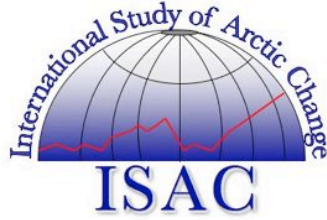


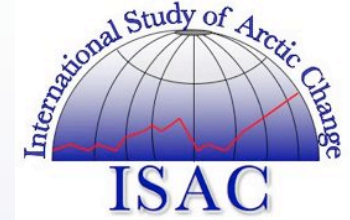
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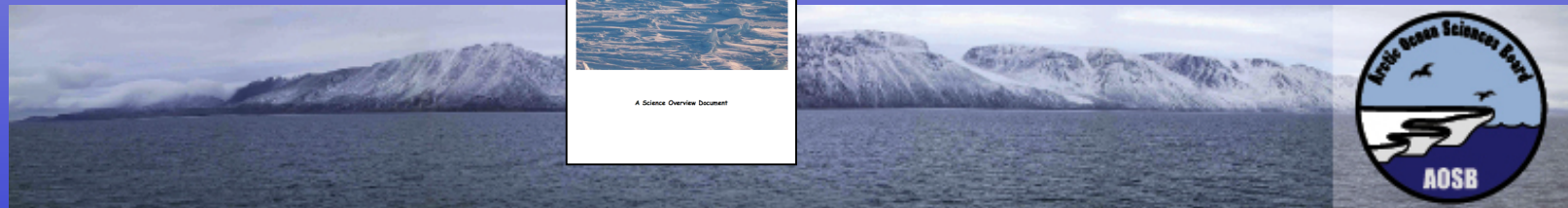


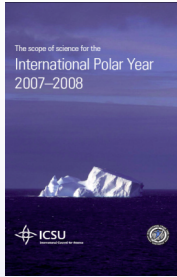
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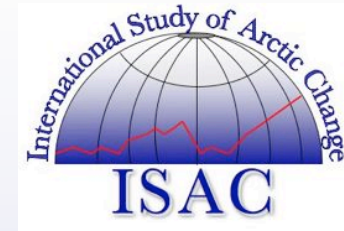
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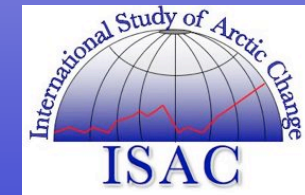


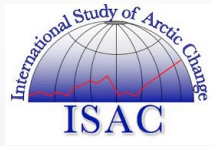
- 2006 ISAC endorsed as an IPY project.
- 2006 ISAC Science Steering Group formed and Council members invited.
- 2007 ISAC Executive Director hired.
International Program Office activities begin in October
- 2008 Executive Summary of Science Plan and Implementation Strategy released (<http://www.aosb.org>)

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Program Implementation

- **Strategic vision** for integrating diverse areas and constituents and providing focused research on arctic change.
- **Science and implementation plan** that identifies the means best suited for addressing ISAC scientific hypotheses
- **Development of partnerships** among the Arctic Environmental Change research community



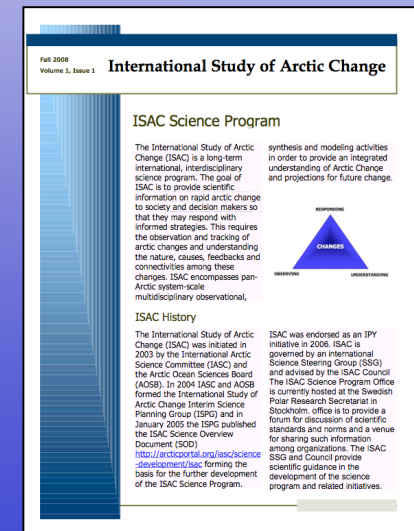


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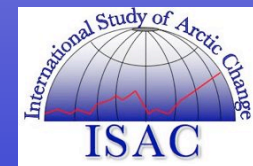
International Project Office

- Foster community of researchers & programs united in efforts to remove obstacles to observing, understanding, and responding to Arctic Change.
- Provide a forum for discussion of scientific standards/norms, sharing of information.
- Develop links to similar programs.
- Coordinate existing & emerging national & international ISAC projects.
- Inform other arctic programs of ISAC scientific progress.
- Ensure appropriate data dissemination.
- Provide information to scientists, arctic residents, the public and decision makers
- Build & maintain a catalogue of ISAC projects to guide the program.



International Planning Activities and Partnerships

- First IPY Workshop on Sustaining Arctic Observing Networks (SAON), Stockholm, 12-14 Nov 2007.
- Second IPY Workshop on Sustaining Arctic Observing Networks, Edmonton, 9-11 April 2008.
- Third IPY Workshop on Sustaining Arctic Observing Networks, Helsinki, 15-17 October 2008.
- Arctic Change 2008, Quebec City 9-12 December, 2008.
- Responding to Change Workshop, TBD 2009. In partnership with SEARCH.
- State of the Arctic Meeting, 2010 (joint sponsorship with DAMOCLES and SEARCH and others).



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