A treasure trove for research in Svalbard

The new RiS Portal is launched

The Research in Svalbard (RiS) database has now been re-launched and brand new services are added. With its user-friendly design and improved functionality, the new RiS Portal will be a valuable tool for all scientific activity in and around Svalbard.

The new and improved version of the Research in Svalbard (RiS) database is up and running. It will provide a valuable catalogue of scientific activities in and around Svalbard. All ongoing and planned research, educational and monitoring projects in Svalbard and surrounding waters are strongly recommended to register.

The new RiS Portal is an important tool to increase coordination, cooperation and data sharing in Svalbard research.

Ris Portal features:

- Open access
- Everything in one place
- Registration of projects and scientists
- Bookings for Ny-Ålesund
- Applications to the Governor
- New map and statistics view
- Information about field activity and data
- Coordination and cooperation tool

The new Map view provides a unique overview of the vast research activity and will enable scientists to find cooperation partners, making it easier to coordinate both logistics and field work. Also the metadata and publications added by RiS users will add value to the database.

Visit the RiS Portal at <u>www.researchinsvalbard.no</u> today to search for scientific activity and to register and update projects!

Already a RiS user?

All data from the old database is migrated to the new system, but existing RiS users will have to <u>obtain a new password</u> to enter the RiS database.





RiS Portal with the new Map view of field work locations in active projects.

About Svalbard Science Forum

The Svalbard Science Forum (SSF) promotes coordination, data sharing and collaboration within Svalbard research while continuously working to minimise the environmental footprint of the research activities. SSF is coordinated by the Research Council of Norway with the SSF Secretariat located in Longyearbyen.

SSF manages the open access «Research in Svalbard» (RiS) database and the RiS Portal which contains information about several thousand science projects in and around Svalbard. The SSF webpage offers information about Svalbard and the SSF as well as a guide to fieldwork and legislation in Svalbard. SSF also organises workshops and administers funding opportunities.

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