Call for Services

The ERC Advanced Grant InfraNorth (PI Prof. Peter Schweitzer, University of Vienna, Faculty of Social Sciences / Department of Social and Cultural Anthropology) seeks a company, institution or research group to assist in developing a pan-Arctic Scenario Framework on transport infrastructures and sustainable communities in the Arctic. Regional and/or thematic expertise along these lines will be an advantage. InfraNorth will host several local Scenario Round Tables in Arctic field sites, which will bring global and panarctic scenarios into place-based discussions. At the end of the project, we plan to hold one Panarctic Scenario Forum (in one of the Arctic countries) to which we will invite experts, community leaders, and decision makers from all study regions.

Work would commence with a workshop on the “Global Economics and Geopolitics of Arctic Transport Infrastructures” to be held in Vienna, September 23-24, 2021. The public presentations by internationally renowned experts on the topic to be held on September 23 will be discussed in the course of an internal workshop to be held on September 24. These discussions will be the starting point for the development of the Scenario Framework during year 2 of the project. Before our second visits to our field sites, the chosen company/institution would train project members in how to conduct local Scenario round tables. In project year 4, preparation and training for the Panarctic Scenario Forum, which is scheduled during year 5, is planned. Scenario building exercises and events should yield an expert report or handbook on participatory planning of Arctic infrastructures, as well as other scientific publications.

Additional information can be requested from Mag. Johannes Kramer (johannes.kramer@univie.ac.at). Offers should be directed to the same email address not later than by August 4, 2021, 5 pm CET.