



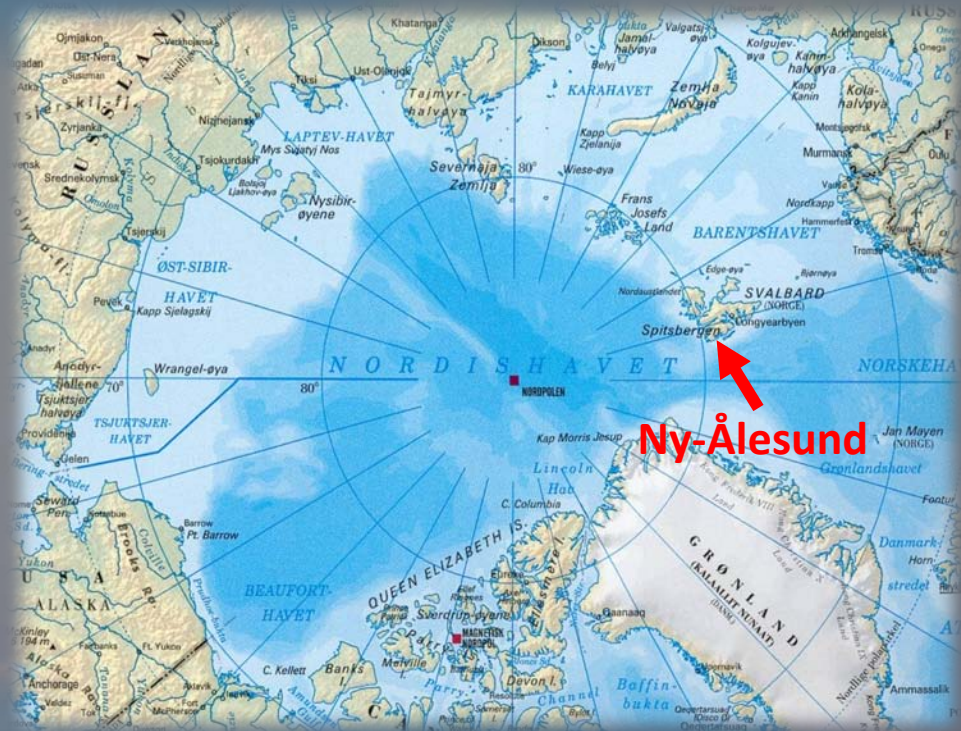
# Kongsfjorden International Research Base

## Ny-Ålesund



## Ny-Ålesund; a permanent settlement at 79 North

- On the Svalbard archipelago (Norway)
- Owned and operated by Kings Bay AS on behalf of the Norwegian Authorities
- Dedicated for research and environmental monitoring
- Rich nature, modern infrastructure, good communications, protected environment





## Research Stations in Ny-Ålesund

- 1968 Norwegian Polar Institute, Norway
- 1988 Zeppelin Station Norway, Sweden
- 1990 Alfred Wegener Institute, Germany
- 1991 Japanese National Institute for Polar Research, Japan
- 1992 British Antarctic Survey, Great Britain
- 1992 Norwegian Mapping Authority, Norway
- 1995 University of Groningen, The Netherlands
- 1997 Andøya Rocket Range, Norway
- 1997 National Research Council, Italy
- 1999 Institut Paul Émile Victor, France
- 2001 GeoForschungZentrum, Germany
- 2002 Korean Polar Research Institute, Korea
- 2003 Chinese Arctic and Antarctic Administration, China
- 2005 Kings Bay Marine Laboratory, Norway
- 2008 National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research, India



# Ny-Ålesund



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# Zeppelin Air Monitoring Station

Air and atmospheric  
studies since 1988



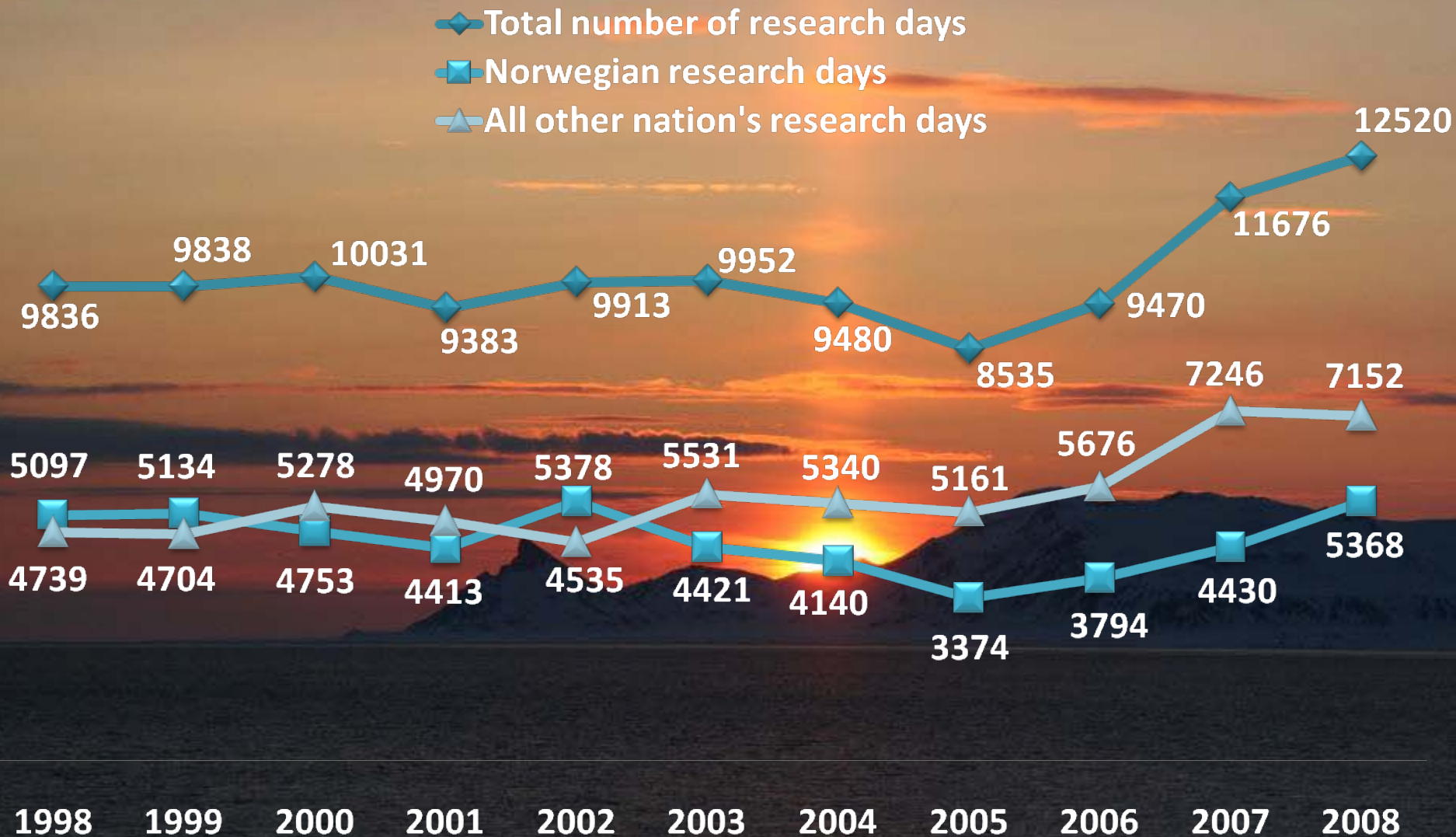


# Kings Bay Marine Laboratory

Marine studies since  
2005



# Research days in Ny-Ålesund





## Kings Bay AS and Ny-Ålesund

- Infrastructure and service provider for the research community
  - Long term lease agreements
  - Airport and harbour
  - Room and board
  - Power and water supply
  - Telecommunications
  - Waste management
  - Fire protection
- Cultural heritage preservation
- Permanent staff of 26





## International attention



Frequent VIP-visitors are important ambassadors for polar research





## Ny-Ålesund: from coal and polar expeditions to research

- KB established in December 1916
- Mining on and off until 1963
- 1962: Large accident. 21 killed, led to Government crisis in 1963
- Polar expeditions from 1925-1928
- Research activities from 1967 (ESRO)





# Living at 79 N





Ny-Ålesund



Polar bears are exotic visitors

Thank you for your attention

