Gender equality and beyond in the polar sciences

Women’s involvement in Antarctic science has grown in recent decades, with women now playing leading and influential roles in Antarctic research at all levels. Nonetheless, significant barriers to gender equality still exist. Recognising this, as well as barriers faced by people of all historically excluded backgrounds, the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR) established an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Action Group (AG) in 2021. This webinar, organised by SCAR, will therefore provide insights into the barriers faced by women and other marginalised groups from four different perspectives within polar research. Afterwards the speakers and five more members from the SCAR EDI AG will be there for an open discussion.

**Agenda**

**Opening remarks**

**Speakers:**
- Pilvi Muschitiello | Equity, Diversity and Inclusion in international organisations - insights from SCAR
- Angus Aldis | Polar Challenges: Access Polar and the need for Disabled Inclusion and Representation in Polar Research
- Kimberley Aitken | Nurturing the 1 in Diversity
- Anne Treasure | Gender equality and beyond in the polar sciences - A South African Perspective

Panel discussion with speakers and members of SCAR EDI AG

**Date and Time**

Thursday
July 20th, 2023
1:00-3:00 PM CEST

**Link to Register**


**Speakers**

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SCAR EDI Action Group and DiPSI, British Antarctic Survey

Angus Aldis
Accessibility in Polar Research

Kimberley Aitken
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Anne Treasure
South African Polar Research Infrastructure
Continent breakdown of registered participants. N=109
Gender breakdown of registered participants. N=109

Female

Prefers not to answer

Male
Very diverse state of career. About 3/4 gave an answer.

Undergraduate students, PhD students, post docs, assistant professors, associate professors, full professors, researchers, emerita professors, administrators, consultants, etc …

Interest for gender equality in science at all possible states of career and in various professions!