



SCAR OPEN SCIENCE CONFERENCE, XXXIII SCAR BIENNIAL MEETINGS, AND XXVI COMNAP AGM

23 August to 3 September 2014,
New Zealand



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Global Messages from Antarctica

Antarctica New Zealand and the Royal Society of New Zealand look forward to welcoming COMNAP, SCAR and the Open Science Conference participants to Auckland and Christchurch, New Zealand in August and early September 2014.

The SCAR Open Science Conference in Auckland will focus on **Global Messages from Antarctica** and how the changes that we are currently seeing in Antarctica will affect the rest of the World. In addition to regular oral and poster sessions, morning plenary sessions will address the following themes which are expected to be of wide interest;

- Antarctic Conservation
(Joint SCAR-COMNAP session; Steven Chown)
- Innovation in Antarctic Science
(Martin Siegert, Charlie Lee, Maria Velikova)
- Connections between the southern continents
(Marcelo Leppe)

Key-note lectures

on the opening day of the SCAR OSC will include;

- Global Messages from Antarctica. Dana Bergstrom
- Deciphering past climate and ice sheet dynamics from sedimentary records. Carlota Escutia (Antarctic Science Lecture)
- Southern Ocean Acidification. Richard Bellerby (Weyprecht Lecture)
- Martha T Muse Lecture. Winner for 2014 to be announced.

Schedule of Events

August & September 2014

23 August	Subsidiary group meetings and workshops, Auckland Details will be available on website from 2nd December
24 August	APECS workshop on Science communication
24 & 29 August	SCAR Business Meetings, Auckland
24 August	SCAR and COMNAP Icebreaker
25-28 August	SCAR Open Science Conference, Auckland
26 August	SCAR/COMNAP Conservation Symposium, Auckland
27-29 August	COMNAP Annual General Meeting, Chateau on the Park Hotel, Christchurch
29-31 August	IceFest weekend, Christchurch
1-3 September	SCAR Delegates' Meeting, Auckland

Registration Fees

Earlybird	NZ\$625 before end May 2014
Regular	NZ\$825 before end July 2014
Late	NZ\$900 after end July 2014
Students	NZ\$350 The first 200 international student registrants will receive a NZ\$250 grant.

Key dates

2 December	Registration opens
14 February	Abstract submission closes

Abstract Submission for the SCAR Open Science Conference

Abstract submission is now open on the conference web site www.scar2014.com. A complete list of conference session themes is on the website. If you are submitting an abstract for an oral or poster session, please view the full list including session descriptions and select the most suitable theme. Abstract submission closes on 14th February 2014.

Auckland Convention Centre

The SCAR meetings will be held at SKYCITY Auckland Convention Centre located in the heart of Auckland. The Centre is conveniently situated near Queen Street (the central city's retail strip).

Accommodation in Auckland

Special accommodation rates have been arranged with hotels in close proximity to the Conference venue. Rates start at \$NZ131 per night including tax (GST). A full list of accommodation options and booking details will be available when registration opens in December. Budget options will also be available.

NZ IceFest - Bringing Antarctica to the World

This unique festival aims to bring the world's attention to the importance of Antarctica and the Southern Ocean through fun and interactive experiences. NZ IceFest 2014 will be hosting a taster of activities during the SCAR OSC and COMNAP AGM.

NZ IceFest Auckland 25 - 28 August

Inspiring evening series during the SCAR OSC, including music, film and photography.

NZ IceFest Christchurch 29 - 31 August

Travel to Christchurch directly following the OSC and be a VIP at the NZ IceFest launch and exclusive premier of our two major exhibitions. An action packed weekend of events will be held in the Gateway city providing a unique opportunity to experience some NZ IceFest magic, directly engaging with students and networking with COMNAP delegates. Make the most of your journey and experience some of the natural wonders New Zealand's South Island has to offer.

Programming for NZ IceFest is underway and the line-up is looking exciting! Details will be released as they are confirmed. See more information online www.nzicefest.co.nz

For full details see www.scar2014.com and www.comnap.aq

