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ICES ASC AND STATUTORY MEETINGS HELD IN ICES MEMBER COUNTRIES 2000 – 2021

Council Delegates are invited to discuss interest in a future joint Annual Science Conference with PICES.

Member Countries are invited to consider hosting a future Annual Science Conference from 2022 and onwards. Belgium is invited to provide an update on their considerations for hosting the ASC in 2022.

Considerations for a future joint meeting with PICES

PICES has raised the idea of a joint ICES/PICES science/ASC meeting. This is still a very preliminary idea, however, some of the initial thinking on practical issues are outlined below:

1. The science meeting part/ASC cannot be longer than 5 days.
2. It would have to be hosted in North America to accommodate ICES and PICES.
3. Participation would have to be less than 1000 to be sensible. ICES had 762 participants in 2019, and PICES registration for 2019 is estimated 550–600.
4. Business meetings would need to simplify their agendas in order to allocate enough time for a joint discussion.

Potential benefits of a joint meeting:

- Allow ICES and PICES to interact at a variety of levels, from the expert/science level, and across the organizational and business levels as well.
- Provide an opportunity to enhance global cooperation through greater knowledge exchange and networking across regions.
- Build on and enhance recent cooperation, including important areas such as climate change, and the Arctic, and opening up for new areas currently with limited interaction.

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Year	Country	City	No. of meetings in total
2000	Belgium	Bruges	1
2001	Norway	Oslo	
2002	Denmark	CPH	
2003	Estonia	Tallin	1
2004	Spain	Vigo	
2005	UK	Aberdeen	
2006	Netherlands	Maastricht	4
2007	Finland	Helsinki	2
2008	Canada	Halifax	3
2009	Germany	Berlin	
2010	France	Nantes	5
2011	Poland	Gdansk	1
2012	Norway	Bergen	4
2013	Iceland	Reykjavik	3
2014	Spain	A Coruña	4
2015	Denmark	CPH	
2016	Latvia	Riga	1
2017	USA	Fort Laud.	3
2018	Germany	Hamburg	6
2019	Sweden	Göteborg	5
2020	Denmark	CPH	54
2021	UK	TBC	7

Belgium is investigating possibilities to host the 2022 ASC (To be confirmed).

Number of ASCs hosted since 2000:

0 meetings: Ireland, Portugal, Russia

1 meeting: Belgium, Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Finland, Netherlands, Canada, France, Iceland, USA, Sweden

2 meetings: Norway, Spain, Germany, UK

3 meetings: Denmark