations
- To seek full and active participation in the political, economic, and social development in our homelands
- To develop and encourage long-term policies which safeguard the Arctic environment
- To work for international recognition of the human rights of all Indigenous Peoples

**ICC'S INTERNATIONAL INVOLVEMENT**     [Inuit.org | Our work](#)

ICC is involved in different international fora.

Read here about the most important ones; the UN and the Arctic Council.

### **ICC INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

- ICC on ECOSOC, Category II list
- ICC Member of World Conservation Union, IUCN
- International Whaling Commission
- North Atlantic Marine Mammal Commission (NAMMCO)
- CONCO UN's Organization for NGO's
- EARTH CHARTER
- Arctic Parliamentarians

- Nordic Council
- Arctic Council's Indigenous Peoples Secretariat
- ICARP, International Conference on Arctic Research Planning
- And many other

## **ICC AND THE UN SYSTEM**

As an NGO and an Indigenous Peoples Organisation (IPO) Inuit Circumpolar Council is ECOSOC accredited as having consultative status (category II list). This means that ICC can have participants and observers at the different UN bodies' meetings and sessions.

The United Nations has three different bodies that work directly with Indigenous Peoples issues. The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) under ECOSOC, The Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (EMRIP) and the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples, both under the Human Rights Council.

## **ARCTIC COUNCIL**

The Arctic Council was first inaugurated in 1996. The Council, at that time, incorporated the former Arctic Environmental Protection Strategy (AEPS) through which ICC accomplished much of its environmental work. The Arctic Council was first conceived as an intergovernmental organization in which all 8 Arctic governments, along with the Arctic's indigenous peoples' organizations, would have an open forum in which to discuss any matter of common concern. ICC was given a strong mandate from the 1998 General Assembly to work hard within the Arctic Council so that it will make a positive difference for circumpolar Inuit.

ICC obtained Permanent Participant (PP) status in the Arctic Council and its working groups. The Arctic Council consists of the eight Arctic national states Canada, Finland, Iceland, the Kingdom of Athabaskan Council, Gwich'in Council International and ICC.

ICC Greenland does not, as earlier, have academic expertise to participate in the scientific working groups, which is why these areas are handled by ICC Alaska and ICC Canada. ICC Greenland therefore participates exclusively in the SAO meetings and the SDWG meetings.

## **UNDRIP**

United Nations Declaration on Indigenous Peoples Rights – De Forenede Nationers Deklaration om Oprindelige Folks Rettigheder

UNDRIP sætter i dag rammerne for Oprindelige Folks Rettigheder og hvad staterne kan og ikke kan

## **FPIC**

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Princippet handler om at alle tiltag og beslutninger vedr. oprindelige folk, kun kan tages efter forudgående konsultationer og accept fra disse eller det modsatte.

## **Nothing about us without us – Intet om os udenom os**

Er et princip som holdes i hævd af mange oprindelige folks organisationer verden over. Det handler om at der ikke kan snakkes/diskuteres vedrørende oprindelige folk, uden at vi selv deltager og giver vores besyv med.