

#### WHO IS THE ARCTIC COUNCIL?



Working Groups

carry out the Council's activities ▼

Permanent Participants
represent the Indigenous peoples of the Arctic •

Observers
share their expertise

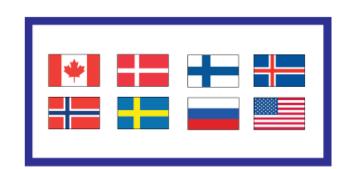


#### **Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (CAFF)**



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- Biodiversity Working
   Group of the Arctic Council
- Board members from eight Arctic countries and six Indigenous organizations
- Observers from non Arctic countries, international organizations







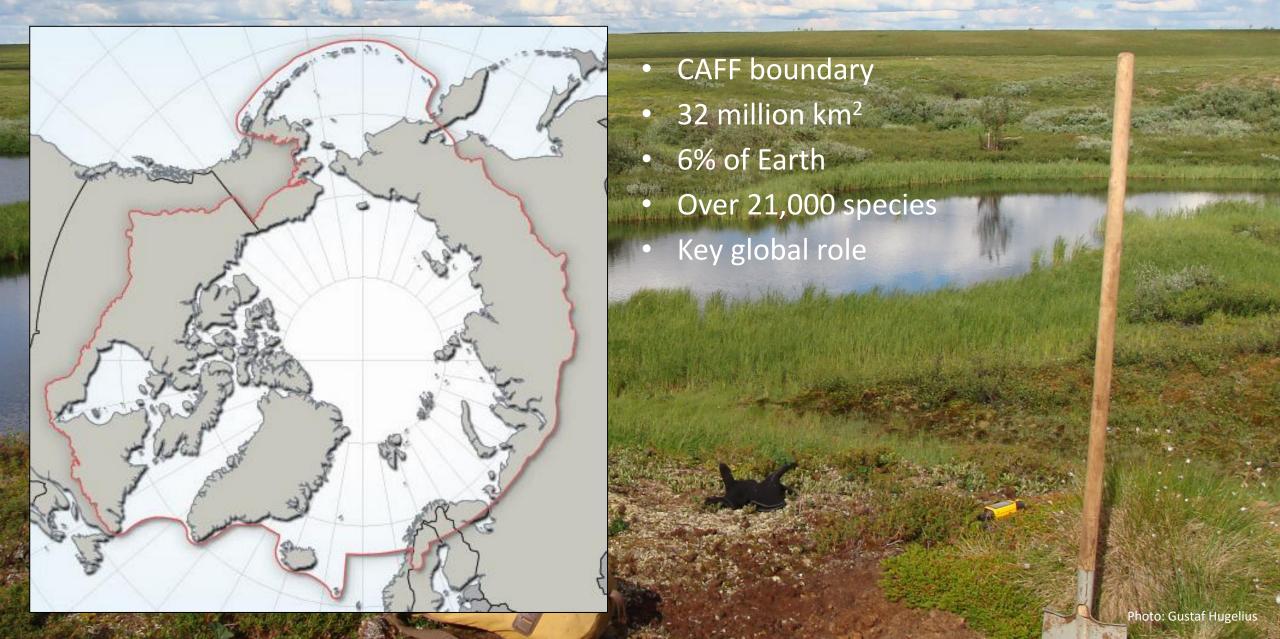


- Mandate:
  - to address the conservation of Arctic biodiversity, and to communicate its findings to the governments and residents of the Arctic, helping to promote practices which ensure the sustainability of the Arctic's living resources



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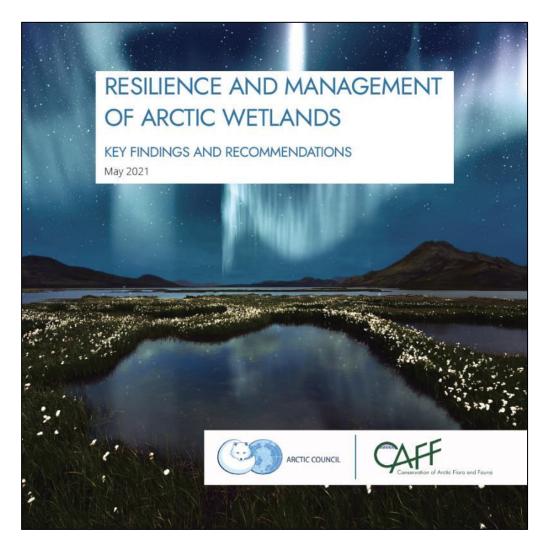






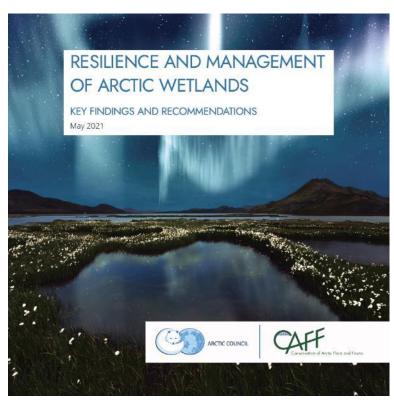
13 Key Findings & 20 Policy Recommendations

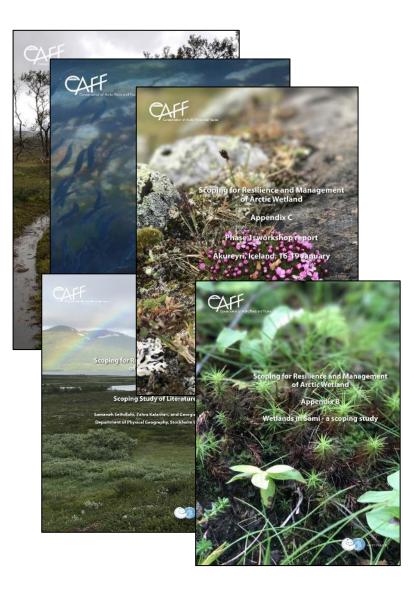
- Climate change mitigation, wetland biodiversity, and resilience
- Streamline national wetland governance
- Wetland protection, conservation and restoration actions
- Knowledge systems, meaningful engagement and communication and outreach of wetland management
- Wetland classification, mapping, and monitoring
- Coordination of Arctic wetland actions, research, and monitoring













Arctic Wetlands are globally important and hold enormous potential to contribute significantly to climate adaptation, mitigation, and conservation of biodiversity.





While many of Earth's intact wetlands are in Arctic states, there are also very large expanses of degraded wetlands in Arctic and Boreal zones, affected by e.g., drainage and peat mining.

These crucial ecosystems are changing due to climate-change driven permafrost degradation and growing pressures from increased human presence.





Effective management of wetlands, including conservation and restoration efforts, holds enormous potential to contribute significantly to climate adaptation and mitigation, and conservation.





RAW provides 13 Key Findings and 20 Policy Recommendations designed to maintain and strengthen the resilience of wetlands.

Many of these findings and recommendations are highly relevant both within and outside the Arctic

Arctic States have the opportunity to act as role models for sustainable use of wetlands.

