

CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE ARCTIC OCEAN

How environmental change is impacting politics in the High North

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Background

In the last four decades, the Arctic Ocean has undergone several changes. Impacted directly by the climate change, the region experiences a gradual process that is transforming the characteristics of its polar cap.

Both the reduction of the extent of the area covered by ice and the reduction of the ice age profile have changed so much that new possibilities of strategic and economic use of this area have come to appear in the long term horizon of the main actors.

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Research Design and Relevance

1. Qualitative method approach.
Process Tracing: Case Study.

2. Enhancing the understanding about how big environmental issues are shaping the ocean governance.

3. Exploring the connections between science and ocean governance in the Arctic to better understand what the countries are expecting from this area in the future.

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Study Area



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Arctic: mains issues at stake

