The 21st century is known as an era of science and technology. The research, innovation and technology should lead to commercial/societal utilization for which the IP issues are of immense importance. The primary objective of the proposed workshop is to unfold the fundamental aspects and applications of IP at global level for its benefit to all stakeholders. The technical sessions will address five thematic areas: Bioresources and Biodiversity, Traditional Knowledge and Indian Systems of Medicine, Varietal Development and Plant Variety Protection, Green Technologies and Agriculture, Neutraceuticals. The lead and plenary lectures will be delivered by senior scientists/technocrats from universities/research organizations and legal experts from USA and India. The workshop is expected to be attended by 200 participants including graduate students, faculty members, scientists, government officials, policy makers, members of print and electronic media, R&D organizations, corporate and patent attorneys involved in generation of IP and its application for economic growth.

Key dates
- Abstract submission: 30 December 2013
- Registration: 5 January 2014
- Full paper: 10 January 2014

For details visit: [http://amity.edu/aims/workshop.asp](http://amity.edu/aims/workshop.asp)

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**Call for Proposals for Scientific Research in the Arctic Region (2014–2015)**

**Application deadline:** 27 January 2014

The National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research (NCAOR), an autonomous R&D Institution under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), Government of India has been designated as the nodal agency responsible for the planning, co-ordination and implementation of India’s scientific research endeavours in the Arctic realm. On behalf of the Ministry, NCAOR invites research proposals from national scientific organizations/institutions, research laboratories and universities with a sustained interest in polar research for funded access (comprising travel, DA as per the Government of India norms, polar clothing, boarding and lodging) to the Ny-Alesund Research Infrastructure in Svalbard, Norway.

Scientific research proposals are invited, specifically within the following fields of Arctic research:

- Atmospheric Science with special reference to study of aerosols and precipitation over the Arctic
- Marine Science: Physical, chemical, geological and microbiological studies in the Kongsfjorden, an Arctic fjord
- Environmental Chemistry: Natural contaminants in food webs and long range pollutants
- Cryospheric studies: Snow and ice chemistry, glaciology

In addition, the applicants are also encouraged to visit websites [http://www.forskningsradet.no/prognett-ssf/Home_page/1253969737234](http://www.forskningsradet.no/prognett-ssf/Home_page/1253969737234) and [www.kingsbay.no](http://www.kingsbay.no) for more information regarding Arctic research.

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