International Academic Forum on Exchange in Cold Regions

- **Forum Background:** Permafrost is an important component of high-latitude ecosystems, which has evolved over a long geological and biological period to become a relatively complete natural ecosystem system. The northern hemisphere is the region with the widest distribution of permafrost in the world, accounting for about 1/4 of the world's land area. Against the backdrop of global climate warming, engineering, ecological, and environmental fields in permafrost regions face many new problems and challenges.
- **Forum Purpose:** In order to further strengthen permafrost research and cross-disciplinary integration, promote the exchange and cooperation of young scholars in permafrost research fields in various countries, and provide valuable experience and wisdom for the many problems and challenges in permafrost regions, the PYRN Executive Committee for 2022-2024 and the editorial department of "Journal of Glaciology and Geocryology" jointly initiated the "Permafrost Young Scholars Online Academic Exchange Forum" to be held online from July 2023, with monthly meetings.
- **Organizers:** PYRN 2022-2024 Executive Committee and the editorial department of "Journal of Glaciology and Geocryology"
- **Forum Participation:** The forum will be held entirely online (live or conference software to be determined).
- **Research Topics:** The content of the report is self-selected, and the topics are mainly related to cold region research.
- **Participants:** Each forum will be composed of 2-3 scholars, and IPA, PYRN Executive Committee members, and cold region research-related experts and scholars are warmly welcome to participate.
- Report Fees: The forum is a non-profit exchange forum and does not charge any fees.
- **Forum Participation:** Online participation or video recording (10 minutes is preferred for the report duration). Please send a resume and photo, and we need to make a promotional poster (Google Drive address: long.li0227@gmail.com).
- **Promotion Method:** The information of each forum report will be sent to the PYRN Executive Committee and the editorial department of "Journal of Glaciology and Geocryology" in the form of text and pictures.
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