

**Keilir Conference on Eyjafjallajökull and Aviation**  
**September 15-16, Keflavik Airport, Iceland**  
**Presentation of Conference Chairmen, Panelists and Speakers#**

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### Education

- 1981 – 1983 Ph.D. study in hydrosystems engineering at the Civil Engineering Department of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA.
- 1978 – 1981 M.S. study in hydrosystems engineering at the Civil Engineering Department of the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA.
- 1975 – 1978 B.S. study in physics at the University of Iceland.
- 1974 – 1975 Studies in mathematics at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, USA.

### Job Resume

- 2008 – *The Icelandic Meteorological Office*, Director General of the Icelandic Meteorological Office (IMO).
- 1987 – 2008 *National Energy Authority of Iceland*, Director of the Hydrological Service (HS) of the National Energy Authority (NEA).
- 1993 – 1994 *University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona, USA*. One (1) year as a Visiting Scholar at the Department of Hydrology and Water Resources.
- 1983 – 1987 *National Energy Authority of Iceland*, Hydrological Service (HS). Specialist and project manager at HS.
- 1982 *University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA*. Teaching assistant in hydrology and fluid dynamics at the Civil Engineering Department.
- 1980 – 1982 *Illinois State Water Survey, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA*. Research assistant in hydrology and fluid dynamics at the Illinois State Water Survey
- 1978 – 1980 *University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, USA*. Research assistant in fluid dynamics at the Civil Engineering Department.

### Other Projects

- 2007 – 2010 Project Manager in a Nordic research project on the near term effects of climate change on the renewable energy resources of the Nordic countries.
- 2005 – Chairman of the steering group for Arctic-HYCOS.
- 2005 – Coordinator of the IPY 2007-8 cluster on hydrological projects within the Polar Year called The Arctic Hydrological Cycle Monitoring, Modelling and Assessment Program, Arctic-Hydra.
- 2003 – 2006 Project Manager in a Nordic research project on the long term effects of climate change on the renewable energy resources of the Nordic countries, funded by the Nordic Energy Research Program, NEFP
- 2002 – 2003 Project Manager in a Nordic research project on the long term effects of climate change on the hydropower resources of the Nordic countries, funded by the Nordic Energy Research Program, NEFP.
- 2002 – Project Manager in a joint project between the National Power Company and the Hydrological Service on the effects of climate change on Icelandic hydropower resources, partially funded by the Energy Fund of Iceland and the Ministry for Industry.
- 2001 – 2005 Chairman of Sub-group on Institutional Aspects on Monitoring and Assessment of the Working Group on Hydrology of the WMO Regional Association of Europe, RA-VI.

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1997 – 2001      Rapporteur on Integrated Hydrological Networks to the Working Group on Hydrology of the WMO Regional Association of Europe, RA-VI, responsible for projects in the field of hydrological and environmental research integration.

## Committee and Administrative Responsibilities

1987 –            Hydrological Advisor to the permanent representative for Iceland in the World Meteorological Organization, WMO.  
2000 –            Chairman of the Icelandic Hydrological Committee.  
2003 –            President of the national Icelandic Committee for the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG)  
1986 – 2003      Representative in the Icelandic Committee for International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG)  
1999 – 2000      Convener of an International Symposium on Extreme floods: The Extremes of the Extremes, held in Iceland in July 2000.  
1995 – 1996      Main planner and convener of the of the XIX Nordic Hydrology Conference in Akureyri, Iceland in 1996 .  
1992 – 1996      President of the Nordic Hydrological Association, NHF.

## Member of Professional Associations

- Association of Chartered Engineers in Iceland
- Geoscience Society of Iceland
- Icelandic Physical Society
- Nordic Association for Hydrology (member of the Board and former Chairman)
- American Geophysical Union
- International Association for Hydrological Sciences (representing Iceland)
- International Association for Hydraulic Research

## Scholarships

1974 – 1975      Fellow Scholarship from the University of Kansas  
1978 – 1982      Fellow Scholarship from the University of Illinois  
1978              The Thor Thors Scholarship



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