



# MOUNT EVEREST FOUNDATION

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BRITISH MOUNTAINEERING COUNCIL

## SUMMARY REPORT FORM

### from an MEF and/or BMC SUPPORTED EXPEDITION

Support for an expedition is offered on condition that you submit detailed reports to the MEF and/or BMC. To assist in fulfilling this commitment, it is requested that you fill in this form and return (preferably by E-mail) to the secretary (ies) of the organisation(s) within four weeks of return from the expedition. Please expand/contract the spaces in this form as required. Include or attach at least one good digital photo of your main route, with the line of your route marked.

1 - Name of Expedition: BRAISVART—Between Receding Arctic Icefields: Svartisen 2017

2 - Expedition Leader/Organiser: Paul Weber  
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3 - MEF reference: **17-36** BMC reference: N/A

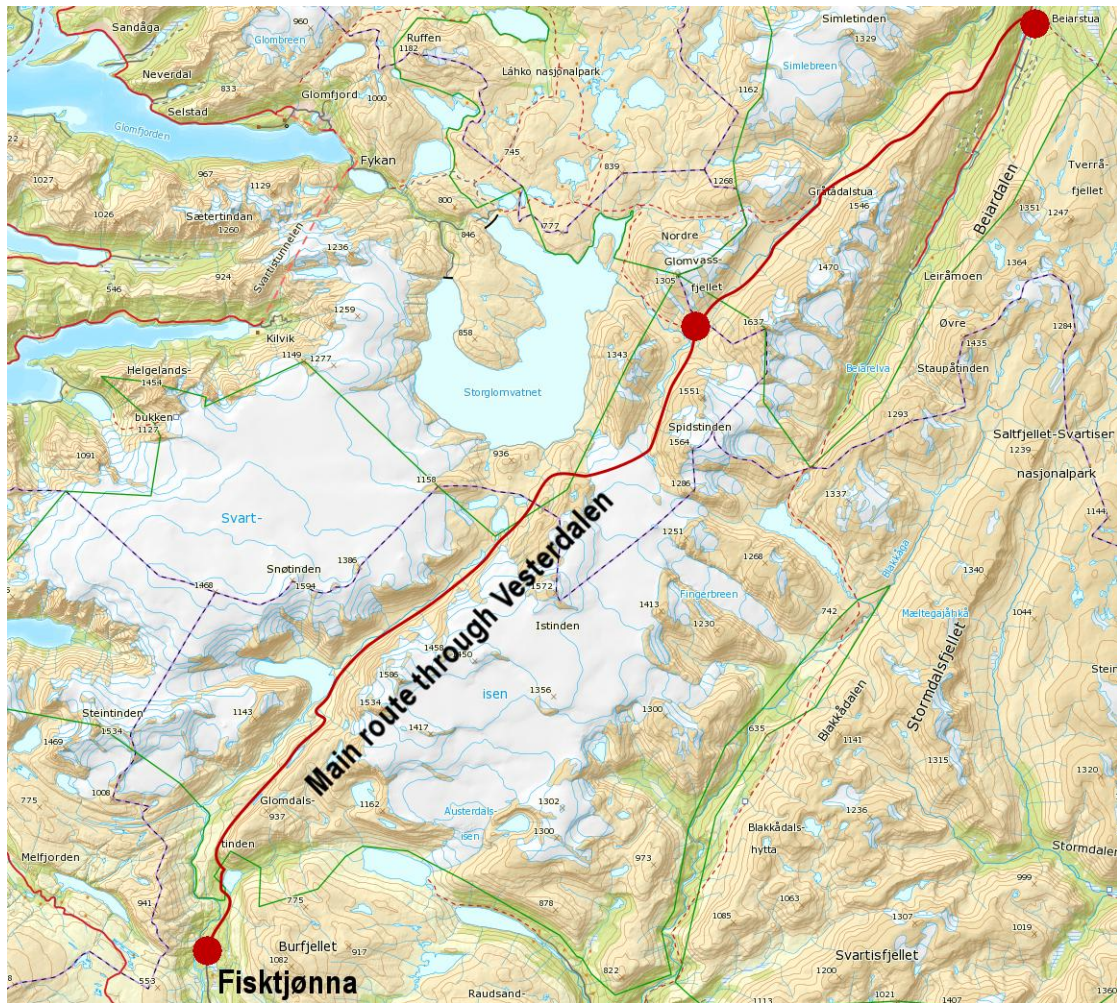
4 - Country/Region: Northern (Arctic) Norway, Saltfjellet Mountains–Svartisen ice cap

5 - Names of all expedition members, indicating leader, climbing members, and support:

Paul Weber (Leader)  
Lauren Knight (Expedition member)

6 - Original objective(s) of expedition – mountaineering / scientific / medical, include location of objective (or study area) with indication of special points of interest (e.g. ‘first ascent of NW Ridge’) and heights of peaks:

Scientific with exploratory element – The objective of the research expedition was to (1) find the best route through the Vesterdalen valley in Arctic Norway, which separates the western and eastern Svartisen icefields (see map below), and (2) collect valuable scientific data relating to the behaviour of the two icefields since the Little Ice Age (~AD 1750).



7 - Overall dates of expedition (e.g. 'March-June 2015'), showing time spent on approach, climbing, and return:

July-August 2017

8 - Give the following details for each route climbed or attempted:

Name of mountain/crag, altitude, estimated route length, dates, grade, style (eg alpine, fixed rope), whether first ascent, successful or not, high point reached, reason for retreat (if applicable), weather conditions, and names of climbers:

N/A

9 - Any other relevant comments (permits, liaison officer, etc):

N/A

10 - Expected date of submission of Final Report:

A full final report will be submitted electronically by **1 September** of the year following the award. (This is the standard deadline used by the Royal Geographical Society (RGS with IBG) for the submission of final grant reports. The time is needed to analyse, synthesise and interpret the scientific data collected during the expedition.)