**Side Event**

**Wednesday, 5 April 2017 | Conference Room 11**

*A Dialogue on the*

**POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS OF A BBNJ AGREEMENT FOR ARCTIC MARINE GOVERNANCE**

**Organized by**

**Fridtjof Nansen Institute (FNI)**

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**K.G. Jebsen Centre for the Law of the Sea (JCLOS), UiT The Arctic University of Norway**

This side event will provide a forum for participants to discuss the possible implications of an international legally binding instrument on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction for Arctic marine governance within the context of relevant Arctic initiatives, with a view to comparing efforts and highlighting areas of convergence, overlap and potential conflict.

**PROGRAM**

**Welcome,** Ms. Kristine Dalaker Kraabel, PhD Research Fellow, JCLOS

**Towards a global treaty on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity in areas beyond national jurisdiction – implications for Arctic Ocean governance?** Mr. Christian Prip, Senior Policy Analyst, FNI

**Arctic Initiatives**, Mr. Kjell Kristian Egge, International Law Adviser, Law of the Sea Section, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**Is There a Need for a Special Regime in the Arctic?** Dr. Vito De Lucia, PostDoc Research Fellow, JCLOS

**Dialogue and Discussion**