



UNIVERSITY OF THE ARCTIC

University of the Arctic Charter

**As Adopted by the UArctic Rectors' Forum
Rovaniemi February 29, 2008**

Preamble

The University of the Arctic (UArctic) is a cooperative network of universities, colleges, and other organizations committed to higher education and research in the North. Our members share resources, facilities, and expertise to build post-secondary education programs that are relevant and accessible to students of the North.

Our overall goal is to create a strong, sustainable circumpolar region by empowering northerners and northern communities through education, training and shared knowledge. UArctic seeks to promote excellence in knowledge generation and knowledge application in areas that are relevant to the North.

UArctic training and education is circumpolar, holistic, and diverse in nature, and draws on our combined members' strengths to address the unique challenges of the region. UArctic promotes cooperation in a context in which recognized degrees are granted by the members themselves.

UArctic recognizes the integral role of indigenous peoples in northern education, and seeks to engage their perspectives in all of its activities. UArctic and its member institutions further respect the needs of the indigenous peoples, and commit themselves to actively include the needs of the indigenous peoples and indigenous communities of the Arctic in education and training services.

We, as leaders of UArctic's Higher Education members, on behalf of our respective institutions, hereby agree to the provisions set out in this Charter and jointly commit to strive towards:

- develop and use UArctic as a tool to implement the institutions' tasks on conducting higher education and research relevant to local, regional, and international Circumpolar northern communities;
- cooperate in research and science on the north, building on each other's strengths;
- support the initiation and participation in relevant Thematic Networks as mechanisms for joint academic cooperation at the Circumpolar level;
- promote student mobility and organize good quality student support services for incoming students from UArctic member institutions;
- honour and facilitate the recognition of academic credit taken at other UArctic member institutions;

- organize the sharing of expertise through facilitating the exchange of academic staff;
- offer UArctic's Circumpolar Studies to our students and participate in its development and implementation;
- promote undergraduate education and training in the Circumpolar North;
- participate in the development and implementation of joint graduate programming on northern issues;
- share our northern relevant course offerings through the UArctic Studies Catalog;
- participate in the joint international marketing of our programs and to promote the north as a study destination of choice globally;
- recognize the integral role of indigenous peoples and their knowledge in northern education, and seek to engage and incorporate their perspectives and teachings in both traditional and indigenous knowledge and to meet their needs in all of its activities.

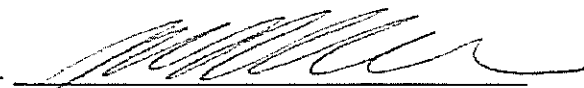
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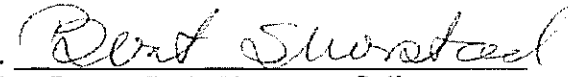
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2. *Stephen B. Jones*
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Provost, Dartmouth College _____
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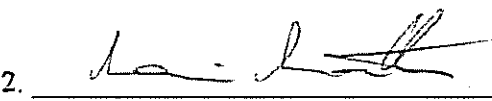
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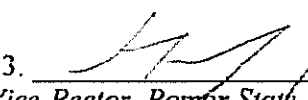
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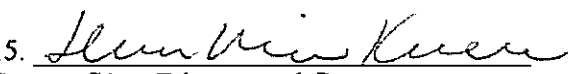
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Senior Academic Officer, Nunavut Arctic College _____
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Vice-Rector, Pomer State University _____
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Vice-Rector, Sakha State University _____
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Rector, Sámi Educational Centre _____
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16. Arak Angier
Principal, Sámi Education Institute
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17. Simon Pedersen
Rector, Sámi University College
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18. Ulf Korman
Rector, Trondheim University College
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Vice-Chair Executive Board
UHI Millennium Institute
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President, University of Northern British Columbia
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21. [Signature]
Vice-Rector, Research and Innovation
Université Laval
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22. [Signature]
Director of Research, University Centre in Svalbard
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23. Samir K. Hanning
President, University College of the North
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Rector, University of Akureyri
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Associate Vice-President, Research, University of Alberta
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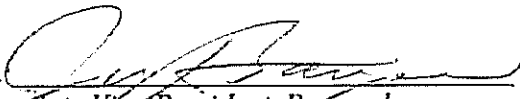
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27. Anne E. Anthony
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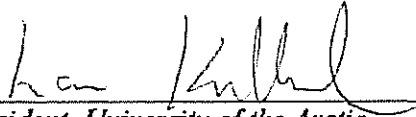
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28. 
Rector, University of Oulu

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President, University of the Arctic

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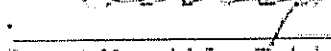
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32. 
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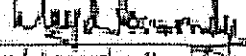
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34. 
A. Nevzerov
Rector Arkhangelsk State Technical University


15 April 2008
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35. 
Riitta Käyhkö
Rector, Kemi-Tornio University of Applied Sciences

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36. 
Mr. Ulopa, Secretary, President & Vice-Chancellor
The University of Jyväskylä

April 18, 2008
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37. 
Pentti Tieranta
President
Rovaniemi University of Applied Sciences

28.4.2008
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38. 
Göran Sandberg
Vice-Chancellor
[Your title], [Name of your institution]
Umeå University

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Valeria Shergalina
Rector, B.D., Professor
Murmansk Humanities Institute




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40. 
Rector, University of Turku

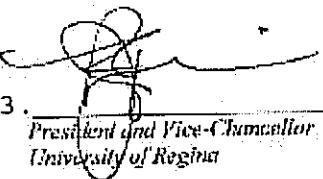
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41. 
[Your title], [Name of your institution]
CEO
Northlands College


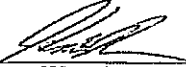

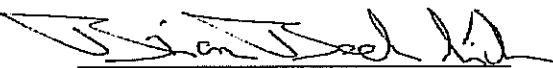

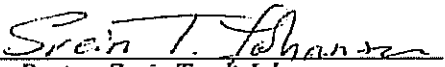
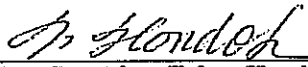
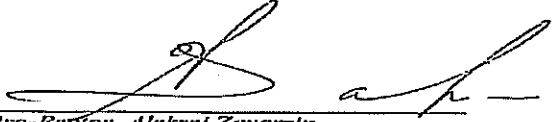

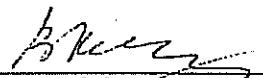
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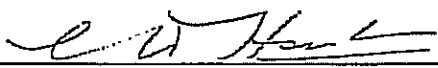
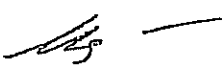


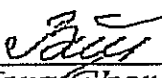

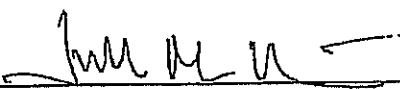
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Rector
North-Eastern State University

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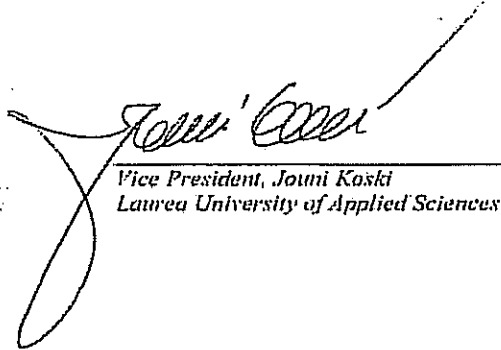
43. 
President and Vice-Chancellor
University of Regina

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44. 
 Vice Rector, Uffe Jakobsen,
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45. 
 Vice-chancellor, Kåre Bremer
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46. 
 Rector, University of Bergen
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47. 
 Dean, Brian Bech Nielsen
 Aarhus University
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48. 
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49. 
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50. 
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 Hokkaido University
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51. 
 Pro-Rector, Aleksel Zavarzin
 St. Petersburg State University
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52. 
 Rector, Nadezhda Konoplina
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53. 
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56. 
 François Deschênes
 Vice-rector of Graduate Studies and Research
 Université du Québec à Rimouski
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57. 
 Rector, Oleg Kheirskotzki
 European University in St. Petersburg
 June 20, 2013
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58. 
 Director, Vera Cherkasova
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 Academic Rector, Jukka Mänttönen
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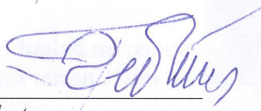
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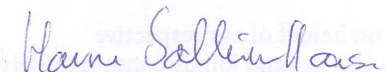
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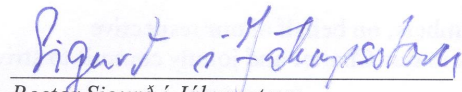
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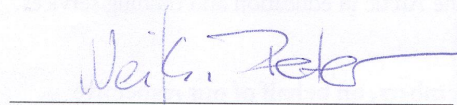
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Rector Sigurð í Jákupsstovu
University of the Faroe Islands

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Peter Weiss
Háskólasetur Vestfjarða/ University Centre of Wetsfjords

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