



**LIVE STREAM:**

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**FRENCH EMBASSY**  
**Monday, 12th December 2022**  
6 p.m. - 8 p.m. and get-together  
Wilhelmstraße 69, 10117 Berlin

**Entrance free / Event language: English**

**Please register via:**  
[www.reklam.de/klimatalk2022](http://www.reklam.de/klimatalk2022) / until December 9

**We kindly ask you to bring an ID card, which is needed for the security checks.**

Corona hygiene concept: The event and get-together is subject to strict hygiene requirements. These regulations are based on the SARS-CoV-2 Infection Protection Ordinance of the State of Berlin and will be adopted accordingly.



12 December 2022



# "From Thule to MOSAiC"

**75 years of  
French and German  
Arctic Research**





# "From Thule to MOSAIC"



As a recent study has shown, the impact of climate change is almost four times stronger in the Arctic than elsewhere, a phenomenon that has been identified as "Arctic amplification". This event, organized within the French Embassy's cycle of "ClimaTalks", honours Jean Malaurie, France's most distinguished Arctic researcher on the occasion of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Discussions will focus on the development of Arctic research since Professor Malaurie's legendary expedition to Thule in North-West Greenland during the winter 1950-51 and his extraordinary account thereof entitled *The Last Kings of Thule* (1955, German ed. 1957 with a preface by J. Georgi), the most widely distributed book about Greenland in the world.

Paying homage to Jean Malaurie's 75 years of circumpolar studies, the session will discuss latest research results produced notably by the MOSAIC expedition led by Prof Markus Rex from AWI and the impact of current changes, environmental, economic and geopolitical, on Arctic societies and notably indigenous communities.

Presentations of Jean Malaurie's exceptional career and the Multidisciplinary drifting Observatory for the Study of Arctic Climate (MOSAIC), the biggest, most elaborate Arctic expedition ever, will be followed by a panel discussion about most recent developments in the Arctic. A get-together will foster the discussion between participants.

## Program

### PROGRAM

12 December 2022 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

#### OPENING

**François Delattre** French ambassador  
**Prof Alain Bui** Président of UVSQ, associate member of Université Paris-Saclay  
**Prof Antje Boetius** Director of the Alfred Wegener Helmholtz Centre for Polar and Marine Research (video statement)

#### LECTURES

**"From Stones to Soul - Jean Malaurie's 75 years of circumpolar research and defence of Arctic Indigenous societies"**

**Prof Jan Borm**

Université de Versailles Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines

**„Frozen at the North Pole - The MOSAIC Expedition to the epicentre of climate change"**

**Prof Markus Rex**

Alfred Wegener Institute / MOSAIC

#### PANEL DISCUSSION

**Arctic geopolitics and security: new challenges to the environment and societies**

**Prof Markus Rex** (Alfred Wegener Institute / MOSAIC),  
**Prof Rasmus Bertelsen** (Nansen Professor, University of Akureyri / UiT The Arctic University of Norway),  
**Gunn-Britt Retter** (Head of Arctic and Environmental Unit in the Saami Council, Norway) and **Prof Jan Borm** (UVSQ)

#### GET-TOGETHER

MODERATION: **Grace Dobush**