



# MEOPAR

## Schedule: Annual Scientific Meeting

**June 20-22, 2017  
Montreal, Quebec**

**Tuesday, June 20**

**5:00 PM Partner Reception**

**Wednesday, June 21**

**8:00 AM Breakfast**

**9:00 AM Opening Remarks**

**9:20 AM Panel: Shipping Risk**

There are many risks associated with marine shipping; the environment impacts the vessels, and vice versa. This panel will discuss some of the key issues which MEOPAR can help improve.

**10:25 AM Networking Break**

**11:00 AM Panel: Arctic Shipping Cluster**

Operating ships in the Arctic presents many unique challenges related to the operating environment, the remoteness, and implications for Northern communities. MEOPAR is investigating several aspects of this complex, interdisciplinary subject.

**12:05 PM Lunch – Keynote Presentation:** Details to be confirmed.

**1:10 PM Panel: Partnered Call (Safe Shipping / Oil and Sea Ice)**

This fall, MEOPAR will be releasing a Call for Proposals with multiple components. Two of the partnered components are “Safe Shipping” and “Oil and Sea Ice”. This panel will host involved partners so that interested applicants can understand and discuss partner expectations in a public forum.

**2:00 PM Year of Polar Prediction presentations**

MEOPAR, Polar Knowledge Canada (POLAR) and the Arctic Research Foundation (ARF) released a Call for Proposals on the Year of Polar Prediction (YOPP) as the first partnered

call of Cycle II. Five proposals were selected for funding. This panel will host a 5-minute presentation by each new project on their planned direction.

**2:30 PM      Networking Break**

**3:05 PM      Panel: Volunteer Observing Ships**

This panel discussion will host current MEOPAR investigators and partners involved in the opportunities and challenges of using “Volunteer Observing Ships” (VOS) for research.

**3:55 PM      Student Posters Presentations / Reception**

Opportunity for students to present their research, as well as a networking reception.

### **Thursday, June 22**

**8:00 AM      Breakfast**

**9:00 AM      MEOPAR Presentation: Cycle II Priorities / “How to Succeed in Applying to MEOPAR Calls for Proposals”**

As part of its renewed funding for Cycle II, MEOPAR has made changes to its structure and priorities. This presentation will focus on how these changes apply to our upcoming \$9 million Call for Proposals (to be released in September).

**10:15 AM      Networking Break**

**10:50 AM      PANEL: Cores**

This panel will highlight the roles of MEOPAR’s three Cores (Observation, Prediction and Response) in Cycle II.

**11:25 AM      Breakouts: Cores / Communities of Practice**

Breakout discussions will further examine the roles of Cores and Communities of Practice in MEOPAR’s second Cycle.

**12:30 PM      Lunch – Keynote Presentation:** Details to be confirmed.

**1:35 PM      Topical Sessions**

These parallel sessions are an opportunity for investigators or students to propose individual presentations. Each presentation is limited to 25 minutes in length, including 5 minutes for questions.

**2:40 PM      Networking Break**

**3:15 PM      Topical Sessions (Continued)**

**4:20 PM      Wrap Up**