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Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the 10th SCAR Open Science Conference in 2022!

The SCAR Open Science Conference is SCAR's flagship event that brings together researchers to engage with one another, exchanging the latest scientific findings in the Antarctic and the Southern Ocean while those outside of the field of research come to find out about what SCAR does in and for the Antarctic.

Considering circumstances surrounding the pandemic as well as SCAR's effort to reduce carbon footprint the organizing committee decided to move the meeting online. Following the SCAR OSC 2020 in Hobart, the OSC 2022 will be hosted in Hyderabad, India in an online format. It is my hope that the OSC 2022 will be as successful as before building upon the lessons learned.

We are living at a time where climate change is affecting our lives more than ever, and scientific work in and around the Antarctic is becoming increasingly more important. I hope that this OSC will be another great opportunity for researchers to share the latest findings on the Antarctic and the Southern Ocean through the plenaries, posters and various sessions organized by our committees. SCAR welcomes researchers from all academic fields including the humanities and social sciences, and looks forward to having cross-disciplinary topics discussed during the conference.

I would like to gratefully acknowledge the local host NCPOR, the International Science Organizing Committee and the Local Organizing Committee for hosting this OSC virtually, and also the SCAR Secretariat for providing the support needed to make this conference a success.

Looking forward to many wonderful exchanges of science and friendship in the OSC 2022 in August.

With best regards,

Yeadong Kim SCAR President.