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ArcticNet Appoints New President and Chief Executive Officer



Quebec City, QC, July 21st, 2025 – Natan Obed and Brendan Kelly, interim Board Co-Chairs of ArcticNet, are pleased to announce the appointment of Pierre Bilodeau to the newly created position of President and Chief Executive Officer, reporting to the Board of Directors. His appointment is effective August 18, 2025.

Pierre has held senior positions successively in the private and public sectors, with a particular focus on research partnerships, research funding, and standards development. He was most recently Vice President of Standardization Service at the Standards Council of Canada. Pierre's passion for, and experience in, building and sustaining successful research partnerships is an ideal fit to lead ArcticNet's ongoing transformation to a more independent organization with a greater diversity of funding sources.

"The Board is excited about Pierre's appointment to take ArcticNet forward into its next phase of development as it strengthens and deepens its partnership with Inuit and other Indigenous peoples and continues to expand its outstanding research network focused on the North," says Obed.

"I deeply appreciate the confidence the Board has shown in selecting me to lead an organization for which I have so much respect. I am very much looking forward to building on the great work of the ArcticNet team over the last 20 years," says Bilodeau.

About ArcticNet

ArcticNet is a Canadian non-profit organization that supports world-class research and capacity building for a flourishing Arctic. Founded in 2003, ArcticNet bridges scientific and Indigenous knowledge to develop and share knowledge needed to inform effective strategies and decision-making regarding the impacts and opportunities of climate change in the Arctic. Funded primarily by the Government of Canada—first through the Network of Centres of Excellence and now the Strategic Science Fund—ArcticNet has supported over 235 projects and trained more than 4,000 researchers and highly qualified personnel.

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