

Yamal Nenets Film Series: Reusing Fieldwork Material
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The presentation will showcase and discuss an ongoing audiovisual project focused on the Yamal Nenets' nomadic reindeer pastoralism. The project is based on film footage recorded during three months of ethnographic fieldwork in a reindeer herding brigade of the Yar-Sale sovkhoz in 1999. The goal is to create a 12 to 15-part film series that delves into the everyday life of Nenets reindeer herders during the calving period in spring. The individual films, ranging from 15 to 70 minutes, will depict the herders and their families caring for reindeer, relocating camps, and performing rituals and daily tasks.

The presentation aims to demonstrate an approach to continuing anthropological research on Indigenous minorities in Russia given the current geopolitical situation, which impedes physical presence in the field. It will explore the possibilities and risks of reusing previously collected audiovisual data from anthropological, technological and ethical perspectives.