

**Report from the EPPR working group  
to the SAO meeting in Fairbanks  
26-28 April 2000**

The EPPR working group has had no meeting since the last SAO meeting in Washington (November 1999). The last EPPR meeting was held in Svalbard in September 1999. Since then different projects are on the way (for details see the EPPR Report to the SAO meeting in Washington, November 1999).

In connection to the IMO/MEPC/HNS-OPRC meeting in London at 10 March 2000 there was an inofficial EPPR meeting preparing the upcoming annual meeting.

The 2000 EPPR annual meeting will be held in Keflavik, Iceland on 13-15 June 2000.

During the SAO meeting in Fairbanks the EPPR Chair will have some inofficial talks with the Chairs of the other working groups regarding operating guidelines, and with the PAME working group Chair John Karau, regarding the coordination of the work of the two working groups.

*As asked by the EPPR working group meeting in Svalbard 1999 (agenda item 4) the Norwegian Pollution Control Authority (SFT) together with SINTEF and UNIS (The University courses of Svalbard) has developed a draft for a training course for oil spill response in the arctic environment. The course is about to take place at Svalbard in the summer 2001. The formal proposal for a training course will be discussed at the EPPR meeting in Keflavik, June 2000.*