The Circumpolar Biodiversity Monitoring Program

Monitoring Arctic life to improve decision making

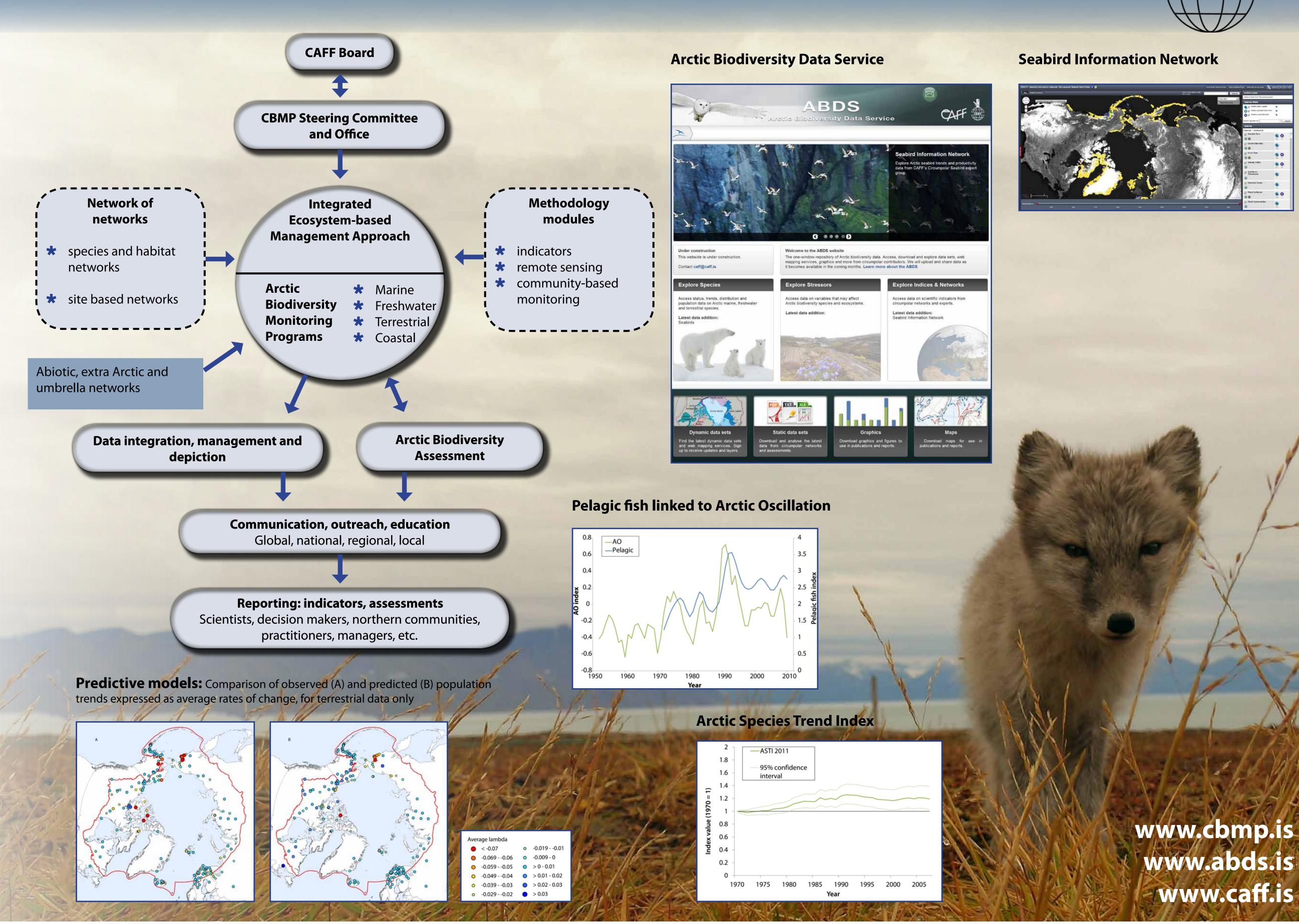


What is the Circumpolar Biodiversity **Monitoring Program (CBMP)?**

- * An international network of scientists, government agencies, Indigenous organizations and conservation groups working together to improve detection, understanding and reporting of Arctic biodiversity trends.
- * The cornerstone program of the Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (CAFF), the Arctic Council's biodiversity working group.
- * A focal point for current and credible Arctic biodiversity information.
- * A means to shorten the response time between identification of a threat and an effective policy response.

The CBMP improves decision making by providing:

- **Environmental baselines** to facilitate a greater understanding of Arctic ecosystems and how they may respond to change.
- * The Arctic Biodiversity Data Service (ABDS data portal), an accessible, efficient, and interoperable infrastructure to house, manage, and display status and trends information.
- **Authoritative assessments** of the Arctic's biodiversity, targeting regional, national, and international reporting requirements.
- **Harmonized biodiversity monitoring efforts** across the Arctic to improve program efficiencies, leverage program results and increase the power of analyses.







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