

EAST ANTARCTICA INFORMATION SHARE 2020/21 SEASON

Country/NAP: Russia / Russian Antarctic Expedition

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Has your programme made any special season plans in the context of COVID-19? YES or NO

If yes, please attach the special season plans/information as an Annex to this Information Share template.

Who will be your station leader(s) for the upcoming season (Give station name and then the full name and contact email address for the station leader(s)/expedition manager/station manager(s) for each of your Antarctic stations or facilities). Also indicate any special medical capabilities at each station (such as COVID testing available, or oxygen concentrator, or number of ventilators).

Mirny

Aleksander Elagin (until 13.03.2021)

Yury Nezderov (after 13.03.2021)

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Progress

Victor Vinogradov (until 21.03.2021)

Alexey Zyl (after 21.03.2021)

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Vostok

Vitaly Zarovchatskiy (until December 2020)

Anatoly Shrol (after December 2020)

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Mirny, Progress and Vostok stations are equipped with oxygen concentrators and artificial ventilation devices (one device per station). There is necessary supply of medicines and medical supplies. The medical staff at each station is represented by a surgeon and anesthesiologist-resuscitator who have experience in treating patients with COVID-19. It is planned to purchase COVID PCR analyzer for Progress station.

Season Schedule Overview (start dates/end dates, details of major activities and events)

08.12.2020 – arrival of RV “Akademik Tryoshnikov” at Progress station

20.12.2020 – arrival of RV “Akademik Tryoshnikov” at Mirny station

28.02.2021 – arrival of RV “Akademik Fedorov” at Molodezhnaya base / Gora Vechernyaya (Belarus)

11.03.2021 – arrival of RV “Akademik Fedorov” at Mirny station

16.03.2021 – arrival of RV “Akademik Fedorov” at Progress station

November 2020 – February 2021 – inland traverses from Progress to Vostok for re-supply purposes

Ship Cruise Schedules & vessel-related information (include information on any helicopters operated to/from vessels), including for collaboration or for SAR purposes

RV “Akademik Tryoshnikov” will be operating in the area as follows:

Port/Station	Arrival date	Departure date
Cape Town		26.11.2020

Progress	08.12.2020	15.12.2020
Mirny	20.12.2020	05.01.2021
Marine research	07.01.2021	15.01.2021
Lyttelton	25.01.2021	

RV "Akademik Fedorov" will be operating in the area as follows:

Port/Station	Arrival date	Departure date
Cape Town		26.11.2020
Molodezhnaya (Gora Vechernyaya)	28.02.2021	04.03.2021
Mirny	11.03.2021	13.03.2021
Progress	16.03.2021	21.03.2021
Novolazarevskaya	01.04.2021	

Kamov Ka-32 helicopters (two helicopters per vessel) will be used for loading and unloading purposes at the stations during ship calls

Also, in support of SOOS Due South and international collaboration opportunities, please go to: <https://data.aad.gov.au/duesouth/expedition/> to enter information on your upcoming marine science expeditions.

Aircraft Arrival and Departure Dates & air operations-related information

None

Planned Cooperative International Activities (logistics/science support activities affecting other NAPs)

Logistics support to Belarussian Antarctic programme

High Profile Activities

None

Non-governmental Activities

None

Use of Drones/RPAS or Balloons

Drones / RPAs launches up to 3000 feet high.
Aerological balloon soundings at Mirny station, dairy observations (00 UTC, 12 UTC).

2021 Winter-over SAR assets (helo, etc) and any special medical capabilities/equipment availability

On-ground assets only

National Antarctic Programme Aircraft and Vessel Safety Statement

All of the vessels and aircrafts are operated in accordance with relevant national regulations and international safety standards and requirements

Also please remind your AFIM representative, that they should log into the AFIM Data Dashboard and ensure your AFIM-related data and information is current for the upcoming season.

ANNEX: Special instructions for the 2020/21 Antarctic season in the context of COVID-19.