

# RALPH GIERHARDS

ANTIQUES / FINE ART



## **"Alert Polar Bear with Two Cubs"**

Circa: 1917

26 x 35.5 cm

10.2362204724409 x 10.2362204724409"

1917

26 x 35.5 cm (10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> x 14 inches)

Germany

Signed and dated: Richard Friese 16.8. (19)17

Richard Friese

(Gumbinnen 1854 - 1918 Berlin)

Gouache

In 1898, Richard Friese accompanied researchers on the German "Helgoland Expedition" to Spitsbergen to study polar bears. He portrayed the animals in his photographs and paintings.

### **Literature:**

Andreas Gautschi, Werner Siemers, H. G. Vollmer-Verheyen, Richard Friese – his life – his art, Edition Nimrod, Verlag J. Neumann-Neudamm, 2013