

To FU

Report on Research Leave

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In spring 2018, I was granted research leave by the AHO board to work on a book in the academic year 2018-2019. The period has now expired and here is a brief report on what I accomplished in the period.

It should briefly be mentioned that I continued supervising PhDs, and in addition, I was a board member the entire time. Also, during the leave, we suddenly received word that an international research project (unrelated to the book project) had received funding and had to start on January 1, 2019. This took up some of the time for writing the book.

The main task of the leave was to write a book on Arctic cities. The working title of the book is currently: *The Making of the Arctic City*. The manuscript is well underway, and I now have around eighty per cent of the first draft ready, which means that there is still some work to be done. I have been in contact with an international publisher, but there is currently no formal agreement about publication.

During the leave, I have also spent some time on other publications relevant to the theme of the book:

- A review of a related book is currently under publication with the Journal of Landscape Architecture (JoLA).
- Another co-authored article is now under review at JoLA.
- An article published by the Nordic-Baltic Academy of Architecture was also finalized during the leave.
- A co-authored article was published in 2019 in the Oxford Review of Education (+ another is underway).

During the research leave, I also presented a paper at an international conference (in Greenland) and gave a guest lecture at the University of Oulu (Finland)—both on Arctic cities.

I would like to thank FU and the AHO board for providing me with the possibility to focus exclusively on research for a period. It has been a focused and productive period for me, and it will hopefully also benefit the research output of AHO

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