

Call for Chapters "ARCTIC: THE NEAR NORTH"

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The Italian Society for International Organization (SIOI), in collaboration with Armando Editore, is pleased to announce the call for proposals for the upcoming volume "Artico: il Vicino Nord" ("The Arctic: The Near North"), edited by Alessandra Caruso. This book aims to explore the geopolitical, economic, and social dynamics of the Arctic region through a collection of original essays.

Interested authors are invited to submit a detailed proposal, specifying the chapter of interest, a brief biography, and an abstract of the contribution (max 500 words) by March 7, 2025, through the following website: https://forms.gle/EPDYX8nHaXPybFey8.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Description of the Volume

This volume offers readers a unique perspective on the Arctic's distinctiveness, guiding them through the historical, political, economic, and social transformations of the region. Through eight case studies—one per Arctic country—readers will gain insights into Arctic identity and the global implications of transpolar dynamics. The book examines geopolitical tensions, territorial sovereignty disputes, transpolar trade dilemmas, Indigenous Peoples' dynamics, mineral resources, and climate change, offering a compelling analysis that extends beyond the 66th parallel North and influences international politics.

Structure of the Final Product

- Why the United States (Do Not) Believe in the Importance of the Arctic Council and the Region
- Greenland Between Referenda, the Danish Crown, and Donald Trump
- The Canadian Arctic and the Dilemma of Transpolar Trade
- The Evolution of Norwegian Arctic Security from the Svalbard Treaty to the War in Ukraine
- Finland's Development Prospects in an Era of Climate Change
- Russia's Energy Policies in the Polar Circle
- A Social Perspective on Modern Iceland
- The Rare Earth Deposit in Kiruna, Sweden, and the Race for Critical Minerals
- The "Near-Arctics": An Overview of the Observer States of the Arctic Council.

For each chapter, authors will be invited to present an overview of the selected paradigmatic case study for each Arctic state, highlighting its implications not only for national policies but also for Arctic governance.



Submission Guidelines

Final contributions will undergo an editorial review by the Italian Society for International Organization (SIOI).

- Length: 5,000 7,500 words (excluding academic references).
- **Type of contribution**: Public outreach / analytical essay.
- **Formatting**: Detailed guidelines will be provided to selected authors.
- Joint authorship: Submissions co-authored by multiple contributors are accepted.

Timeline

- Announcement of selected contributions: March 10, 2025
- First draft submission: April 2025
- Editorial feedback and revisions: April–May 2025
- Expected publication date: Fall 2025